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GREEN AND GOLD DIAMOND BLOCK



This block makes great quilts!

And...it is not a difficult block to make.

It's the same block we made around this time last year in red and blue.

These patriotic colours will make quilts that have a very Aussie flavour!

GREEN FABRIC

Use strong greens.

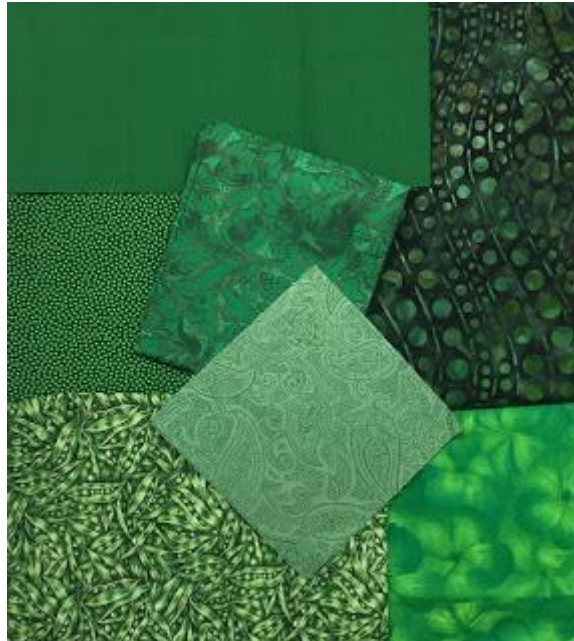
No lime green or pastel green please.

Patterned fabrics give texture and are great.

Plains fabrics, geometric prints, any suitable prints, Batiks and tone-on-tone fabrics are all great.

Gender neutral prints please.

These are some of the greens in my collection that would be suitable.



GOLD FABRIC

The gold fabrics were so tricky to photograph! :-)

Think of golden yellow as the colour to use.

No pale/pastel/baby yellow or mustard yellow please.

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1/4 inch seam allowance

Let's get started...

From both the green fabric and the golden yellow fabric cut...

a strip of fabric about 15 inch long x 3 1/4 inch wide
and
one square 6 1/2 x 6 1/2 inch



Sew the two long strips together along the long side, with right sides together
Press the seam allowance to one side



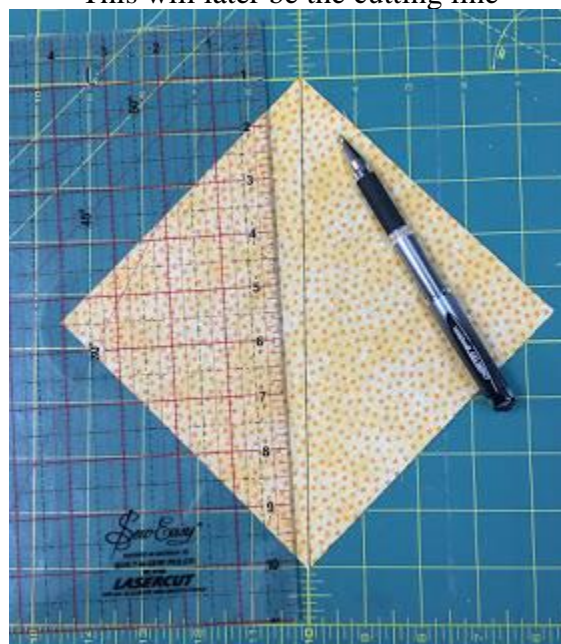
Trim a small section from one end and then cut four pieces 3 1/4 inch wide



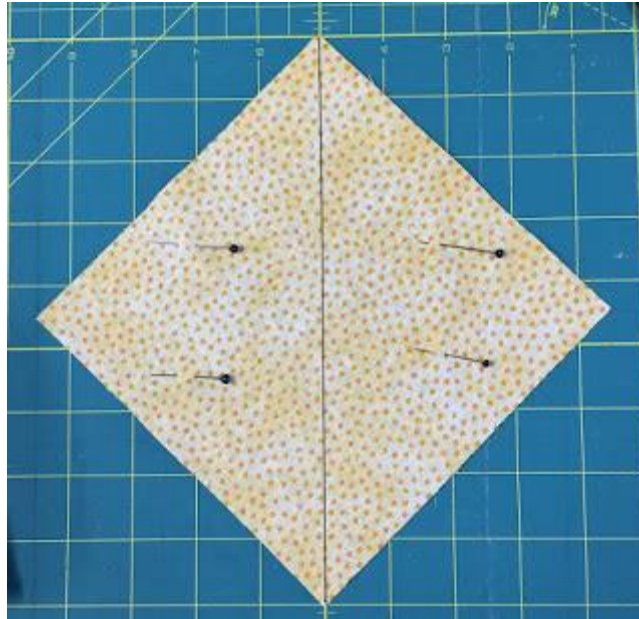
Join two of the pieces together to make a square and then make a second square
Press the seam allowances to one side



Take the two large squares of fabric and on the **WRONG SIDE** of whichever fabric will best show a drawn line, draw a line from corner to corner as shown below
This will later be the cutting line



Pin the green and the gold squares together, with right sides together
Position pins as shown, well to the sides of the drawn line



Sew a seam on both sides of the line, with the 1/4 patchwork foot position along the line



Remove the pins and cut along the drawn line
Open out the squares and press the seam allowance of both squares
towards the green, taking care to keep them square and not make "kites" ;-)



Lay out the four squares as shown



NOTE Follow this procedure to avoid unpicking squares sewn along the incorrect side

Pin the first two squares together as shown by flipping the right hand square over the left hand square at their adjoining edge



Then pin the remaining two squares



Stitch the seams and press the seam allowances into the square made up of four little squares - this will give locked seams making the next seam easier



Lay out the half block pieces
Pin with right sides together - the centre seam of the block should lock together well
if the seam allowances are pressed as described above
Press the seam allowances to one side

And there you have it...
the Green and Gold Diamond Block



Please don't trim any uneven edges as ALL blocks will be trimmed to make them
the size required for each quilt that is designed to meet the individual
Requirements of each Aussie Hero.

THANK YOU...immensely
for contributing your time and resources to make these blocks
used to make the quilts.

<http://aussieheroquilts.blogspot.com/2019/10/block-of-month-october-2019.html>

Please send your blocks to...

Aussie Hero Quilts
PO Box 248
Cherrybrook NSW 2126

Remember to include your email address and I will let you know when they arrive. Watch the Happy Mail Post on the Blog each Wednesday to see the blocks that have been received in the previous week.

Until next time,

Sandy