



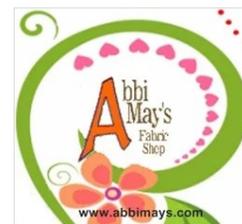
“Semiquincentennial”

2026 Block of the Month Quilt

An Original Quilt Design by TK Harrison—Owner of BOMquilts.com

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“Semiquincentennial” is an appliquéd & a traditionally pieced block of the month (BOM) quilt! Using the Timeless Treasures & Northcott fabrics from Abbi May’s Fabric Shop!

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Finished quilt = 56” x 72”

Finished Blocks for Quilt = 15” Square

Unfinished Blocks for Quilt = 15 1/2” Square

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All seams a scant 1/4”

Press in the direction of the arrows

Read ALL Instructions Before Beginning

There are NINE (9) different quilt blocks that make up the 2026 “Semiquincentennial” BOM quilt. They can get confusing if you aren’t used to sewing quilt blocks together.

The quilt blocks could have any variety of: Square in a Squares, Flying Geese, Snowball Corners, Half-Square Triangles (HSTs), Split-Half-Square Triangles (Split-HSTs) and/or Quarter-Square Triangles in them.

Some of them are very easy to sew together. While others are more difficult. Refer to this tutorial as often as necessary, to sew the quilt blocks together correctly.



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Flying Geese Tutorial

You’ll see on my instructions to either cut some squares one time or two times. Both of them diagonally, corner-to-corner. When piecing a Flying Geese for a quilt block, follow **Diagram #1** on the left first (sewing ONE (1), smaller triangle to a larger triangle). Then follow **Diagram #2** in the center (sewing the larger second smaller triangle to the newly created smaller triangle + the larger triangle).

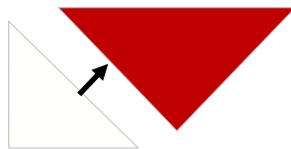


Diagram #1

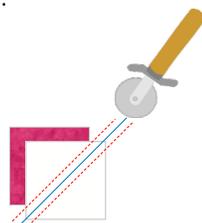


Diagram #2

 **Quilt Note:** If you’re making a lot of quilt blocks, that has a lot of Flying Geese in it, sometimes is best if you press all of your Flying Geese seams open. This cuts down on the bulky seams in the center of the Flying Geese!

Half-Square Triangle (HST) Tutorial

Place the lighter fabric square on the darker square fabric (right sides together) and sew 1/4" on EACH SIDE of the line you drew (Figure #1). Then cut the Half-Square Triangles (HST’s) apart ON the line you drew. You’ll end up with TWO (2) Half-Square Triangles (Figure #2). Press toward the darkest fabric. Clip your corners (aka dog ears).



HST - Figure #1



HST Figure #2

 **Quilt Note:** When making Half Square Triangles, try cutting your squares 1/4" or 1/2" larger than the pattern calls for, then trim them down to the exact size needed for your quilt block.

This pattern has been tested, to the best of our ability. If your block does not come out the size shown, please try adjusting your needle position to the appropriate position (left or right) to see if you get the correct block size.



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Quarter-Square Triangle (QST) Tutorial

First make a Quarter-Square Triangle (QST). Place the lighter square on the darker square (right sides together) & sew 1/4" on EACH SIDE of the line you drew (shown in **blue** in **Figure #1** below). Then cut the Half-Square Triangles apart ON the line you drew (shown in **red** in **Figure #1** below). You'll end up with TWO (2) Half-Square Triangles. Press toward the darkest fabric. Clip your corners (aka dog ears).



HST - Figure #1



HST Finished

On the back side of one of the QST's, draw a diagonal line, corner-to-corner ONE (1) time (shown in **red** in **Figure #2** below). Nestle the TWO (2) QST squares together (opposite colors nestled against opposite colors) & sew 1/4" on each side of the line you drew (shown in **blue** in **Figure #2** below). Cut them apart ON the line that you drew (shown in **red** in **Figure #2** below).



QST - Figure #2



QST Finished

Once you've cut them apart, then on the back side, you want to **swirl the center seam**. This is done by popping open the first couple of stitches. This allows it to open & get the square to lay very flat (read: the seams will lay down better). Check out this short tutorial to see how to swirl a QST: <https://www.bonjourquilts.com/seamswirl/>. Then trim it down to the exact size that you need for the quilt blocks.

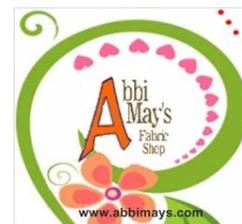


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Snowball Corners Tutorial

In my cutting instructions, there will be an instruction to cut some squares smaller & some larger. The smaller squares will say, “On the back side of the square draw a diagonal line, corner-to-corner, ONE (1) time” (shown in **red** in **Figure #1 & #2** below). When piecing a portion of a quilt block that calls for **Snowball Corners**, gather up the larger square & the TWO (2) or FOUR (4) smaller squares associated with it. With right sides together, line up the smaller square so that it is perfectly even with the corner & sides of the larger square. Then sew **ON** the line that you drew (shown in **blue** in **Figures #1 & #2** below).

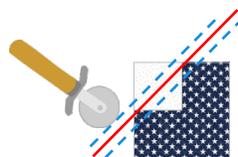


Figure #1



Figure #2



Snowball
Corners
Finished

Repeat the same process for the remaining ONE (1) or THREE (3) corners (**Figure #2** above & the finished is shown above). Press towards the darkest fabrics & clip the corners (aka dog ears).

Split-Half-Square Triangle (Split-HST) Tutorial

In my cutting instructions, there will be some squares cut in ONE (1) time, or some squares cut TWO (2) times. Both of them diagonally, corner to corner. When piecing a Split-HST, sew the TWO (2) smaller squares together first (**Figure #1**) & then sew the larger square to the TWO (2) smaller squares (**Figure #2**). Press toward the darkest fabric. Clip your corners (aka dog ears).



Figure #1



Figure #2



Split-HST
Finished

Quilt Note: When making Split-HSTs, try cutting your squares 1/4" or 1/2" larger than the pattern calls for, then trim them down to the exact size needed for your quilt block.