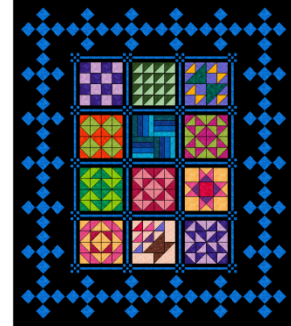


Four Patch Variations Block of the Month by Cheryl Booton

The new Block of the Month quilt is constructed of all four patch block variations. Each month I will give you the directions for a 12" by 12" block that you might use to construct your own four patch quilt or, as I have done, you can construct a quilt using all 12 blocks in this series. The patterns are for you to use with any fabrics you wish. I used Moda color wash prints to create an Amish quilt. The border is



constructed of nine patch blocks, with the second color matching the border (black). This makes them appear as if they are floating on the quilt. If you have any questions please give me a call at 408-264-7121. The patterns for these blocks can be found at www.scvqa.org under guild activities, block of the month. I hope you enjoy these twelve blocks..

Cutting:

Cut five $3 \frac{7}{8}$ " by $3 \frac{7}{8}$ " squares from fabric A (purple). Cut diagonally once. You will have 10 rectangles.

Cut three $3 \frac{7}{8}$ " by $3 \frac{7}{8}$ " squares from fabric B (yellow). Cut diagonally once. You will have 6 rectangles.

Cut four $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " by $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " squares from fabric A (purple).

Cut one $6 \frac{7}{8}$ " by $6 \frac{7}{8}$ " from fabric D (green) and cut diagonally once. You will have two rectangles

Assembly:

Follow the diagram, first piece A & B (outlined in red) to make a square. Next add two purple triangles A (outlined in blue) to the outlined red square; and finally attach rectangle C (outlined in orange). This creates top left and bottom right patches. Create two A & B squares and attach two purple squares to complete the top right and bottom left patches.

Sew the four squares together to create a four patch variation titled **Old Maids Puzzle**.

