

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: OHIO STAR

SEPTEMBER, 2013

Cut:

4 – 4 ½" squares of black fabric

2 – 6" squares of black fabric

1 – 4 ½" square of gold fabric

2 – 6" squares of gold fabric

Sew: *Stitch a scant ¼" seam*

Make four quarter-square triangles:

Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 6" gold squares.

Place right sides together: one black 6" square, one marked gold 6" square.

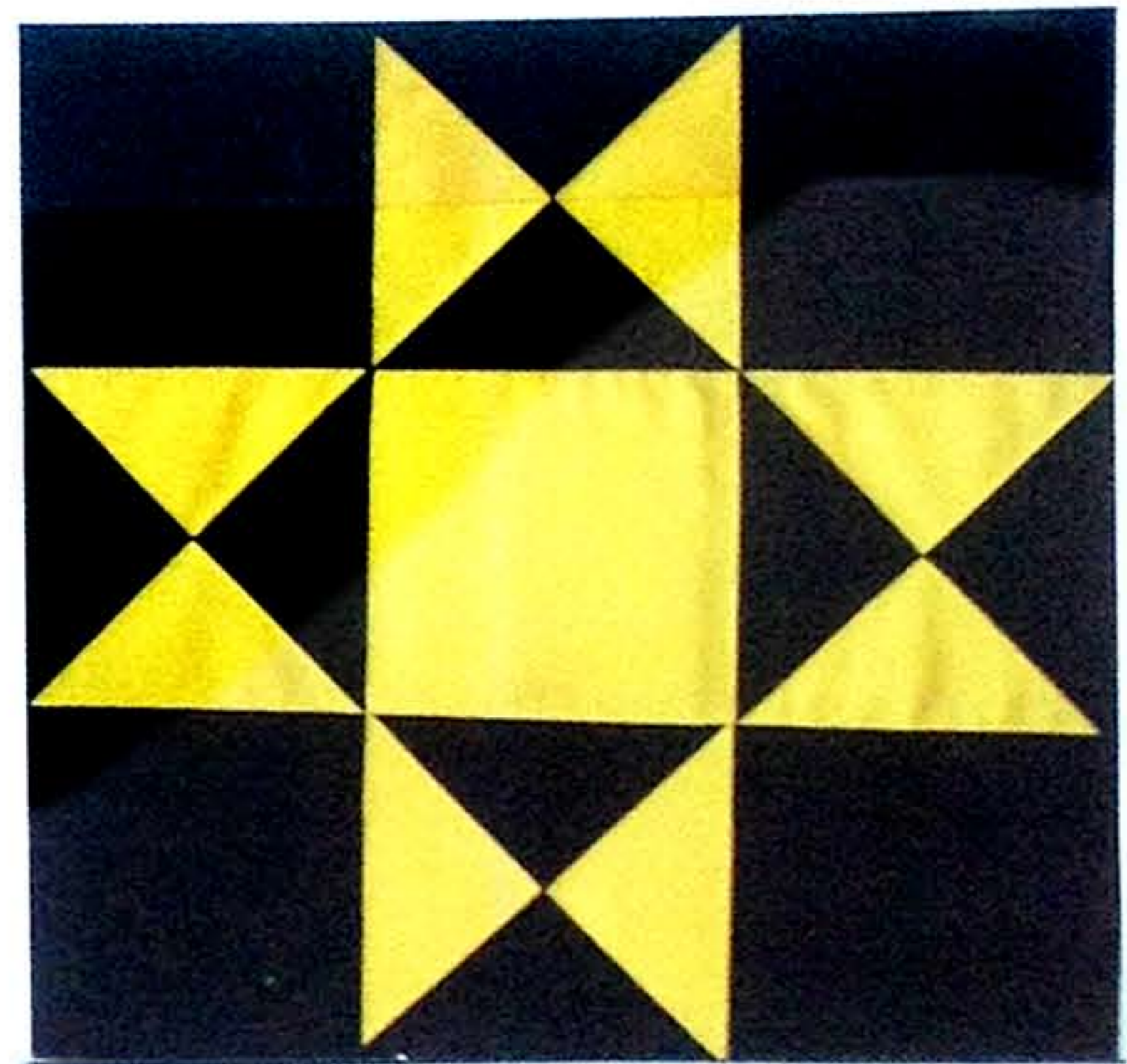
Sew ¼" each side of the marked line on each square.

Cut apart and press to the black.

Lay the half-square triangles right sides together; turn one half way around so that the gold triangle is on the black fabric. Draw a diagonal line across the existing seam, stitch ¼" each side of the marked line. Cut apart. Press. You will have four quarter-square triangles. Trim carefully to 4 ½", making sure each point is on a corner.

Sew block together as shown in the picture. Press seams on top and bottom row toward black; press seams in middle row toward gold.

The block should measure 12 ½" square.



If you are the winner of the BBQG blocks, and the blocks vary in size more than ¼", add 2 to 2 ½" borders to each block and re-cut to desired size.