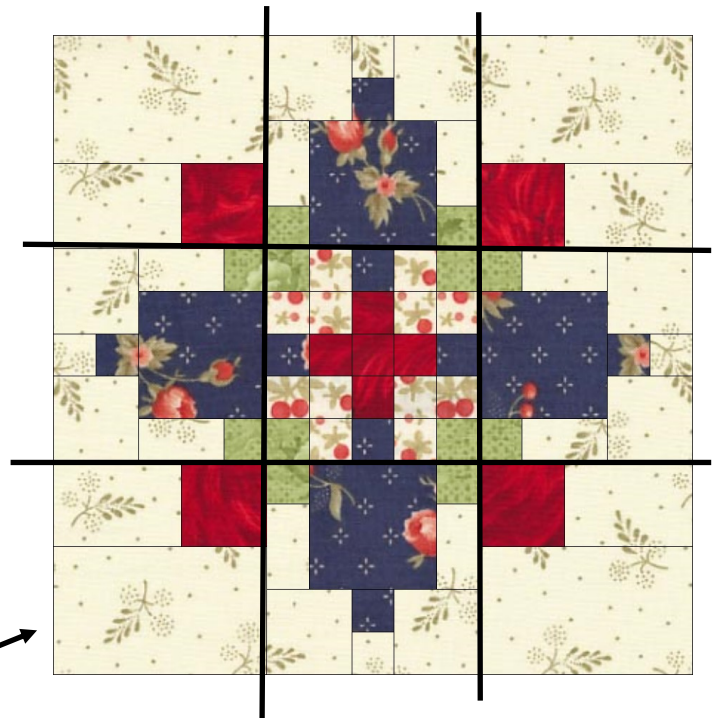
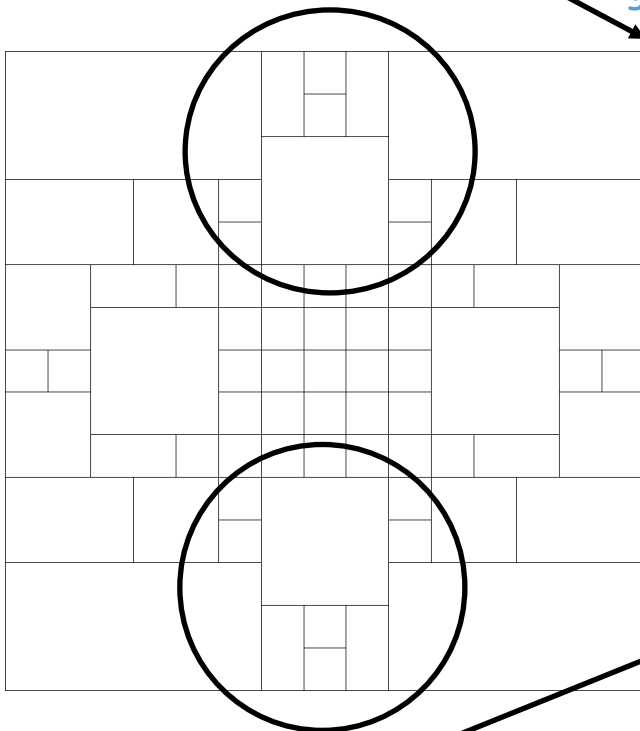


Cupboard to Creativity Oct Update 2024

Hi Everyone,

It has been another very busy month here in the studio and I had a lot of fun playing with our challenge for Oct. I managed to make 2 versions for you. As I was making mine, I realised I could change the structure lines a little for better effect so here I show the original & I have circled the area that I changed to be the same as the side areas on the block—modified version below where I show the 9 unit sections that make up the block.

I have added below a cutting chart which gives you 4 different size versions.



Colours refer to photo	15' Block	30" block	45" block	60" block
Shape A — cut 4 — Cream	3½" x 5½"	6½" x 10½"	9½" x 15½"	12½" x 20½"
Shape B — cut 4 — Cream	2½" x 3½"	4½" x 6½"	6½" x 9½"	8½" x 12½"
Shape C —cut 8 — Cream cut 4 — Red	2½" square	4½" square	6½" square	8½" square
Shape D — cut 4 — Navy	3½" square	6½" square	9½" square	12½" square
Shape E — cut 8 — Cream	1½" x 2½"	2½" x 4½"	3½" x 6½"	4½" x 8½"
Shape F — cut 4 — Cream Cut 8 — Navy Cut 12 — Green Cut 12—cherries Cut 5 - Red	1½" square	2½" square	3½" square	4½" square

Use this cutting chart as guide then play with your own choice of colour to create other patterns within the frame work of this block design to make a full quilt

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When I started on my challenge I had found a bundle of hearts my youngest daughter had stitched when learning to do blanket stitch applique by hand, so I decided to use them as my smallest shape (F squares)

I felt my small florals worked best with the hearts and they worked best in the 45" block, so I decided to add more colour interest by piecing my C shapes and added a dark corner to add a frame interest to the design.

For my D shapes I added more colours by using a 4 patch of florals.

I enjoyed the block construction, so when I came across a bundle of fabrics I had been gifted when teaching in Quilpie quite a few years ago, I felt it was about time I did something with them. For this sample I made the 30" block as the small feature panel suited that best. I still have fabrics from that bundle so will add more to this quilt later.



This smaller 15" block was made by Olwen in group this week using the amended version

In October we had our annual Queensland Quilt Show and I was fortunate to have won 1st place in the Professional Coverlet section with my double sided Coverlet I called "Our Sunburnt Country" (it was shown in July challenge update) .



I hope you have had fun playing along with the idea of using a block as the framework for a quilt. Maybe you can take other block designs and enlarge them to a full quilt—I'm sure there are many that would be fun to explore.

Jan P