AMISH-STYLE QUILT

You are encouraged to make a block-of-the-month for the BBQG and a block for yourself. At the end of this year you will have 12 Amish-style blocks to make your own Amish-style Sampler Quilt. Amish-style quilts are made of solid color fabrics. Amish-style quilts typically feature two or three dominant colors. An inner border is added to frame the quilt; a second border (twice as wide as the first) is added. Additional borders may be added as desired. A color already in the central design of the quilt is used in at least one border. Light colors and white are rarely used in Amish-style quilts.

Kona Cotton is a good choice for Amish-style quilts.

Mitering is rare in Amish-style quilts, as is bias binding.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH: SHEEPFOLD

Cut:

4 − 3 ½" squares of medium blue fabric

1 − 6 ½" square of medium blue fabric

4 – 6 ½" x 3 ½" rectangles of black fabric

Sew: Stitch a scant 1/4" seam.

Stitch a 3 ½" blue square to each end of 2 black rectangles.

Press toward black.

Stitch a black rectangle to each side of the 6 ½" blue square.

Press toward black.

Stitch block together as shown in picture.

The block should measure 12 1/2" square.

If you are the winner of the BBQG blocks, and the blocks vary in size more than ¼", add 2" borders to each block and re-cut to desired size.

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