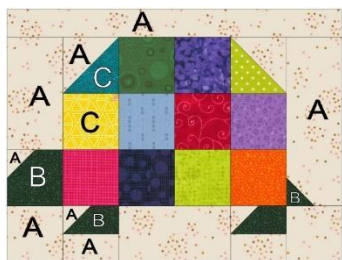


SVQG August 2026 Block - "TORTOISE" (9"x 12" finished)



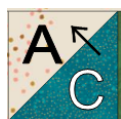
FABRIC: (A) Light Background - ONE $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 26"$ strip, subcut into ONE $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$ piece, TWO $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 4\frac{1}{2}"$ pieces, & FOUR $2\frac{1}{2}"$ squares; AND ONE $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 23"$ strip, subcut into ONE $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 12\frac{1}{2}"$ strip, TWO $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$ pieces, & THREE $1\frac{1}{2}"$ squares.

(B) Green - ONE $2\frac{1}{2}"$ square, TWO $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 1\frac{1}{2}"$ pieces, & ONE $1\frac{1}{2}"$ square

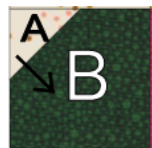
(C) Shell - TWELVE multicolored $2\frac{1}{2}"$ squares OR ONE $8\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$ piece



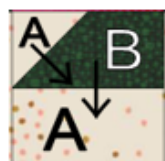
BLOCK CONSTRUCTION: Shell: 1) Sew TWELVE $2\frac{1}{2}"$ (C) squares into $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 8\frac{1}{2}"$ piece. Press rows in opposite direction to make seams "nest". ** OR ** If you don't want to piece all the little squares, use ONE $6\frac{1}{2}" \times 8\frac{1}{2}"$ piece of fabric for the shell.



2) Using the "quick-corner" method, sew ONE $2\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) square to each top corner square, as shown. Press towards (A) and trim excess behind.



3) Head: Using "quick-corner" method, sew ONE $1\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) square to ONE $2\frac{1}{2}"$ (B) square, as shown. Press towards (B) and trim excess behind. Refer to block image at top of page, sew ONE $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 4\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) piece to A/B Unit. Press towards (A) piece.



4) Feet: Using "quick-corner" method, sew ONE $1\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) square to ONE $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$ (B) piece, as shown. Press towards (B) and trim excess behind. THEN, sew ONE $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 2\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) piece to A/B unit, as shown. Press towards (A) and make a total of TWO units. A/B/A foot units should measure $2\frac{1}{2}"$ square.



5) Refer to image at left, sew TWO $2\frac{1}{2}"$ A/B/A units from Step 4 between TWO $2\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) squares and ONE $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 4\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) piece. Press as shown. Unit should measure $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 12\frac{1}{2}"$.



6) Tail: Using "quick-corner" method, sew ONE $1\frac{1}{2}"$ (B) square to ONE $2\frac{1}{2}" \times 6\frac{1}{2}"$ (A) piece, as shown. Press towards (A) and trim excess behind.

BLOCK ASSEMBLY: Refer to the block images below to:

7) Sew Head unit from Step 3 to left side of Shell unit. Press towards Shell.

8) Sew A/B Tail unit from Step 6 to right side of Shell unit. Press towards Tail unit.

9) Sew Feet unit from Step 5 to bottom of Head/Shell/Tail unit. Press towards Feet unit.

10) Sew $1\frac{1}{2}$ "x $12\frac{1}{2}$ " strip (A) to top of Tortoise block & press towards (A). Block should now measure $9\frac{1}{2}$ "x $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Please call me if you have any questions about making this block. Thanks, Candy H.

