



*Tuning My Heart Quilts*

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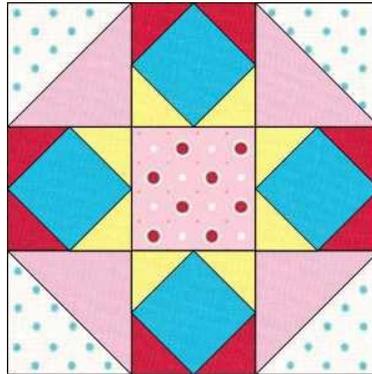
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*Block 2 - Raspberry Cheesecake*

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## Block 2: Raspberry Cheesecake



Finished Size: 12" x 12"

It is time for Block 2 of our BOM. This block goes together easily with quick Half-square Triangles and No-waste Flying Geese. I hope you will consider joining my Facebook Sew Along Group and share a photo of your finished block. There are quilters of all levels sewing along with me and I would love to have you join us.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/tuningmyheartsewalong>

A few tips before we get started:

- It often helps to press and starch your fabrics before cutting to size.
- Label your pieces as you cut them. I use a Scrabble tile to set on my pieces after cutting them out, but sticky notes also work well.
- Use a slightly shorter stitch length. (2.2-2.3 which is approximately 11 stitches per inch)
- Use a ¼" seam allowance.
- Take your time, sewing slowly, especially over bulky seams.

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## Cutting Directions



From Background fabric cut:

A-(cut 2)  $5\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{8}$ "

From Pink fabric:

B-(cut 2)  $5\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{8}$ "

C-(cut 1)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

From Blue fabric cut:

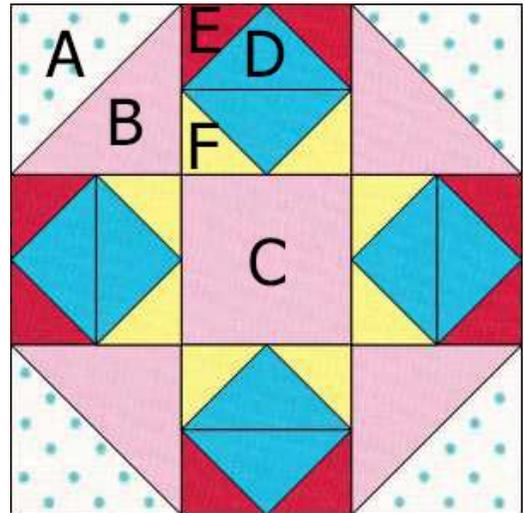
D-(cut 2)  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "

From Red fabric cut:

E-(cut 4)  $3\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{8}$ "

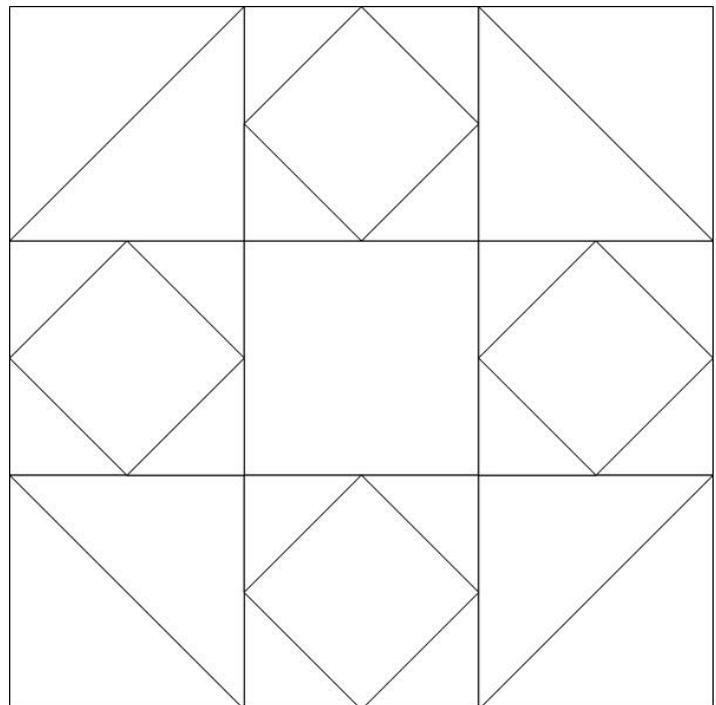
From Yellow fabric cut:

