

Southern Comforters Block of the Month
April 2007
Spring Butterfly

This butterfly pattern is mainly pieced, but has an appliquéd body and embroidered antenna. Choose two fabrics for the butterfly – one for the upper wings and one for the lower that have at least a slight contrast. Choose a complementary background and a brown fabric for the body. You will also need a black embroidery thread and any materials to appliqué in whatever manner you choose.

Fabrics A (Upper body/wings of butterfly):

- Cut two 5 ½” squares
- Cut one 2 ½” x 5 ½” rectangle
- Cut one 2 ½” square
- Cut one 1 ½” x 2 ½” rectangle

Fabric B (lower body/wings of butterfly):

- Cut two 2 ½” x 4 ½” rectangles
- Cut one 2 ½” x 3 ½” rectangle
- Cut one 1 ½” x 2 ½” rectangle

Fabric C (Background):

- Cut one 5 ½” square
- Cut two 5 ½ x 2 ½” pieces
- Cute three 3 ½” squares

Fabric D (Butterfly body):

- Cut one body using the pattern given

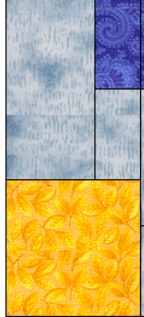
Step 1: Draw a diagonal line on two of the Fabric C 3 ½” squares. Place one on the top left corner of each of the Fabric A 5 ½” squares. Sew on the drawn line, trim seam to ¼” and press outward.



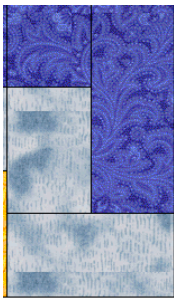
Step 2: Sew one 5 ½” x 2 ½” Fabric C rectangles to the unit from step 1. Sew this rectangle to the left of the square on one step 1 unit and to the right on the other, as shown and press:



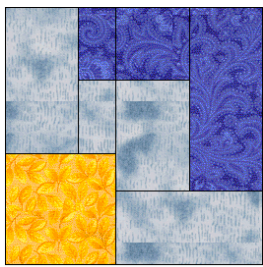
Step 3: Sew the 1 ½" x 2 ½" Fabric A rectangle to the top of the 1 ½" x 2 ½" Fabric B rectangle as shown and press. With the Fabric A rectangle on the top and the Fabric B on the bottom, sew one of the 2 ½" x 4 ½" Fabric B rectangles to the left of this unit and press. Sew one 3 ½" Fabric C square to the bottom of this unit and press.



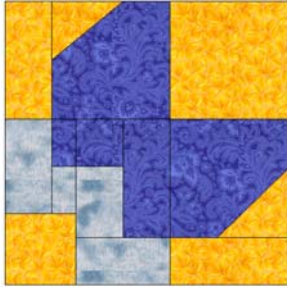
Step 4: Sew one 2 ½" Fabric A square to the top of one Fabric B 2 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle and press. Sew one Fabric A 2 ½" x 5 ½" rectangle to the right of this unit. Sew the 2 ½" x 4 ½" Fabric B piece to the bottom of this unit and press:



Step 5: Sew the Step 3 unit to the left of the Step 4 unit and press:

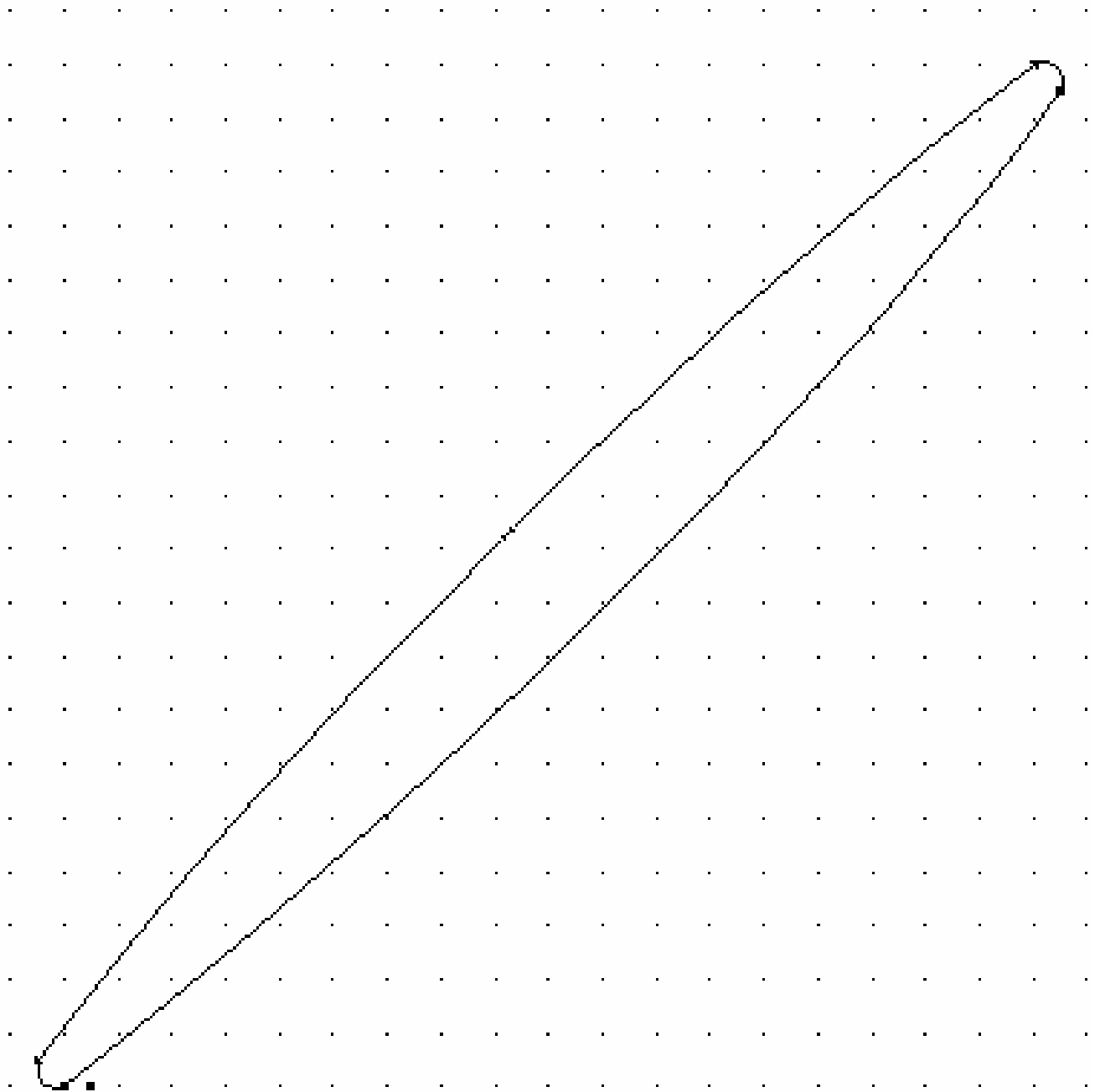


Step 6: Arrange and sew the units together as shown. The remaining Fabric C 5 ½" square is the upper right corner in the block.



Step 7: Using pattern below as a guide, free hand the antenna and embroider with a black or dark brown outline stitch. Note: The picture below is not to scale so you should not trace it..

Body Pattern:



Guide for Antenna:

