

August 2026 Block of the Month – Spool

Too hot in this Oklahoma heat for quilting? Let's make it simple and easy with our traditional Spool pattern. This pattern is great for a scrap buster and can be arranged in a variety of ways. What better way to piece our exchange blocks together than to use a thread spool pattern?

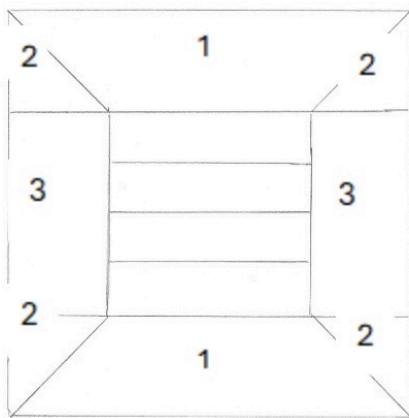
Patch	Fabric	Cut	Size	
1	Dark	2	3 ½" x 12 ½"	
2	Light	4	3 ½" x 3 ½"	
3	Light	2	6 ½" x 3 ½"	
4	Medium	4	2" X 6 ½"	Or Use an Exchange Block

Sewing Guide for Spool

This spool is made with connecting squares. Draw a diagonal line on reverse side of the 3 ½" squares. Place a 3 ½" square on opposite ends of the dark fabric rectangles following diagram for orientation of the angle. Sew on the marked line. Press the 3 ½" square into a triangle and trim.

For the thread patch, sew four 2" x 6 ½" strips together following diagram. Or use an exchange block for the thread patch.

Sew a 3 ½" x 6 ½" light fabric on each side of the thread, patch 4, or exchange block. Assemble the block. Block will measure 12 ½" unfinished.



Piecing Diagram



Original Block

Exchange Block