

Trees Please: Block of the Month

May 2011

Putting the Quilt together

Materials:

Background: all connector strips will be cut 3 1/2" wide. You will need about 90" cut into various lengths. Be a little generous when cutting, you can always trim. Cut two - 9 1/2", two - 12 1/2", one - 18 1/2", one - 15 1/2", one - 11 1/2"

Directions for Assembly:

1. Use the diagram and picture provided to lay out and join your blocks.
2. This is just one method to construct the quilt. Lay out your blocks like the diagram, fill in open areas with connector strips. Sew two connector strips to January's Button Tree. Sew the Yo-Yo Tree block, the Button Tree block and the Fruit Tree block together.
3. Sew two connector blocks to Grandma's Tree. Sew it to the Bird Condo. Attach Tree of Life block.
4. Sew the Acorn and Leaf block to the Maple Leaf block. Attach the Bird's on a Branch block. Add two connector blocks and then the Topiary block.
5. Sew the final connector to the Pine Tree block. Sew together with the large block from Step 4.
6. Re-lay the quilt using the diagram. Sew together the large block from Step 3 to the Step 5 block.
7. Add the Step 2 block.
8. Press gently.

Embellishment:

1. Add borders, as few or as many as you like.
2. Add tree branches, different leaves, or new birds to the borders.
3. Quilt using leaf motifs and variegated thread.

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Remember to bring your pieced Block-of-the-Month quilt to the June 2011 general meeting to enter the \$100 drawing.

