

## BLOCK PARTY – SEPTEMBER 2022 THREAD SPOOL

What is your favorite thread color? Red, blue, variegated, neon? Make the center of this easy block a favorite thread color, use a light brown for the spool and white or off-white for the background.

### Cutting:

- A. Thread – cut one rectangle 3.5 by 4.5-inches. If you use striped fabric, be sure to cut this piece with horizontal stripes to look like thread on a spool.
- B. Spool – cut two strips of light brown, each 1.5 by 5.5-inches
- C. Background – cut two strips 1.5 by 4.5-inches  
Cut four 1.5-inch squares



### Assembly (all seams are a quarter inch):

1. Place a background square on the left end of the top spool strip. Draw a diagonal line from the top left edge towards the center. Stitch just to the outside of that line. Press and trim the seam allowance to .25-inch. Place the 2nd background square on the right end of the top spool. Draw a diagonal line from the top right edge towards the center. Stitch just to the outside of that line. Press and trim the seam allowance to .25 inch.
2. Repeat Step 1 for the spool bottom, stitching the background squares in the opposite directions to look like the spool top and bottom as shown in the picture.
3. Sew a background strip on each side of the center thread piece. Press well.
4. Sew a spool unit on each end of the thread unit, carefully matching the seams. Press well.

**Finished block will be 5.5-inches wide and 6.5-inches tall.**

Do NOT trim/square up the block – let the winner do that step.

To participate in the September Block Party, make the block as described; mail or drop off to Karel Peer. Your name will be entered once for each block received (enclose a note if you don't want your name in the drawing). Blocks must be received by Saturday, September 24th. The winner will be drawn and announced at the September 26th SCVQA meeting with pictures of the blocks and the winner's name in the October newsletter.

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