F-(cut 4)  $3\frac{1}{8}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{8}$ "



**Note:** If you are making the queen size quilt you will need to make two of these blocks.

### Color it Your Way

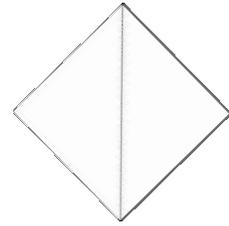




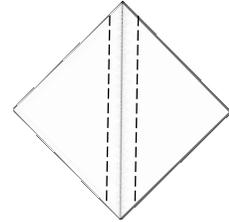
## Making the Half-square Triangles



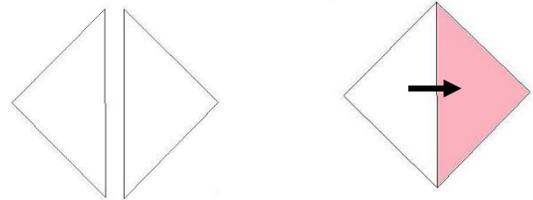
(1) Draw a diagonal line on the back of each A square.  
Place the A squares on the B squares right sides together.



(2) Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from each side of the drawn line.



(3) Cut apart on drawn line and press towards B as indicated by arrows.



(4) Trim units to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".

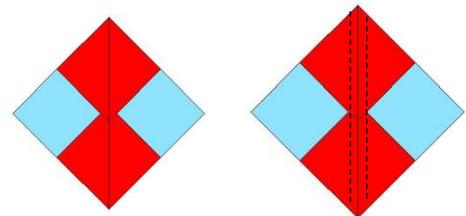


## Making the Flying Geese

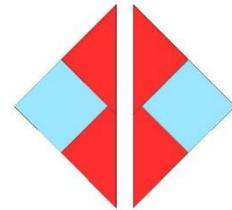


You will be making two different Flying Geese combinations. Each begins with a large D square in combination with either the E or F squares.

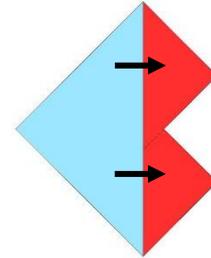
(1) Place two E squares on top of one D square as shown.  
Draw a diagonal line across both E squares.  
Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from each side of the drawn line.



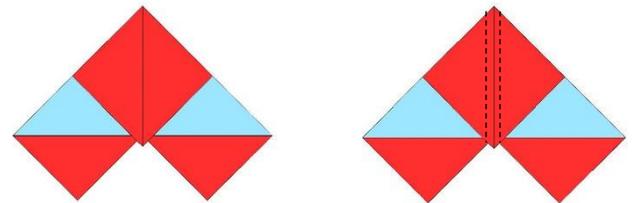
(2) Cut apart on the drawn line.



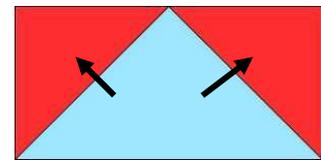
(3) Press towards the E triangles as shown by arrows. You will have two of these units.



(4) Lay another E square on top of the units just made, as shown. Draw a diagonal line down the middle and sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from each side of the line.



(5) Cut apart on the drawn line and press towards the small triangles. You will have four Flying Geese units.



(6) Trim the Flying Geese units to  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Line up the  $2\frac{1}{4}$ " mark on your ruler with the tip of the "goose" which is circled in the photo. You need  $\frac{1}{4}$ " for a seam allowance above that mark.

