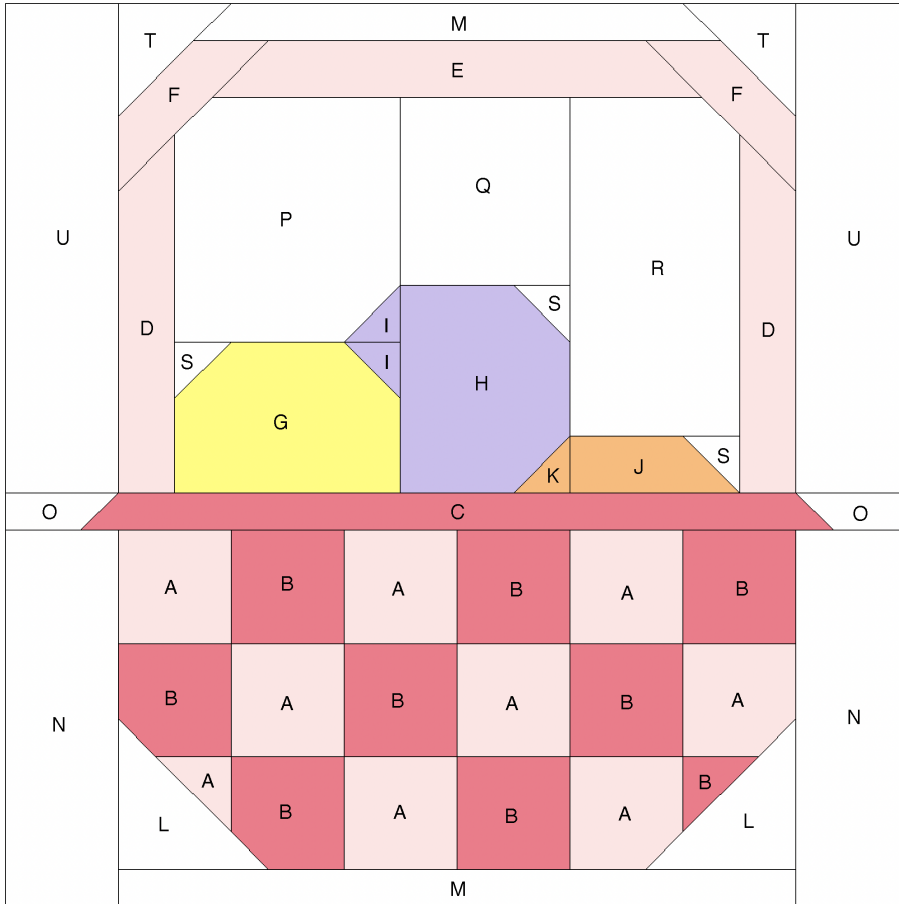


April 2023 Alternate Block of the Month - Easter Basket



Block size:
12" finished
(12½" unfinished)

Cutting Instructions

Basket light color:

- A - nine 2" squares
- D - two 1¼" x 5¾" rectangles
- E - one 1¼" x 9½" rectangle
- F - two 2½" squares

Basket dark color:

- B - nine 2" squares
- C - one 1" x 10½" rectangle

Egg #1:

- G - one 2½" x 3½" rectangle

Egg #2:

- H - one 2¾" x 3¼" rectangle
- I - two 1¼" squares

Egg #3:

- J - one 1¼" x 2¾" rectangle
- K - one 1¼" square

Background:

- L - two 2½" squares
- M - two 1" x 9½" rectangles
- N - two 2" x 5½" rectangles
- O - two 1" x 2" rectangles
- P - one 3½" x 3¾" rectangle
- Q - one 2¾" x 3" rectangle
- R - one 2¾" x 5" rectangle
- S - three 1¼" squares
- T - two 2" squares
- U - two 2" x 7" rectangles

Sewing Instructions

1. Using the A and B pieces, sew together a checkerboard pattern as shown.
2. Using two Ls, snowball the two bottom corners of the A-B checkerboard unit. Then sew one M to the bottom.
3. Sew an N to each side of the unit from step 2.
4. Using diagonal seams sew an O to each end of C. Ensure your seam directions match the diagram.
5. Sew the unit from step 4 to the top of the unit from step 3. (This makes the bottom of the basket.)
6. Use an S and an I to snowball two corners of G. Use an I to snowball one corner of P. Use an S and K to snowball two corners of H. Use an S to snowball one corner of J. Refer to the diagram to make sure you are working on the correct corners.
7. Sew the PI unit on top of the GSI unit. Sew Q on top of the HSK unit. Sew R on top of the JS unit. Then sew all three resulting units together as shown on the diagram.
8. Sew a D on each side of the unit from step 7. Then sew E to the top.
9. Using two Fs, snowball the top two corners of the unit from step 8. Then sew the other M to the top.
10. Using two Ts, snowball the top two corners of the unit from step 9. Then sew a U to each side. (This makes the top of the basket.)
11. Sew the unit from step 10 to the top of the unit from step 5.