

LIVINGSTON PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

BLOCK OF THE MONTH/APRIL, 2013

A PLAIN OLD NINE PATCH – 12"



Supply list

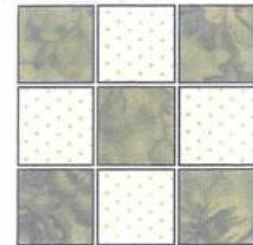
Color one needs one 4-1/2" x 22-1/2" strip (spring colors)

Color two (natural muslin from Jean's Corner) needs one 4-1/2" x 18" strip

Start by cutting the color one 4-1/2" by 22-1/2" strip into five 4-1/2" squares. Cut the color two 4-1/2" x 18" strip into four 4-1/2" squares.



Now lay out the squares as shown at right. Using a scant 1/4" seam allowance, sew three horizontal rows of squares. Press seams towards the darker fabric. Join the rows and the block is complete. If your seam allowances are accurate, this will measure 12-1/2".



"What's with the SCANT 1/4" seams??"

Sewing seams that are just the tiniest bit LESS THAN a true 1/4" seam will help you get blocks that come out the finished size you expect them to be! This is because a small amount of block width is lost in every pressed over seam! That slightly smaller seam will keep things coming out right!

