




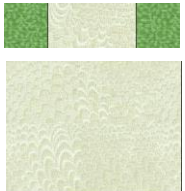
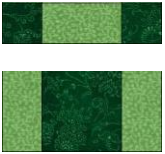

Southern Comforters
Block of the Month
May 2009
Tricky Puss

A greater blender block, this month's block will fit nicely between those star blocks or appliqué blocks you make. We'll use DARK GREEN for the central chain, surrounded by a MEDIUM GREEN, with a LIGHT background. Construction is essentially a 9-patch, but you have to make each patch first. The block will finish at 12".

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

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| four LIGHT 3 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles (A) | eight MEDIUM GREEN 2 1/2" squares (F) |
| four LIGHT 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles (B) | one MEDIUM GREEN 1 1/2" x 12 1/2" strip (G) |
| five DARK GREEN 2 1/2" squares (C) | eight MEDIUM GREEN 1 1/2" squares (H) |
| one DARK GREEN 1 1/2" x 12 1/2" strip (D) | four MEDIUM GREEN 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles (I) |
| four DARK GREEN 1 1/2" squares (E) | |

ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS

1. Make mini 4-patches from the DARK GREEN strip (D) and the MEDIUM GREEN strip (G) by sewing the two strips together lengthwise, cross cutting eight 1 1/2" pieces, and sewing two pieces together with colors opposing to create four 4-patches. Press to the DARK GREEN. 
2. Make 4 1/2" 4-patches with the above mini 4-patch and two 2 1/2" MEDIUM GREEN squares (F) and one 2 1/2" DARK GREEN square (C). Make sure that the DARK GREENS form a diagonal line for your corner patches. Press to the MEDIUM GREEN.
3. Sew a 1 1/2" MEDIUM GREEN square (H) to each end of the four LIGHT 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles (B). Press to the LIGHT. Sew one patch to the long side of each of the four LIGHT 3 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles (A) to make 4 1/2" patches. Press to the LIGHT. 
4. Sew a MEDIUM GREEN rectangle (I) to either side of the remaining 2 1/2" DARK GREEN square (C). Press to the DARK GREEN. 
5. Sew a 1 1/2" DARK GREEN square (E) to each end of the two remaining MEDIUM GREEN rectangles (I). Press to the DARK GREEN.
6. Sew the three pieces above together to make a 4 1/2" 9-patch as shown on the left. 
7. Sew the nine patches you've made into the block pictured above. 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!

Tricky Puss looks nice on point or horizontally alternated with another block.

