

December 2021 Block of the Month

Colors
Green
Red
Off White

Tree Block

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SKILL LEVEL
BEGINNER

Finished Block Size
10" x 10"

Planning

This quick and easy block lends itself to Christmas table runners, potholders, small totes... almost any holiday project that requires a 10" block. Consider making it in bright fabrics with a blue background for a fun child's quilt.

Cutting Instructions

(cut in order listed)

Cream texture (background)

2 rectangles $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

2 rectangles $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ "

10 squares $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

2 rectangles $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Green print (tree)

1 strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $10\frac{1}{2}$ "

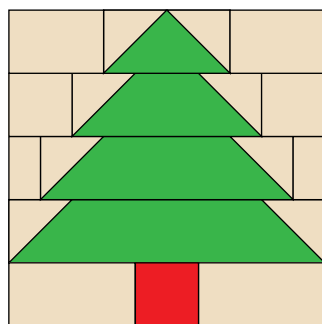
1 strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ "

1 strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ "

1 rectangle $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

Christmas print, plaid, or stripe (trunk)

1 square $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ "



Piecing the Block

1 Draw diagonal line on wrong side of cream $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Referring to **Diagram I-A**, place marked square on green print $10\frac{1}{2}$ " strip, right sides together, aligning raw edges. Stitch on drawn line; trim away and discard excess fabric. Open and press. Repeat on the opposite end of the strip to make pieced unit A. In same manner and referring to **Diagram I-B**, use cream $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and remaining green strips and rectangles to make pieced units B-D.

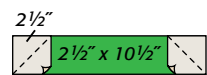
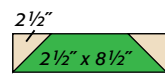
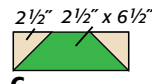


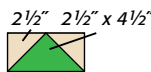
Diagram I-A



B



C



D

Diagram I-B

2 Referring to **Diagram II**, sew cream $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to opposite sides of Christmas print $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square to make bottom row of Tree Block. Sew cream $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to ends of unit B to make middle row of Tree Block. In similar manner, sew cream $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares to ends of C, and cream $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles to ends of D, to make top 2 rows of Tree Block. Sew rows together as shown to complete Tree Block.

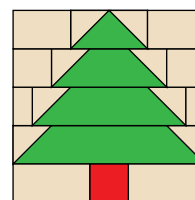
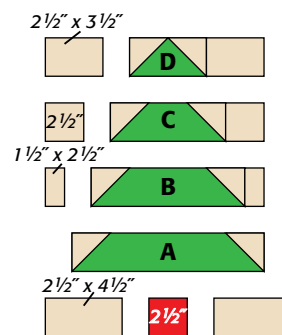


Diagram II