## **Block of the Month ~ March 2013**

## Shamrock

Makes a 12 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" unfinished block.

Shamrock: Greens Background: Black or White

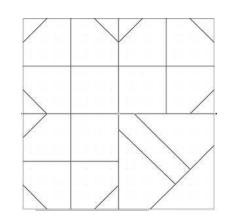
Cut:

(12) 3 ½"	Green squares
(1) 6 ½"	Green square
(9) 2 3/8"	Background square
(2) 5 ½"	Background square
(1) 4 ½"	Background square



Assembly:

- 1. Place (1) 2 3/8" background square on (1) 3 ½" green square and sew diagonal to create a snowball effect. Trim corner ¼" from seam. Press to the dark. Repeat for the remaining 8 green squares.
- 2. Assemble (3) four-patch blocks using 3 of the pieced green squares and (1) plain green square as shown in the below diagram.



- 3. Piece the stem by laying (1) 5 ½" background square on the top right corner of the 6 ½" green square. Sew diagonally across block, trim excess and press open. Repeat on the opposite corner with the other 5 ½" background square.
- 4. Place the 4  $\frac{1}{2}$ " background square in the lower corner of the 6  $\frac{1}{2}$ " green square and sew diagonal to shorten the stem. Trim and press.
- 5. Assemble the four blocks as indicated in the above diagram to complete the block.

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