



## Fall 2021 Mystery Quilt Class – Purple Passion

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### STEP ONE – Block A

Welcome to the Fall 2021 Mystery Quilt Class! This week we will learn how to piece Block A of the Mystery Quilt. This Block is often referred to as the “54/40 or Fight” Block

**Block A is basically a nine-patch block made up of (5) 4-patch units and (4) rather tall flying geese units** (The flying geese units make up the star wings of the block!).

I mentioned in the Supplies List last week that you would want to purchase a plastic template sheet from which we will cut out the templates for the ‘flying geese star units’ of Block A.

**So, now let’s trace Templates B, C & D onto the plastic template sheet** by simply placing the template plastic over the white paper pattern (PDF of templates included in the email.). Use a 6” ruler to help ensure lines are traced in straight rows. No need to trace the 2.5” square template because we will simply use 2.5” squares from our scraps or yardage. NOTE: Template C & D are MIRROR-Image of one another; they create the right and left wings of the star on the flying geese units. It is IMPORTANT to remember that you need a Mirror Image of the Star Wings when you are cutting out those units!

**Wall Quilt: 46” x 46” (Make 5 Block A’s)**

**Lap Quilt: 70” x 70” (Make 13 Block A’s)**

From your scrap stash (or from your yardage) you will pull (or cut) the squares needed for Block A. (See Fabric & Supplies list from last week’s PDF for the *entire* list.)

#### **BLOCK A: (Pull or Cut)**

Wall Quilt: Lights (50) 2.5” squares; (20) 4.5” squares  
Mediums (20) 5” squares  
Darks (50) 2.5” squares

Lap Quilt: Lights (130) 2.5” squares; (52) 4.5” squares  
Mediums (52) 5” squares  
Darks (130) 2.5” squares

#### **Piecing Block A:**

Let’s start by making the simple **4-patch units** that are required for each Block A.

(5) 4-patch units are needed for **EACH** Block A.

**Wall Quilt requires a total of (25) 4-patch units**

**Lap Quilt requires a total of (65) 4-patch units**

Each 4-patch unit requires (2) Light & (2) Dark 2.5” squares. Piece them together into 4-patches. Make (25) units for Wall quilt or (65) units for Lap quilt.

When pressing the 4-patch units, twist & open the center seams to help flatten the center of the unit for quilting. (See photo at right...) Lori will demo this step on Monday night!

**SQUARE UP each 4-patch unit to 4.5” square.**





Now, let's cut and piece the **Star Flying Geese units**...

Your template pieces should be traced and cut from the plastic. Start with Template B, which is the center section of the star flying geese unit.



**Wall Quilt** requires (20) star flying geese units.  
**Lap Quilt** requires (52) star flying geese units.

**Template B:**

**Wall Quilt:** Pull (20) Light 4.5" squares from which you will trace and cut out Template B.

**Lap Quilt:** Pull (52) Light 4.5" squares from which you will trace and cut out Template B. (The outside left-over triangles pieces after cutting can be used to stuff pet pillow!)

**Templates C & D:**

**Wall Quilt:** Then pull (20) 5" Medium squares from which you will cut out BOTH Template C & D.

**Lap Quilt:** Then pull (52) 5" Medium squares from which you will cut out BOTH Template C & D. [The 5" square allows you to obtain mirror image star wings.]

**NOTE:** Make sure you cut (20 – Wall Quilt) and (52 – Lap Quilt) of **EACH Template C & D** so each Star has both of its wing points!

For my Scrappy quilt, I wanted my Left and Right Star Wings in each unit to **MATCH**, so a Template C & D was cut from the same square. (See photo; Center B was cut from Light fabric; & Wing C & Wing D were cut from a Medium fabric. Once the 2 wings are cut from the 5" square, there will be a **left-over triangle shape** that you can use for another project! **Stay tuned for info on that project!!!** ☺ )



Now, let's piece the flying geese units:

1. Grab a Light fabric Center B template and a Medium fabric Wing template ...



2. Align the Wing to the Center and pin; sew a 1/4" SA.



3. Press the SA (Seam Allowance) toward the wing.



4. Grab the opposite Wing template



5. Align and pin the Wing to the center. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " SA.



6. Press the SA toward the Wing.

7. **SQUARE UP** each Flying Geese unit to 4.5" square.  
**Make (20) Units for the Wall quilt and (52) Units for the Lap quilt.**

**Now, let's lay out the Units in 3 rows of 3 units per row for Each Block A.**

(Be sure to orient each Flying Geese unit in the correction position within each row. Also, be sure to place the DARK squares in diagonal rows as you position each 4-patch unit. **STUDY** the photos below.)

### Block A from Yardage



**Row One:**  
4-patch; Flying Geese; 4-patch

**Row Two:**  
Flying Geese; 4-patch; Flying Geese

**Row Three:**  
4-patch; Flying Geese; 4-patch

### Block A from Scraps!



Sew the 3 Rows together to create Block A.  
Press.

**Square up each Block A to 12.5" square.**

Make (5) Block A's for Wall Quilt.  
Make (13) Block A's for Lap Quilt.

**Next week, we'll work on Block B!**