

Pieced Block presented at the November 9th Meeting

(please bring completed blocks to the January 11th Meeting)

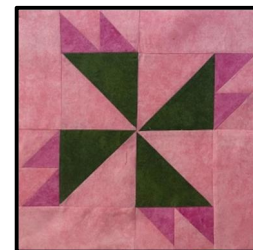
Traditional Rosebud

(In honor of the Rose Bowl, January 1, 2025)

Fabric Requirements and Cutting:

PLEASE NOTE:

- Read all directions before beginning.
- The sizes given in parentheses below can be used if you prefer to trim your half-square triangle (HST) units rather than worrying about sewing an accurate scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.
- Fabrics such as tone-on-one, solid, batik, etc. work best for this block.



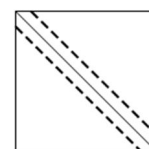
Light pink (background) – Cut 4 rectangles $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " , cut 4 squares $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x $2\frac{7}{8}$ " (3" x 3"), and 2 squares $4\frac{7}{8}$ " x $4\frac{7}{8}$ " (5" x 5").

Green (leaves) – Cut 2 squares $4\frac{7}{8}$ " x $4\frac{7}{8}$ " (5" x 5")

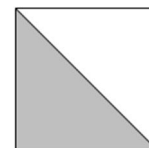
Rose-colored (e.g. pink, yellow, coral, etc.) but all 4 the same – Cut 4 squares $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x $2\frac{7}{8}$ " (3" x 3")

Piecing Instructions:

1. Draw a diagonal line (corner to corner) on the wrong side of the light pink $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x $2\frac{7}{8}$ " (3" x 3") squares. This line will later be used as a cutting line. Mark a **scant** $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam line on each side of the cutting line as shown. ►

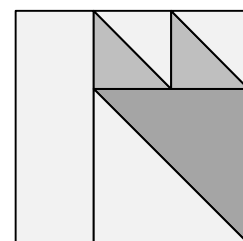


2. Lay the dark pink $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x $2\frac{7}{8}$ " (or 3" x 3") squares face up on your work surface and position a marked square from Step 1 on top of each (right sides together).



3. Sew along the marked $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam lines then cut apart along the marked cutting line; press seams towards the dark fabric to form 8 Half-Square Triangle (HST) units as shown. ► *If you were using 3" x 3" squares, trim each HST unit to exactly $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".*

4. Repeat Steps 1-3 using the 2 light pink $4\frac{7}{8}$ " x $4\frac{7}{8}$ " (or 5" x 5") squares and the 2 green $4\frac{7}{8}$ " x $4\frac{7}{8}$ " (or 5" x 5") squares and pressing seams towards green fabric. *If you were using 5" x 5" squares, trim each HST to exactly $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".*



5. Using two HST units from Step 3, one HST unit from Step 4, and one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " light pink rectangle, arrange the pieces as shown in the diagram at the right ►
Then...

- a. Sew the Step 3 HST units together, press seams to the right (when piece is right side down).*
- b. Sew the Step 5 HST unit to the 5a unit, press the seam towards the leaf fabric. *
- c. Sew the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " light pink rectangle to the Step 5b unit, press the seam towards the rectangle.*

*All of the seams should nest.

6. Repeat Step 5 to form a total of 4 corner units.
7. Sew the 4 corner units together as shown at the right. ►

Note: Your assembled block should now measure exactly $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Please do NOT trim or square up!