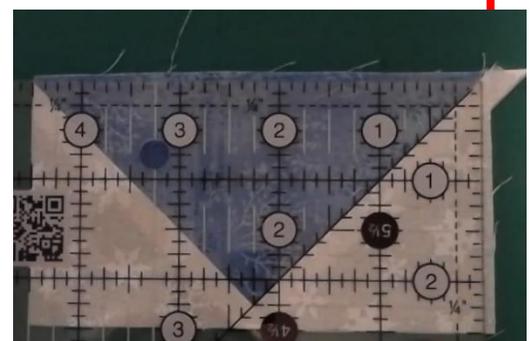
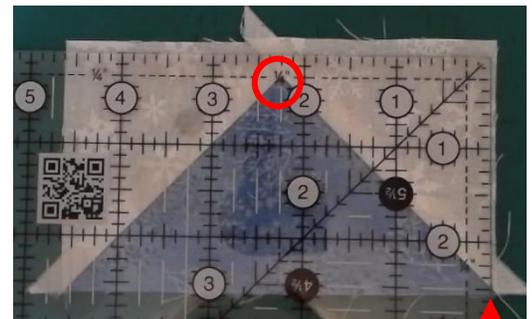
Line up the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " mark where the diagonal seam comes together indicated in photo with arrow.

Trim the right side and top.

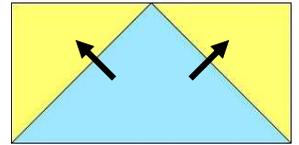
Rotate the unit to trim the remaining two sides.

Line up the  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " line and the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " line with the edges that you just trimmed. The diagonal line on your ruler will lay on the seam line now. The  $2\frac{1}{4}$ " mark should fall at the point of the "goose" again with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance beyond it. Trim.

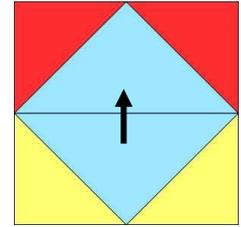
There is a video tutorial available on my website which you may find helpful.



(7) Repeat this process with the other D square and the F squares to make four more Flying Geese units.



(8) Join the Flying Geese units into pairs as shown to create four Diamond-in-a-square block. I like to use a little dab of glue from a glue stick to keep those diagonal seams lined up as I sew. Press as indicated.



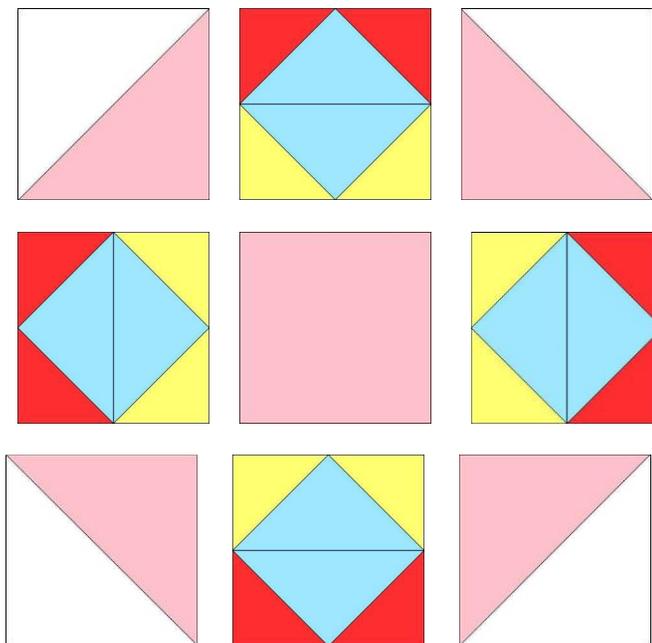
These Diamond-in-a-square units should now measure 4 1/2" x 4 1/2".



## Putting the Block Together



(1) Lay out the Half-square Triangles, the Diamond-in-a-square units and the C square as shown.



