BH4 Block 18 - Crowning Glory<br>By Betsy Chutchian



Color/shading options.

## Piecing \& Cutting Notes:

- To trim the QSTs to size, add $1 / 4$ " to the $C$ and D squares. Trim to the size of the F square.


## Cutting Instructions:

9" Finished Block:
A - (2) squares - $37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 37 / 8^{\prime \prime}$
41/2" Finished Block:
A - (2) squares $-238^{\prime \prime} \times 23 /{ }^{\prime \prime}$
B - (4) squares - $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$
C - (2) squares $-41 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 4^{\prime \prime}$
D - (2) squares $-41 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 41_{4}^{\prime \prime}$
E - (4) squares - $238^{\prime \prime} \times 23 /{ }^{\prime \prime}$
F - (1) square - $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

B - (4) squares - $114^{\prime \prime} \times 11 / 4^{\prime \prime}$
C - (2) squares - $234^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{3} / 4^{\prime \prime}$
D - (2) squares - $23 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 23 / 4^{\prime \prime}$
E - (4) squares - $158^{\prime \prime} \times 158^{\prime \prime}$
F - (1) square - $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$

All seams are a scant $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ unless specified otherwise.

## Assembly

1. On the wrong side of the $C$ squares, draw a line from one corner to the opposing corner. With right sides together, align a C square to a D square. Stitch a scant $1 / 4 / 1$ on both sides of the line. Cut the square apart on the drawn line. Trim seam to $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ and press the seam to the darker triangle.

- The HSTs will measure $37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 37 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ or $21 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 21 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.


2. One the wrong side of one HST, draw a line from one corner to the opposing corner. With right sides together, align the second HST with the C triangles on opposite sides - C to D. Stitch a scant $1 / 4$ " on both sides of the line. Cut the square apart on the line. Trim seam to $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ and press the seam to one side.


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4. Lay out the pieces/parts as shown.

5. Join the units to make three rows. Press the seams in the direction of the arrows - or press them open.

6. Join the rows to complete the block. Press the seams in the direction of the arrows - or press them open.

- 9 " block - block will measure $91 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 91 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.
- $41122^{\prime \prime}$ block - block will measure $5^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$.


Stitching with Betsy...
The quilting tip I wish I'd learned when I first started is... twisting or flipping seam intersections. I started quilting in 1980, learned that tip in early 1990's.
My best advice to new quilters is to... Take your time, don't hurry through a project, so you can enjoy every step of the quilt making journey.
When it comes to quilting/sewing tools, don't get between me and my... Olfa frosted rulers!!! Don't tell anyone, but when I'm sewing, I don't worry about... sewing over pins...that is IF I pin. My "rock-star stitch group" includes... I don't think I'd have just one ultimate stitch group because I like my groups small so we can visit while we stitch. My "heavenly star" stitch group would include my great-great grandmother Lizzie, grandmother Ethel, and my aunt Sissy. Lizzie has always been my inspiration, Ethel and Sissy taught me to sew. I have so many unanswered questions and to sit around a quilt frame, and chat as we quilt would be amazing.
My "rock-star" Moda stitch group would include Barbara Brackman, Janet Clare, Laurie Simpson, just to start...I'd need more small groups. Iol That said... my own small stitch group is awesome, once a month, nonstop laughter, yummy food, and maybe a little stitching thrown in.

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