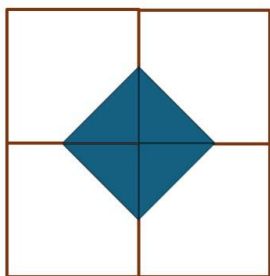


# January & February 2025

## Block of the Month



### Materials Needed:

Fabric estimates: Background 1 yard plus optional 5" border (3/4 yard) and Binding (3/4 yard) = roughly 2 1/2 yards. Approximately 1/2 yard each of 2-5 other colors.

You will also need:

Foundation paper or freezer paper

Cardboard for templates

Pencil

Removable fabric markers

Rotary cutter & cutting mat

Rulers: straight and one that helps you make angled cuts. I would suggest both a larger one and one of about 4 1/2 inches

Spray starch

Sewing machine

Iron

### Instructions:

Block One: You are going to make (32) 2" diamond blocks. Each of these consists of 4" x 1-3/4" background blocks. In one corner of each of the background blocks, place a 1-inch contrast block, right sides together. Draw a line in pencil diagonally across the 1" block. Stitch on this line. Trim away the corner 1/4" away from the sewing line and press. Each square should then be 1 1/2". Practice with larger pieces if you are confused. Sew 4 squares together to get a diamond pattern.

