

Christmas Ornament Blocks

NOTE: All blocks are finished using the same method. However, there are 4 different options for the center of the block. Once you have completed the center of the block, please jump down to the directions under “Completing your Block” to add the snowballs and border to your block.

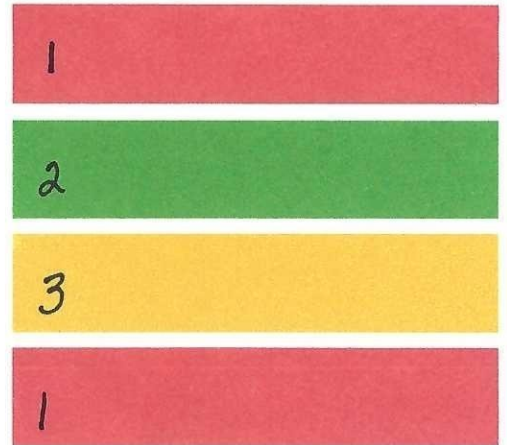
Option 1 – Horizontal Ornament Block

You will need 3 different fabrics to complete this block.

- Fabric 1 – cut (2) – 2” x 6 ½” strips
- Fabric 2 – cut (1) – 2” x 6 ½” strip
- Fabric 3 – cut (1) – 2” x 6 ½” strip

Directions:

- Sew the 4 strips together as shown in the diagram and press.
- Complete your block as shown under “Completing your Block” at the end of the instructions.



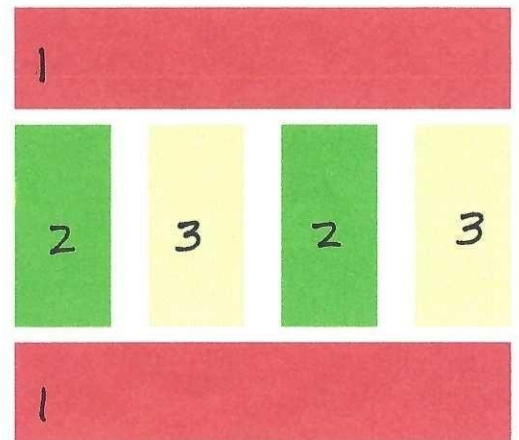
Option 2 – Vertical Ornament Block

You will need 3 different fabrics to complete this block.

- Fabric 1 – cut (2) – 2” x 6 ½” strips
- Fabric 2 – cut (2) – 2” x 3 ½” strips
- Fabric 3 – cut (2) – 2” x 3 ½” strips

Directions:

- Sew the four 2” x 3 ½” strips together alternating the fabrics as shown in the diagram.
- Sew the rows together as shown and press.
- Complete your block as shown under “Completing your Block” at the end of the instructions.



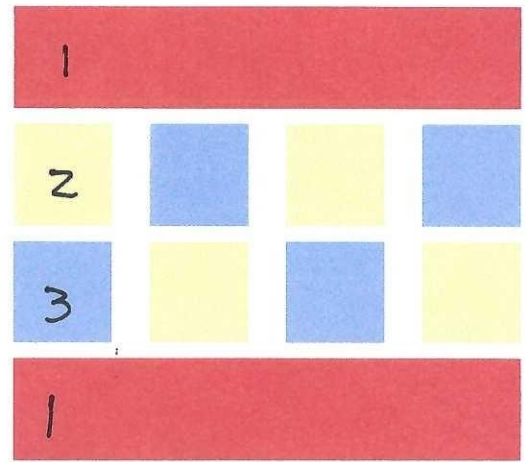
Option 3 – Checkboard Ornament Block

You will need 3 different fabrics to complete this block.

- Fabric 1 – cut (2) – 2" x 6 ½" strips
- Fabric 2 – cut (4) 2" squares
- Fabric 3 – cut (4) 2" squares

Directions:

- Sew 2 rows of 4 squares as shown in the diagram.
- Sew the rows together as shown and press.
- Complete your block as shown under "Completing your Block" at the end of the instructions.



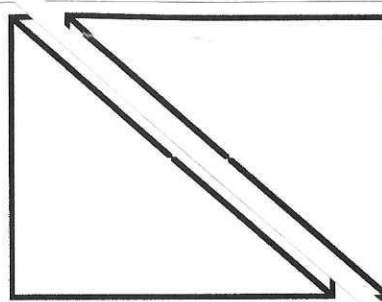
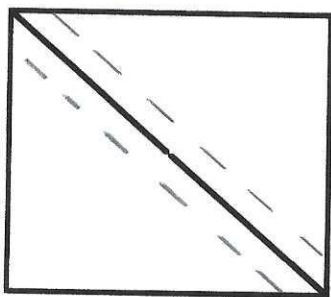
Option 4 – Diagonal Ornament Block

