

MYSTERY QUILT PROJECT ASSEMBLY

Welcome to the final segment of the Mystery Quilt Project, the assembly of the quilt. We hope you have enjoyed this year's mystery quilt. Assemble all the monthly segments. We will be cutting a few extra joining pieces. It is helpful to read through the directions because there are some tips and options.

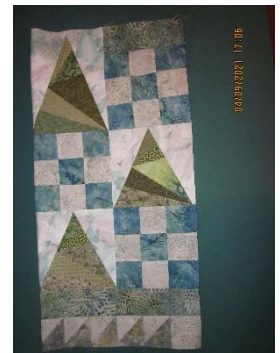
STEP #1: You will need to cut a 4 ½ inch square of fabric that coordinates with your flying geese blocks. The flying geese blocks from September will be sewn to the top and right side of the focal 24 ½ by 20 ½ inch block. **OPTION:** I put a phalange around my focal piece before adding the flying geese.

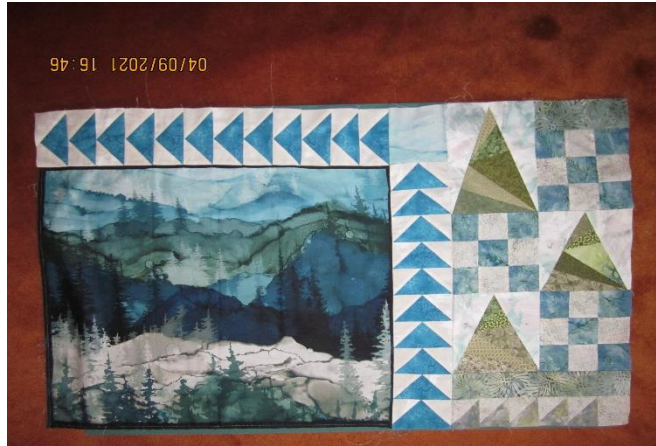
- a. Arrange the flying geese in the direction you wish them to travel.
- b. Sew the strip of 12 (twelve) flying geese to the top of the focal piece (Nov/Dec segment).
- c. To the top of the 10 flying geese strip add the 4 ½ inch square of fabric.
- d. Now sew this strip to the right side of the focal piece.
- e. This segment should now measure 28 ½ by 24 ½ inches with the seam allowance.



STEP #2: The pine tree (Oct) blocks and the Forest path (Mar) blocks will be assembled next.

- a. Cut a 2 ½ by 6 ½ inch rectangle that coordinates with the forest path blocks and sew it to the top of one of the Forest Path 9 patch blocks.
- b. The strip with the large pine tree block will be the first row in this segment.
- c. The second row will be the strip with the pine tree block on the right.
- d. The third row will be the strip with the pine tree block on the left.
- e. You will have a Forest path block either above or below the pine tree blocks when the three rows are sewn together.
- f. You will need a 2 ½ by 12 ½ inch rectangle that coordinates with the pine tree and forest path blocks.
- g. Sew the rectangle to the bottom of the pine tree/forest path segment.
- h. This portion of the quilt will measure 12 ½ by 22 ½ inches with seam allowance.
- i. Collect the half-square triangle section from February.
- j. Collect the half-square triangle segment with the 2 ½ inch square.
- k. Now sew this segment to the bottom of the Pine tree/Forest Path section of the quilt.
- l. This new segment should measure 12 ½ by 24 ½ inches.
- m. Sew this segment to the right side of the focal/flying geese segment of the quilt.
- n. You have completed the top portion of the mystery quilt.
- o. The top segment of the quilt should measure 24 ½ by 40 ½ inches with seam allowance.





Step #3: Teacup and strawberry block assembly.

- a. Sew the Teacup unit (Feb.) to the right side of the strawberry block (Jan.)
- b. This new unit should measure $14 \frac{1}{2}$ by $22 \frac{1}{2}$ inches.
- c. Cut a $2 \frac{1}{2}$ by $22 \frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle of fabric that coordinates with the Teacup/Strawberry blocks.
- d. **OPTION:** Instead of cutting a $22 \frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle I cut a $2 \frac{1}{2}$ inch square and sewed it to the end of a $2 \frac{1}{2}$ by $20 \frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle. I used the same fabric for the square that was used on the half-square triangle section sewn to the bottom of the pine tree/forest path segment.
- e. This strip of fabric will be sewn to the bottom of the teacup/strawberry unit.
- f. This segment of the quilt should measure $16 \frac{1}{2}$ by $22 \frac{1}{2}$ inches.



Step #4: Pinwheels and applique blocks.

- a. Sew the pinwheel strip to the left side of the parchment/quill block (Mar).
- b. This new segment should measure $16 \frac{1}{2}$ by $18 \frac{1}{2}$ inches with seam allowance.
- c. Sew your teacup/strawberry segment to the right side of this new pinwheel/applique segment.
- d. This is the bottom portion of the quilt project.
- e. The bottom portion should measure $16 \frac{1}{2}$ by $40 \frac{1}{2}$ inches. (The same width as the top 😊)





Step #5: Final Assembly

- a. Sew the bottom segment of the project to the top.
- b. The finished Mystery Quilt Project should measure 40 x 40 without the seam allowance.
- c. OPTION: I added a small border around my quilt. I thought it needed a frame.
- d. Your Murder Mystery Quilt top is complete.

DO YOU KNOW:

Who did it?

What was the murder weapon?

Where was the location?

Make sure you share your finished project to claim another ticket. Submit your answers to a Mystery Quilt Committee Member for the opportunity of receiving three additional tickets. The final chapter and drawing will be after the May meeting. We hope you enjoyed the journey.

Bev, Judy and Wendy