



Week 14

Scrap Block Quilt Sampler – 52-week Series

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“Christmas Family Circle” block 12.5” x 12.5”

Scrappy Block Patterns use my “*Speedy Solutions Scrap Techniques*” by Lori Dickman; Watch the *Speedy Solutions Techniques* [Video Link HERE](#)

Fabric scraps to pull from your stash:

For EACH block, pull or cut:

Darks or Mediums: (8) 3.5” squares (red); (8) 1.5” squares (dk. green)

Lights: (4) 3.5” squares

Lights: (1) 6.5” square



To make each block:

1. “Snowball” a Dark (green) 1.5” square to each corner of the 6.5” Light square. Snowballing simply means you’ll draw a diagonal line across the back of the 1.5” square and then place it (RST) on one corner of the 6.5” red square. Sew on the diagonal line. Trim away the excess; and press the light square away from the red print square. (Re-watch video for step-by-step instructions.)
2. Next, snowball a Dark (green) 1.5” square to “one” corner of (4) light 3.5” squares. (Follow same process as above.) Trim away excess and press toward the dark.
3. Lay out the block as shown below and sew the 4 rows together. **Be sure to ORIENT the snowballed 3.5” Lt. squares within the rows correctly...** follow the diagram.



Row one: 3.5” Lt. snowballed square; 3.5” Dk or Med square; 3.5” Dk or Med square; 3.5” Lt. snowballed square



Row two & three: Sew (2) of the 3.5” Dk or Med squares together; press. Then sew those units onto the sides of the snowballed 6.5” Light Square.



Row four: 3.5” Lt snowballed square; 3.5” Dk or Med square; 3.5” Dk or Med square; 3.5” Lt snowballed square

4. Press seams to the dark whenever possible. Square up the completed block to 12.5”

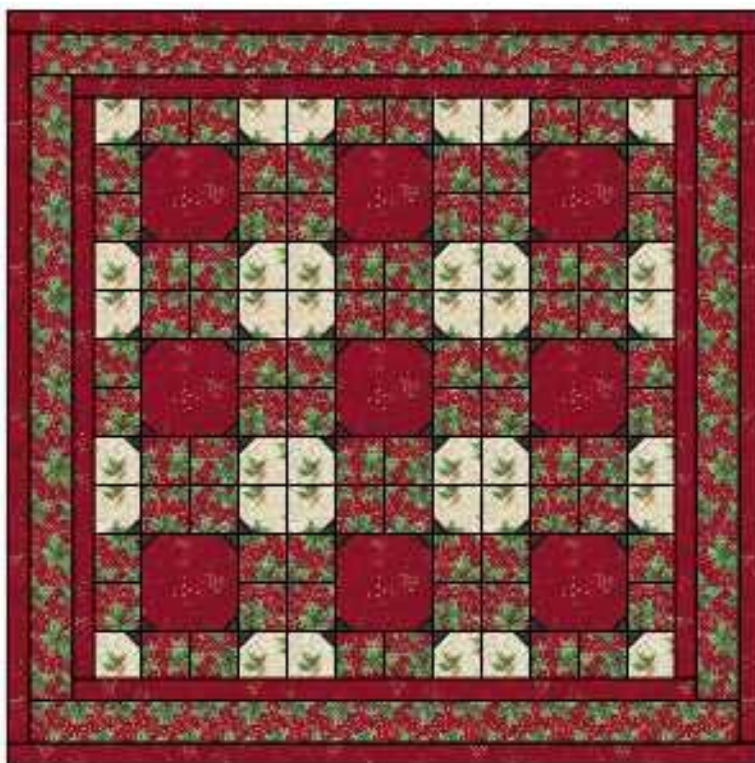
See next page for Quilt idea for you to try with your scrap stash!



Since many of us gather with family and friends during the holidays, how about bringing along the 6.5" snowballed squares to your family celebrations and ask your family and friends to sign those blocks? Maybe each family could include a special memory, an event or Bible verse on their block. You could take the blocks back home and sew up a great family keepsake with those autographed squares!

The quilt diagram below simply uses nine of the 12" blocks and a triple border (Border fabric widths for cutting: 1.5" inch dark red borders and a 2.5" holiday print border.)

The dark red squares are the snowballed squares in the pattern idea below; however, you can switch the values around so the 6.5" signature square is a Light value (for easy readability of signatures) or medium or dark! The choice is yours! Imagine all you could do with this simple pattern! Create a quilt that is as large as needed for the size family you have! Christmas Magic!
Happy Holidays and Happy Quilting! Lori Dickman



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