

## MONTH TWO – BLOCK 5 - March

This block is called *CROSS VARIATION* and is 12” square finished. It’s a little more complicated than the other blocks so far.

### Fabric requirements for this block

Four fabrics required, I chose the background and three others

- Fabric A & B are background
- Fabric C, E & G are lilac patterned
- Fabric D & F are lilac spot
- Fabric H is green floral

### Cutting

- A – background – cut 4 x 2½” squares = 4 squares
- B – background – cut 4 x 3¼” squares, cross cut each square corner to corner, twice = 16 triangles
- C - lilac patterned – cut 4 x 3¼” squares, cross cut each square corner to corner, twice = 16 triangles
- D – lilac spot – cut 12 x 2 7/8<sup>th</sup>” squares, cross cut corner to corner once = 24 triangles
- E – lilac patterned – cut 1 x 5¼” square, cross cut corner to corner, twice = 4 triangles
- F – lilac spot – cut 4 x 2½” squares = 4 squares
- G – lilac patterned – cut 2 x 2 7/8<sup>th</sup>” squares, cross cut corner to corner once = 4 triangles
- H – green floral – cut 1 x 3 3/8<sup>th</sup>” square = 1 square

### Construction

Lay the pieces out as in the photo below, sorry for it being flat on my cutting board, I’ll do better next time and put the complicated blocks on my design wall for the photo!!



- To make one corner unit for the block join a B triangle to a C triangle rights sides together twice, along a short edge, match the 90° corners, note you need opposites (only the same are shown below). Stitching from the right angle to the point, stitch with a B triangle on top once and the second time with a C triangle on top. This will give you opposites.
- Then stitch the B/C unit to the D triangle, rights sides together, twice making two 2½" squares as shown
- Create a 4½" four patch using the segments shown below, repeat all steps three times to create the four corners of the whole block



- For the side flying geese blocks lay one E triangle and two D triangles out as shown below.
- Lay the long edge of one D triangle along one short edge of the E triangle, right sides together and match the ends of the triangles E and D at the corner of the long edge of E as shown below
- The other point of the D triangle will go beyond the edge of E.



- Repeat with the second D triangle, this unit will measure 2½" x 4½". Repeat three more times for the sides of the whole block. They will look as below, second photo



- For the second part of the side units of the block, join a B triangle to a C triangle rights sides together as before, creating opposites as before (2½" squares) then join the B/C unit to a D triangle as before this unit will measure 2½" x 4½", repeat three more times



- Add the B/C/D unit to the D/E unit, this will measure 4½" square, repeat three times to create the side units of the whole block



- The completed corner and side units should look as below



- For the centre square join two G triangles (long side) rights sides together, to opposite sides of the centre square H. I finger pressed to find the centre of the side of H and the long side of G. Lined them up, pinned it in place then stitched. Add the other two G triangles to the other sides of H as above. This unit will be a 4½” square



- Join the units into rows and then the rows together to form the block



Block 5 is now complete, it will measure 12½” square and will be 12” square finished.