

X's and O's
Kathryn Greenwold Quilts

Part 3

This month you will be creating the "X" blocks for your X's and O's.

Construction:

Each X block will be a 9-Patch using 5 squares $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " of your featured fabric and 4 of the 4-Patch units you created last month. See figure 6.

Piece 1 square of your featured fabric, 1 4-Patch, and another featured fabric to create a strip as shown in Figure 4. Make 2 of these units. Press your seams to the featured fabric squares.

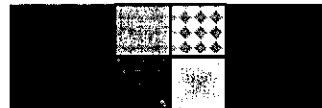


Figure 4

Piece 1 4-Patch unit, 1 featured fabric square and another 4-Patch unit to create a strip as shown in Fig. 5. Make one of these units. Press to the featured fabric.



Figure 5

Assemble these units to complete the block. Use 1 of the Fig. 4 units for the top of the block, one Fig. 5 unit for the center, and another Fig. 4 unit for the bottom, creating a 9-Patch block with the featured fabric in the corners and center of the block. See Fig. 6.

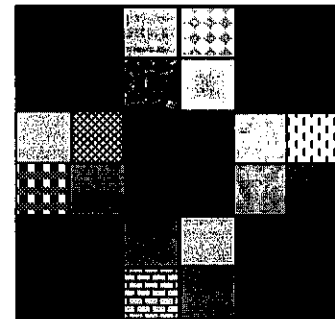


Figure 6

While piecing these units, "snug" the seams to have accurate corner intersections throughout. Press the long seams open to reduce bulk in your seams.

Preview how the units work together before completing your blocks. Try to distribute the various fabrics throughout these blocks as much as possible. You will need to complete 10 9-Patch blocks.

Carefully square all of your "X" blocks to $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

This pattern is intended for personal and donation quilting only. For copies of the full pattern, contact Kathryn Greenwold at lcgreeny@aol.com.