

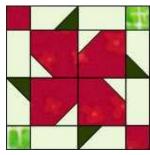
## Mystery Quilt – Fall 2023 - Part Three **Poinsettias in the Forest!** ©2023 Designs by Lori Dickman

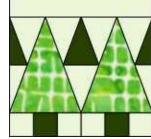
Level: Beginner to Intermediate

**Dimensions** of Quilt: 52" x 52" Finished Block size: Center blocks 12" finished; Border blocks: 6" x 9.5" Finished; Corner blocks: 6" Finished

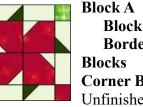
**Fabrics required**: Light Background: 1-1/2 Yards Medium Green: 7/8 yard Bright Green: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard (For sashes on border blocks) Dark Green: 5/8 vard Red: 7/8 yard **Backing:** 4 yards

Template Plastic to create Triangle Templates (Weeks 2 & 3)









**Block B** Border **Corner Block** Unfinished block

sizes: (12.5" square) Make 5

(12.5" square) Make 4

(6.5" x 10" rectangles) 6.5" x 6.5" square Make 16

Make 4

## **Directions: (Forest Pines Christmas Tree BORDER Blocks)**

The Tree Border Blocks will be made the same as we made the center blocks in Week 2. The difference is the size and the color of the top row. For the border block, the top row will be Green (or any color you choose!), and the size of this Tree Border block is short and wide, whereas the center Tree blocks were square.

This is YOUR Quilt...have fun with fabric choices! Make it as scrappy as you desire or choose a palette or theme from your favorite fabric line!

- 1. Print the Christmas Tree Block Templates PDF; be sure to print it out at 100% so the templates are the correct size. Trace the Triangle Templates (B, C, E & F) onto plastic template film.
- 2. From WOF 4.5" Medium Green strips, cut (32) Template F's (Lg. Trees) from those strips.

- 3. From WOF 2.5" Dark Green strip, cut (16) Template E's (small trees) and (16) Template B's & (16) Template C's from those strips.
- 4. From WOF 2.5" Light Background strips cut (80) Template E's (small triangles), (16) Template B & (16) Template C from that strip.
- 5. From WOF 1.5" Medium Green strips, cut (16) 1.5" x 10" rectangles.
- 6. From WOF 1.5" Light Background strips, cut (64) 1.5" x 2" rectangles.
- 7. From WOF 1.5" Dk. Green strip, cut (32) 1.5"x 2" rectangles.
- 8. Sew the block together in groups of triangles...
  - a. First, let's sew the Lt. Background & Dk. Green triangle templates together. (WATCH THE VIDEO!)
    - i. Left End Unit: Sew Dk. Green C to Lt. Background E. Under the Dk. Green attach Lt. Background B. (We have completed ONE half-triangle located on the left side of the block.)
    - ii. **Right End Unit**: To make the 2<sup>nd</sup> half-triangle for the right side of the block, sew a Dk. Green B to a Lt. Background E. Then, sew a Lt. Background C under the Dk. Green.
    - iii. **Center Unit**: To make the center group of 4 triangles: sew a Lt. Background E to a Dk. Green E to a Lt. Background E. Then add a Lt. Background E under the Dk. Green Triangle.
  - b. Now, let's sew the Right, Center and Left units to the Medium Green Template F's for our block. Be sure to flip the End & Center triangle units upside down as shown in the diagram of the block when sewing to the Medium Green...
    - i. Sew Left End unit to a Med Green F; to the Center Unit, to a Med Green F, to the Right End unit.
    - ii. Press the seams to the dark.
  - c. To create the tree trunk section: Sew a 1.5"x 2-1/8" Dk. Green rectangle between (2) 1.5"x 2-1/8" Lt. Background rectangle. Make (2) of these trunk units for EACH border block (total of 32 trunk units).
  - d. Sew (2) trunk units together to create the bottom row of the block. Sew this row to the bottom of the Tree units created in Step 6-b. Do this for all (16) Border Tree Blocks.
  - e. Top row is simply the Medium Green 1.5" x 10" rectangle sewn to the top of the block. Press the seam toward the top of the block.
- 9. Make a total of (16) Forest Pines Christmas Tree BORDER Blocks. Square up each block to 6.5" x 10".
- 10. Sew the center quilt together in a 9-block layout following the diagram below. Be sure to orient the Poinsettia blocks so the red squares run in the same diagonal layout for the entire center. Square up center quilt to 36.5"
- 11. To add the red borders: Cut & sew (2) 1.5" x 36.5" borders on opposite sides. Then cut & sew (2) 1.5" x 38.5" borders on the remaining two sides. Press SA toward the dark.

Next week, we will work on the Poinsettia Corner Block! This pattern may not be copied or reproduced in any way without permission from the author.



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