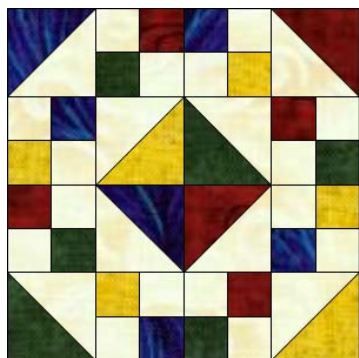


Southern Comforters
Block of the Month
September 2008
Scattered Jewels



Here's a great one for using up scraps. Look for warm versions of these four dark colors – BLUE, RED, GOLD, and GREEN. Put them in a warm background of CREAM. We'll make this one a 12" finished block. It's simply half square triangles and four-patches, but be careful with the color placement!

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

NAVY BLUE (A) – one 4" square
 one 2" x 8" rectangle
 WINE RED (B) – one 4" square
 one 2" x 8" rectangle
 HARVEST GOLD (C) – one 4" square
 one 2" x 8" rectangle

HUNTER GREEN (D) – one 4" square
 one 2" x 8" rectangle
 CREAM (Background) – four 4" squares
 four 2" x 8" rectangles

***You can also use individual 2" squares instead of rectangles to make it truly scrappy. Or try mixing and matching on multiple blocks.*

***The squares can be 3 7/8" rather than 4", but it's easier to cut 4" strips.*

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Make eight half-square triangles by placing your CREAM squares right sides together with each of your four DARK colors. Mark a diagonal line on the cream, and sew a scant 1/4" from each side of the line. Cut them in half and press toward the dark. Square up the resulting squares to 3 1/2".
2. Place each of your DARK COLOR rectangles right sides together with a CREAM rectangle. Sew along the long side. Press toward the dark. Cut each resulting strip set into four 2" pieces.
3. Match NAVY BLUE and HARVEST GOLD pieces into four four-patches. Pay attention to your placement before you press, so that the next seam will nestle.
4. Carefully layout each 3 1/2" block as shown so that colors are scattered and pressed seams will nestle. Sew each corner of the block as a four-patch and sew the four patches together.
5. Measure to make sure your block is at least 12 1/2" square, but leave the trimming to the winner of the block. Sign it, please!

