

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Mystery Quilt

The final instructions were provided in May, so please complete your Mystery Quilt top and bring it to the June meeting for a special "Show and Share". Claire and I are excited to see how they all turned out!

Jar Block Raffle

During the guild meetings in June and August, we will have Jar Block kits that will include the background and lid fabrics to create one Jar Block. You get to pick fabric from your stash for the jar shape and "contents".

This will be a raffle. Your name will be entered into the raffle for every Jar Block you turn in. During the September guild meeting, we will draw the name of the lucky quilter who will win all the blocks. Blocks can be turned in early, but no later than the guild meeting on Thursday, September 12th. Have fun making these cute blocks!

JAR BLOCK INSTRUCTIONS

Please pick up a kit at the Block of the Month table during the June or August meeting. Each kit has the background and lid pieces to make 1 block.

This block will measure 8 ½" unfinished.

Pieces included in the kit:

- Two **A**: 2 ½" by 3" in background fabric
- One **B1**: 1 ½" by 3 ½" in background fabric
- One **B2**: 1 ½" by 3 ½" in lid fabric
- Two **C**: 2" by 6 ½" in background fabric
- Two **D**: 1 ½" squares in background fabric

Cutting: Since the kit provides the cut pieces of background and lid fabrics, you only need to provide and cut fabric for the jar shape. "Fill" your jars with your

favorite things such as buttons, cherry jam, fruits, vegetables, etc. The jar shape is represented in the diagram below by the letter "E".

E: Cut one 6 ½" by 5 ½" for jar, using fabric pulled from your stash.

Sewing:

Step 1: Sew B1 and B2 together lengthwise (see diagram below). Press towards the lid fabric (B2).

Step 2: Sew A squares onto each side of the B1/B2 piece. Press towards the B1 and B2 fabrics. This is Unit One.

Step 3: Sew the two D squares onto the top corners of the jar fabric (be mindful of directional fabric). To do this for each D square, draw a line from corner to corner on the wrong side of D. Then place one D square right sides together on top of E, and match the top corner of E with the corner of D, being sure that the drawn line is pointed towards the center of the top of E, as seen in the diagram. Pin as needed and sew on the line. Trim ¼" away from the stitching line to remove excess fabric, and press D back to create the angled top of the jar. Do this process again to the remaining top corner of E.

Step 4: Sew C rectangles to each side of E. Press towards the jar fabric. This is Unit Two.

Step 5: Sew Unit One to the top of Unit Two, being sure that the lid fabric is on top of the jar fabric. Press towards Unit Two.

