

## Block of the Month: January 2021

### \* Large Flying Geese\*



Here are the instructions to make four large flying geese in the “4 at Once No Waste Method”. You will need one large square and four smaller squares in different colors for some scrappiness. Here is the tutorial and other sizes: [http:// www.modabakeshop.com/2018/09/building-blocks-4-from-1-flying-geese.html](http://www.modabakeshop.com/2018/09/building-blocks-4-from-1-flying-geese.html)

#### **Materials Needed**

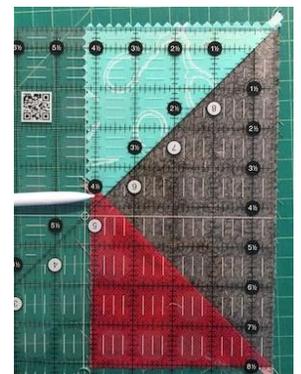
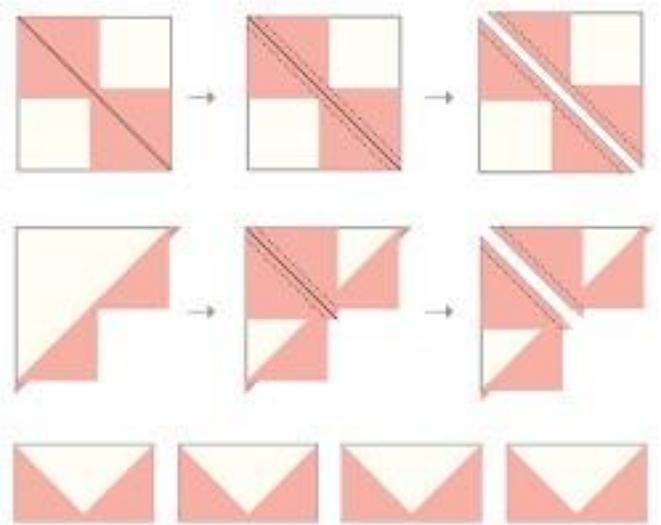
**One 9 1/4” squares of black or dark gray fabric**

**Four 4 7/8” squares in four different bright colored fabric**

Note: All seams are 1/4” unless noted otherwise.

#### **Instructions**

1. With a pencil draw a diagonal line on the back of each of the four smaller squares.
2. Place two of the small squares on the large black/grey square face down (right sides together) in opposite corners, lining up the diagonal lines.
3. Pin the squares to hold them in place and sew a **scant 1/4” seam** on both sides of the drawn diagonal line.
4. Cut unit in half on drawn line. Press seam allowance toward small triangles.
5. Place another small square in the corner of each “goose” unit and sew scant 1/4” seam again on both sides of the drawn line. Cut on the line and press seams toward the smaller triangles.
6. You will now have four Flying Geese units. But you’re not done. Because of sewing and cutting on diagonal/bias edges, they can be a little mis-shapen. It’s important to square up each unit.
7. Place ruler with a 45-degree line on seam and measure 4 1/2” x 8 1/2” making sure to keep 1/4” seam allowance at the top point of each goose (see photo on right).
8. Next, sew together two pairs (press seam open) to create two units that measure **8 1/2” x 8 1/2”** each. (See photo at top)



Because Kathy may still be “out of commission” in December, please mail your finished blocks to Lucille McCarthy, 7 Batchelder St, Melrose, MA 02176. Lucille should have your blocks by January 1, 2021.