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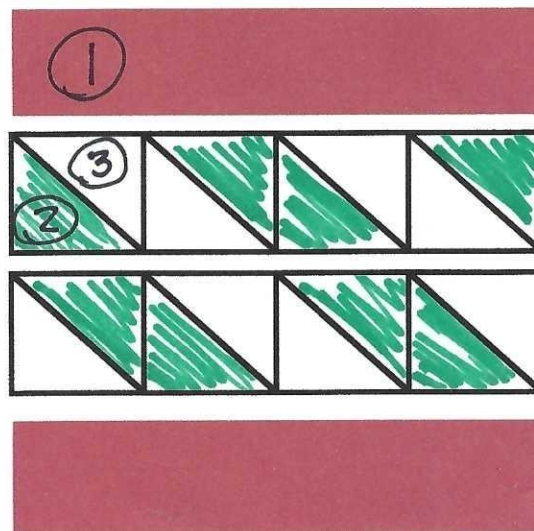
- Fabric 1 – cut (2) – 2" x 6 ½" strips
- Fabric 2 – cut (4) - 2 ½" squares
- Fabric 3 – cut (4) 2 ½" squares

Directions:

Make 8 half square triangles. To make your half square triangles, first draw a diagonal line from one corner of the square to the opposite corner. Then, place a *fabric 2* right sides together to a *fabric 3*. Sew a scant ¼" from the pencil line on each side of the line. Cut along the pencil line and press the seam towards the darker fabric. Once pressed, trim your block to 2" square.



Sew the half square triangles together as shown in the diagram below. To help nest your seams on the half square triangle blocks, you may wish to press the seams on one row to the left and the seams on the other row to the right. Once you have the rows sewn together, you now want to join these 2 rows as shown on the diagram below. Press. These 2 rows should now measure 3 ½" x 6 ½". If not, trim them as needed, and join them to the top and bottom strips.



You are now ready to complete your block as shown under the **"Completing your Block"** section at the end of these instructions.

Completing your Block

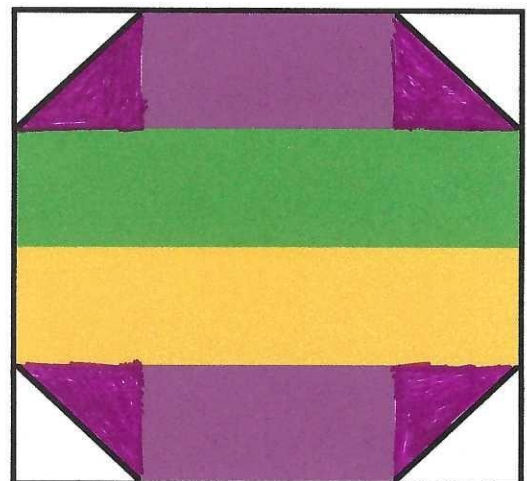
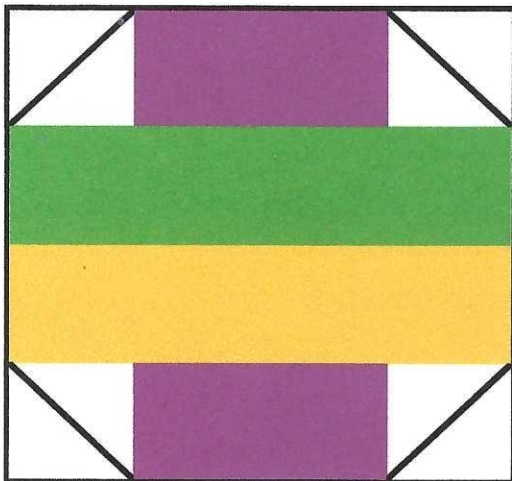
Each of these blocks is completed the same way.

For each block cut the following:

- (4) 2" squares in white
- (1) 2" x 6 ½" strips in white
- (2) 2" x 9 ½" strips in white
- (2) 2 ¾" x 2" strips in white
- (1) 1 ¼" x 2" strip in white
- (1) 1 ¼" x 2" strip in gold, silver, or other color for your ornament top

Directions:

1. Draw a diagonal line on each 2" white square. Place a white square onto each corner of your block and stitch along the diagonal line as shown in the diagram below. Trim and press your seam. This will create your snowball block.



2. To make the ornament top, take one 1 ¼" x 2" strip for the ornament top and sew it to the corresponding 1 ¼" x 2" white strip. Press the seam towards the darker fabric. Sew one 2 ¾" x 2" strip of white fabric on each side of it as shown in the diagram. Sew this ornament top onto the top of your block.
3. Sew one 2" x 6 ½" white strip onto the bottom of the block. Press.
4. Sew one 2" x 9 ½" white strip to each side of the block. Press.
5. Your block should now measure 9 ½" square.

COMPLETED BLOCK

