## BIRDS IN THR AIR

12 1/2" x12 1/2" unfinished

The Birds in the Air quilt is symbolic of flight or migration. During the Underground Railroad in 1840's to 1850's, a clever quilter could indicate a direction for fugitives to travel through the choice of fabric and placement of block. In a quilt the block in one area were light , creating an arrow pointing North.


## NESTS

CUT 1-8" SQUARE FROM THE BLUE AND BROWN FABRIC. CUT EACH SQUARE FROM CORNER TO CORNER ONCE.

## BIRDS

MAKE 6-2 1 12" HALF SQUARE TRIANGLE FROM RED AND BACKGROUNDFABRIC AND 6- FROM GREEN AND BACKGROUNDFABRIC.

CUT 6-3 1⁄2" SQUARES FROM BACKGROUNDFABRIC. CUT FROM CORNER TO CORNER TOMAKE TRIANGLES TO FILL IN AROUND 'BIRD'S'".

SEW THE BIRDS TO THE NEST.

Place closed block on pressing mat with Nest side up. Set seam, open, and press seams stoward Nest

Square up Nest only with $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Triangle Square Up ruler.


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