

Kate's Block

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
February, 2018

Black/White and Bright print fabrics.

Block seams are ¼".
Pattern by Anita Konzak Turley,
inspiration from Kate McKinn.

This makes an 13" unfinished block.



Focus – Bright print fabric – any color
Two – 5" square blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 5" blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" blocks



Background – Black/White print
Two – 5" square blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 5" blocks
Two – 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" blocks

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Kate McKinn is still in touch with the Guild members by posting on our Guild page in Facebook. I am so happy for that because she posted a photo of the cutest block from a Pinterest post. So, rather than trying to find all of the details and then copying, I am writing (and tested) directions for this block of the month, now named Kate's Block.

1) Sew one 2 ¾" x 5" focus fabric block to each of the background 5" square blocks. Repeat the same sewing a background 2 ¾" x 5" strip to each of the focus 5" square blocks. Press to the dark.

2) With the 2 ¾" strip on the top, add one 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" strip to the **right** side of the block. Repeat the same sewing a background 2 ¾" x 7 ¼" strip to the right side of the blocks. You will have a total of four (4) blocks, with two focus outlined (on two sides) with background fabric and two background outlined with focus fabrics (see figure 1). Trim each to 7 ¼" square, if needed.

3) Cut diagonally across each block so the square block is on the bottom of the cut (see figure 2).

4) Using opposite tops and bottoms, sew the focus half to a focus stripped block (see figure 3). Repeat for all remaining blocks. Each block will primarily be either the focus or the background fabric with the opposing fabric as triangle pieces across the diagonal. Trim to 6 ¾" (see figure 4 – I added a figure to show the diagonal on the rule; in my case, my diagonal was 6 ¾" but there were straggler fabric sticking out on the ends. If needed, center the rule to trim all edges without too much off one side).

5) With the squares centered in opposing colors, sew the blocks together to make a row, and then again to make the block (see figure 5). Trim to 13". Have fun making this block!!!!

Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4	Figure 5
				