

BLOCK OF THE MONTH October 2018

The Block of the Month for October is

ARMY BLOCKS



The Coffs Harbour Sewing Team use the Blocks of the Month to make quilts for deployed Defence Force personnel.

There are many Requests from Soldiers who simply ask for ANZAC theme quilts or ARMY theme quilts.

These blocks will be used as shown here...

In BORDERS or vertical or horizontal PANELS



Joined to make whole SECTIONS of a quilt



The images above are graphically generated and only represent the colours of my fabrics

These images show parts of a Hero's Quilt I have recently made



COLOUR

These are some of the fabrics I use to create my army quilts.
I've chosen them by matching with a part of the camouflage print, or with another part of the uniform a Soldier wears eg. Dress uniform including the shirt.
You don't need to use the same fabrics or colours that I have used.

Use fabrics that represent the Army Camouflage and their other Uniforms.



This is a Soldier's camouflage uniform BUT accuracy of colour depends on my photography and I'm a better quilter than photographer LOL! The background is pale green in some lights and a sort of caramel in another part of the room. I guess that's why it's used for camouflage!



The following images are from a Google Search. I typed in Australian Army uniforms.
You could try doing the same and make the pictures large to assess the colours
to help choose suitable fabrics for these blocks.





MAKING THE BLOCKS

Use 100% cotton fabrics
Use 1/4 inch seam allowance

METHOD #1

Choose six fabrics, as suggested above, that have contrast between them as in my sample shown below...

<http://aussieheroquilts.blogspot.com/2018/10/block-of-month-october-2018.html>

khaki green
ginger
smokey coffee colour
dirty gold
different shade of green
rich caramel

Choose six fabrics that don't blend into each other but show their edges.

Cut a 2 inch strip from selvedge to selvedge from each fabric
Join them together, keeping one edge level
Press all the seam allowances in one direction

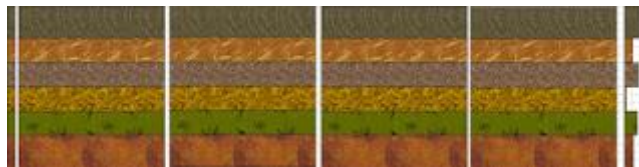


Trim off a small section as shown on the left
Cut four pieces, as shown, 10 1/2 inch wide

The blocks will not be squares.

DO NOT TRIM to make a square

All blocks will be trimmed to the size required as they are selected for each individual Aussie Hero Quilt



METHOD #2 - Using "bits" from your stash

Choose six fabrics, as suggested above, that have contrast between them as in my sample shown above...

khaki green
ginger
smokey coffee colour
dirty gold
different shade of green
rich caramel

Choose six fabrics that don't blend into each other but show their edges.

Cut each piece 2 inch x 12 inch

Join them together, keeping one edge level
Press all the seam allowances in one direction

Trim off a small section as in Method #1

Cut a piece 10 1/2 inch wide

The piece will not be a square.

DO NOT TRIM to make a square

All blocks will be trimmed to the size required as they are selected for each individual Aussie Hero Quilt

Please send your blocks to

Aussie Hero Quilts
PO Box 248
Cherrybrook NSW 2126

Include your email address and I will advise you when your blocks arrive. Every Wednesday, the Happy Mail Post shows the Blocks of the Month received in the previous week.

I know this is such a simple block, but these blocks are going to be VERY helpful in making quilts for our Soldiers.

THANK YOU
for contributing to this great cause.

Until next time,

Sandy