## A Quilting Life Block of the Month 2018: August

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## Cutting:

| July: Home Circle | $\mathbf{6 1 / 4 "}$ Block (finished) | $\mathbf{1 2 1 / 2 "}$ Block (finished) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Background | 20 squares $13 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 13 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ | 20 squares $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ |
| Medium \#1 | 4 squares $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ | 4 squares $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |
| Medium \#2 | 5 squares $13 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 1334^{\prime \prime}$ | 5 squares $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ |

Note: Directions are given for the $121 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ block with $61 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ block measurement information in parenthesis.

Note that I used a different color center square in this version of my block; however, you can use one fabric or more to make it scrappy!

## Make the large corner units:

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of 16 background squares $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}\left(13 / 4 \prime \times 13 / 4^{\prime \prime}\right)$.
2. Place a background square right sides together with a print square $51 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 51 / 2^{\prime \prime}\left(3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}\right)$. Sew on the drawn line. Press out and trim the seam allowance to $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$. (Diagram 1)
3. Repeat on the remaining corners. (Diagram 2) Make 4.

Make the side rectangle units:

1. Sew a background square $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}\left(13 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 13 / 4^{\prime \prime}\right)$ to a print square $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}\left(13 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 13 / 4^{\prime \prime}\right)$. Press seam toward the print square. (Diagram 3). Make 4.


## Assemble the Block:

1. Arrange the four large corner units, the four side rectangle units, and the remaining print square $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$ $\left(1^{3 / 4} \times 1^{3 / 4}\right)$ as shown in the block diagram.
2. Sew the units together in three rows of three units each.
3. Press the block well. I pressed the top and bottom rows to the rectangle units and the center row seams toward the background squares so that all of the seams would nest.
