TUTORIAL: "BIRDS IN THE AIR" QUILT BLOCK

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Finished size:

12" square

Materials needed:

One 12 7/8" square white fabric (for background)

Three 4 7/8" squares white fabric (for background)

Six 4 7/8" squares of prints or solid fabrics (make sure they contrast strongly with the white background fabric)

This is enough fabric to make 2 blocks.

Cutting:

Cut all pieces in half along the diagonal.

<u>Here is the 12 7/8" square.</u> For one block, you only need one of the triangles. Set the other aside for a second block.



Here are the 4 7/8" squares. For one block, you'll need 3 white triangles and 6 print/solid triangles. Set aside any extras for another block.



Piecing:
Lay out the pieces as shown.



Sew the small triangles together, working one row at a time. Press the seams open. Sew the rows together until you have one big half square triangle. Press. Then sew the large half square white triangle to the pieced half square triangle to finish the block.



Press block and trim it to 12 1/2" if needed.



For a 9 1/2" unfinished block:

You will need, one 9 7/8" square of white, or background fabric, cut on the diagonal, and three 3 7/8" square blocks of contrast or 6 contrasting triangles for the geese, with two 3 7/8" square of background fabric to sew them to.