

Greetings, Quilters! We had hoped to get this to you before Christmas, but our schedules just wouldn't let it happen. We are giving you the patterns for the Friendship Blocks for the remainder of the year. Since this is so late in getting to you, we will skip January and continue on with the rest of the year. We may do something in addition to the Friendship Block for April, so watch your Plain Print for details. All templates are included for you as well as quick-cut methods using a rotary cutter. Have fun with the blocks for the rest of the year. You may want to take time when you are in the mood to sew and make all the blocks for the rest of the year.

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A simple Heart block, $6^{\prime \prime}$ finished ( $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with seam allowances. Use dark prints in pinks, purples, and reds for the heart ( $\mathrm{L} \& \mathrm{M}$ ). For the background ( $\mathrm{N} \& \mathrm{O}$ ) use a complementing light print or solid to go with the dark fabric you chose for the heart.


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This will be a signature block to celebrate our birthday. This block is a variation of the Friendship Star. The block will be 9 " finished ( $91 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with seam allowances). Use unbleached muslin for the center square (G). Sign your name with a permanent marker in this square. The four large triangles $(\mathrm{H})$ should be a dark pink print. The four corner squares (I) and the small triangle (J) should be pastel green print. The four remaining small triangles (K) should be a gold or yellow print. Think spring on this block and have fun with light, springtime colors.


This block is called Puss in the Corner. This will be an $8^{\prime \prime}$ finished block ( $8-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with seam allowances) using all solid fabrics. Choose three Amish dark colors. The center square ( D ) will be one color, the four corner squares ( E ) will all be the same color, the four rectangles (F) will be the third color. Use solid colors only, but no black, please. You may want to set these blocks together using black. Some colors to consider are purple, green, hot pink, blue, or red. If you have always wanted to experiment with colors in an Amish quilt, here is your chance.


This block is called Birds in the Air. This will be a $6^{\prime \prime}$ finished block ( $6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ with seam allowances). The large triangle (A) and three small triangles (B) should be medium to dark blues to navies, either all the same or all different. The remaining five triangles (C) should be any light print that complements the dark you use such as a tan or cream or even a pale blue. Don't forget to think about plaids for this one.


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## F-cut 4

"F" Quick-cut method
cut four $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle

## A - cut 1

"A" Quick-cut method cut one square 6-7/8" and cut in half to make triangles

## D - cut 1 <br> "D" Quick-cut method cut one $4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square

"B \& C" Quick-cut method
cut square 2-7/8" and cut in half


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