

## MONTH EIGHT – BLOCK 29 - SEPTEMBER

This block is called *AZTEC JEWEL* and is 12" square finished.

### Fabric requirements for this block

This block requires five fabrics, I chose the background and four others - citrus, pink floral, blue print and pink spot

- A, B and H are background
- C is citrus
- D and G are pink floral
- E is blue print
- F is pink spot



### Cutting

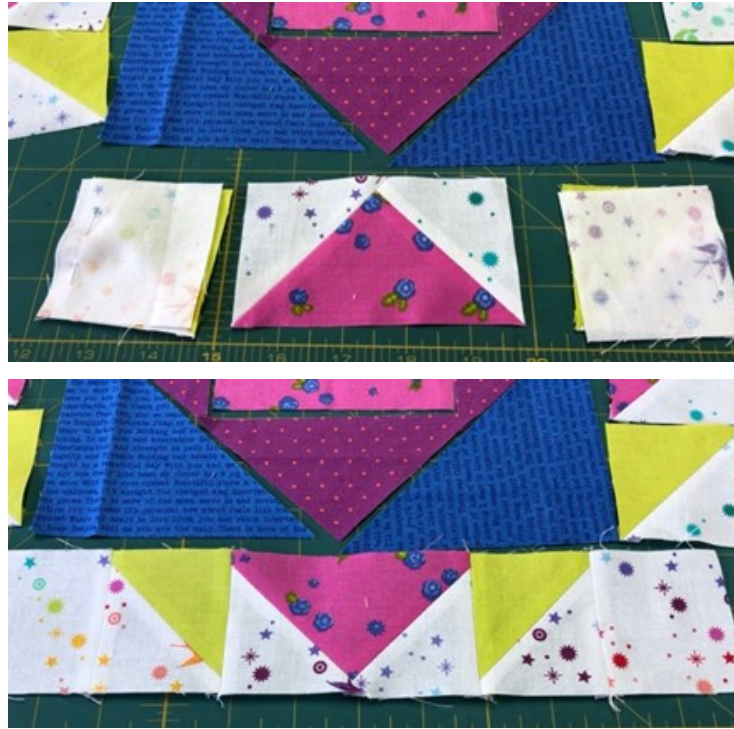
- A – background – cut 4 x 2½" squares
- B – background – cut 4 x 2 7/8<sup>th</sup> squares, cross cut corner to corner once = 8 B triangles
- C – citrus – cut 4 x 3¼" squares
- D – pink floral – cut 1 x 5¼" square, cross cut twice corner to corner = 4 D triangles
- E – blue print – cut 2 x 4 7/8<sup>th</sup> squares, cross cut corner to corner once = 4 E triangles
- F – pink spot – cut 1 x 5¼" square, cross cut corner to corner twice = 4 F triangles
- G – pink floral – cut 1 x 4½" square
- H – background – cut 4 x 3¼" squares

### Construction

- Using the four H background and four C citrus 3¼" squares make half square triangles, cut back to 2½" = eight half square triangle units
- Lay all the units for the block out as shown above
- Next, we will work on the B and D flying geese units. Lay one B background triangle right sides together with one short side of the D pink triangle, lining up the corners as shown on the right. Stitch together along the long side of B. Flip B back and press seams open.
- Repeat with the second B background triangle and the other short side of the D pink triangle. Construct the other three B/D flying geese units for the sides of the block. Trim "ears" away. Place them back in the block layout.



- Join the A background 2½" corner squares and the C/H half square triangle units as show below, then add them to either side of a D/B flying geese block to create the top and bottom rows of the whole block as shown below



- Next, we will work on the centre square in a square block. Finger press the centre of one side of the G pink floral square, finger press the long side of one F pink spot triangle, match them up and sew the two together as shown below. The ends of the triangles will extend beyond the edge of the square. Repeat with the opposite side of the G pink floral square and a second F pink spot triangle as shown below. Repeat with the other two side of the G pink floral square, as shown below





- Repeat the process adding the E blue print triangles to the edges of the newly created pink floral/pink spot square. Trim “ears” as you go.



- Lay all the elements of the block out as shown below. Then add the C/H half square triangles to either end of a flying geese unit to create the sides of the block, then add this unit to either side of the centre square in a square unit. Now join the rows of the block together.



The block is now complete and will measure 12½” square which will be 12” finished.