(2) Join the units into rows pressing as indicated by arrows. Matching the seams, pin as necessary. I sew with the Diamond squares on top. This way I can see the point where I want my needle to land. See figure 1. I sew very slowly over that seam and aim for my needle to land right at the tip of the diamond where all of the seams come together.

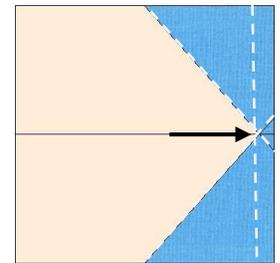
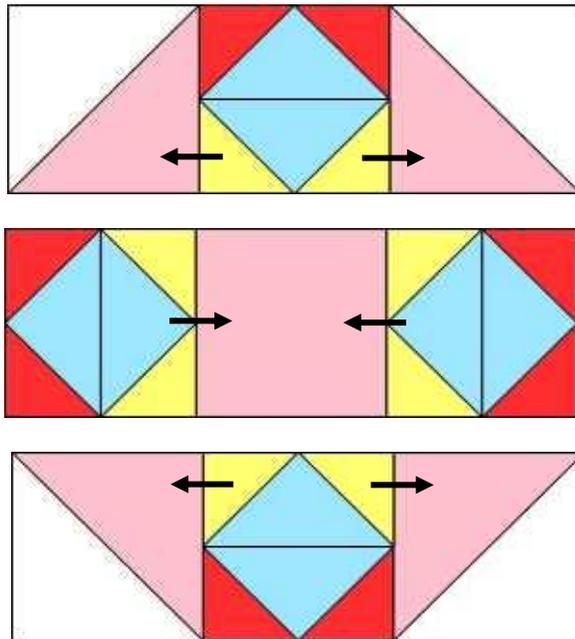
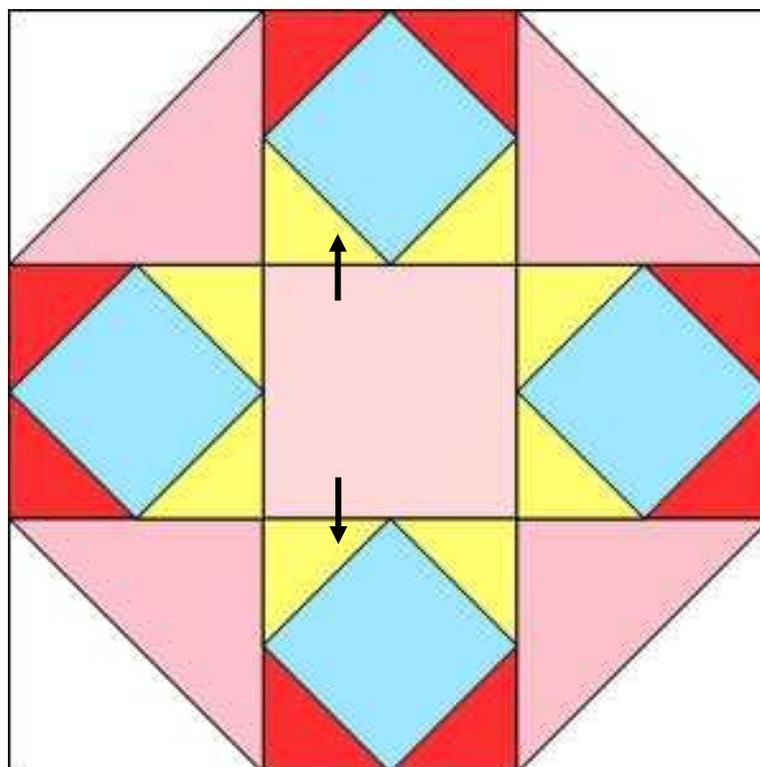


Figure 1

(3) Join the rows together to complete the block. Press as indicated by arrows.



The block measures 12 1/2" x 12 1/2".

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