

Bow Tie Wreath Block

This makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.

Calvert County Quilt Guild
Block of the Month
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Block seams are accurate ¼".

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Reference – www.quilterscache.com

	**Color 1** - 4" x 36" strip (or green scraps) Cut resulting Eight (8) 3 ½" blocks Eight (8) 2" blocks
	**Color 2** - one 3 ½" x 28" strip Cut resulting eight (8) 3 ½" blocks

Another time of the year that I absolutely love is the holidays and spending time with family. The block this month uses a very traditional bow tie block, this time with a twist to have it shape up like a wreath. Used is green symbolic of the fir boughs. I can imagine a quilt with all of the blocks finishing as a great project, but then I can also image placemats or decorative pillows using this block. And then there is embellishments – buttons, ribbons, favorite sayings, keepsake signatures, or embroidery! What we are looking for in the BOM is only the block…but I would love to see the show and tell on other projects!!!

1) Cut **Color 1,** two (2) 4" x 4" squares cut further into eight 2" squares. Trim remaining strip to 3 ½" wide, then cut eight 3 ½" x 3 ½" squares (Figure 1).

2) Cut **Color 2**, 3 ½" x 28" strip into eight 3 ½" squares (Figure 2).

3) Place a small **Color 1,** 2" square atop a **Color 2**, 3 ½" square, right sides together, and edges lined up with one corner of the **Color 2** square. On the back of the top SMALL square, lightly draw a diagonal from the edge to edge corners, then sew ON this marked line. Cut off the excess seam allowance to ¼". Press the small square open. Trim to 3 ½" as needed. Make a total of eight (8) units (Figure 3)

4) Piece four sets of four blocks to make a bow (each bow is seen in Figure 4) using two units completed in Step 3 and two **Color 1** squares. Once each unit is pieces, add a second unit to the first creating a half-circle form, and then finally sew each row together for the full circle.

5) Piece the rows together and press to one side. Trim block to finish at 12 ½".

Note – the figures below were used from quiltscache.com and do not reflect a single color as in this pattern.

Inspiration	Figure 1	Figure 2	Figure 3	Figure 4
				