

Surfside Quilters Guild

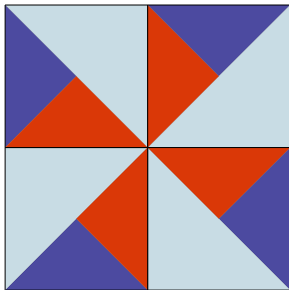
A Block A Month
December 2009

Whirligigs

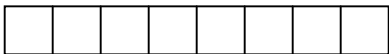
9 1/2" unfinished pieced pinwheel block

Surfside Quilters Guild is up! Each month make blocks for your own Surf's Up sampler quilt. This month make four Whirligig blocks. Following the picture tutorial will simplify the construction of this block.

<http://sites.google.com/site/surfsidequiltersguild/home/block-a-month>



A-1



A-2



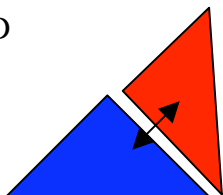
B-1 and C-1



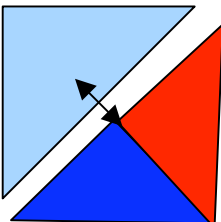
B-2 and C-2



D



E



Cut the following fabrics: If using reds and blues, wash to prevent bleeding.

- A. Cut a 5 1/2" x 44" strip of sky blue fabric.
 1. From the strip cut eight squares 5 1/2" x 5 1/2". (See A-1)
 2. Cut each square in half diagonally. (See A-2)
- B. Cut one 6" x 24" strip of red fabric (or color of your choice).
 1. From the strip, cut four squares 6" x 6". (See B-1)
 2. Cut each square diagonally BOTH ways. (See B-2)
- C. Cut one 6" x 24" strip of dark blue fabric (or color of your choice).
 1. From the strip, cut four squares 6" x 6". (See C-1)
 2. Cut each square diagonally BOTH ways. (See C-2)

Sew block: Lay out all pieces to form pinwheel as shown in top diagram.

- A. Sew one red triangle to one blue triangle as shown in diagram D. Press towards darkest fabric.
- B. Sew one sky blue triangle to the pair of red/blue triangles as shown in diagram E. Press towards darkest fabric. Square this unit up to 5" x 5".
- C. Repeat steps A and B with remaining three units.
- D. Lay out the four units and sew the top two units together with a scant 1/4" seam. Press seam towards darkest fabric.
- E. Sew bottom two units together with a scant 1/4" seam and press towards the darkest fabric.
- F. Sew the two rows together with a scant 1/4" seam making sure the seams butt up together at the center. Press seam either direction.
- G. Press block with steam or starch and square up to 9 1/2".

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