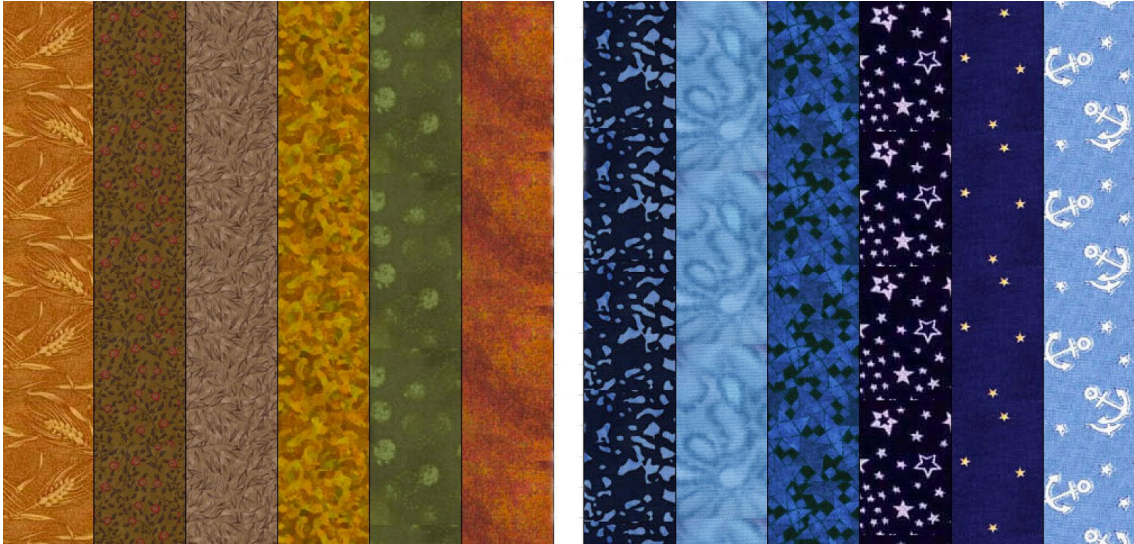


BLOCK OF THE MONTH TUTORIAL SEPTEMBER 2019

DEFENCE FORCE COLOUR BLOCKS



In October 2018, the Block of the Month Tutorial was for ARMY Blocks and the response was wonderful.

Contributors sent more of those blocks than any other Block of the Month.

I have used these blocks in SO MANY ways...as patchwork blocks eg. Post & Rail, as wide borders, narrow borders and cut small as joiners...see pictures below.





They've been great for making Soldiers' Quilts and great for quilts where the Recipient has asked for any "earthy" subject.
My supply of them is running low and so, this month I'm asking the BOM Squad to make more of these ARMY colour blocks
OR
make the same blocks in BLUE FABRICS for the NAVY and AIR FORCE Recipients' Quilts.

SUITABLE FABRICS TO USE IN EITHER COLOUR WAY

- Plain fabric
- Printed designs - preferably not pretty floral prints
- Textured prints
- Stripes, spots and geometric prints
- Tone-on-tone fabrics
- Bali prints

These are some of the fabrics I use to create ARMY quilts.



I've chosen them by picking out each of the colours in the Camouflage print or matching with a part of one of the ARMY uniforms.
Click one of these links to see images that might be helpful in choosing colours

[LINK #1](#)

[LINK #2](#)

These are some fabrics that would be suitable for the AIR FORCE and NAVY quilts.



Choose six fabrics in one of the colour ways, either
ARMY COLOURS
or
NAVY & AIR FORCE BLUES

They should have contrast between them, so the fabrics don't blend in with each other. The "stripes" of colour should be defined.

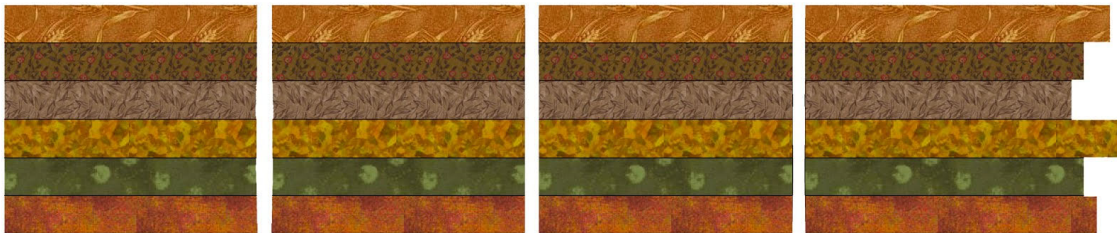
USE ONLY 100% COTTON FABRIC
USE 1/4 INCH SEAM ALLOWANCE

Cut a 2 inch strip of each fabric from selvedge to selvedge

Join them together, keeping one edge level

Press all the seam allowances firmly in one direction

Cut three pieces 10 ½ inch wide and leave the uneven edge on the fourth piece - it doesn't matter what length it is. ALL BLOCKS are trimmed to make them the size needed for each quilt that is designed.



Alternatively, cut 6 pieces of suitable fabrics 2 inch x 12 inch

Join them together, keeping one edge level

Press the seam allowances firmly in one direction

THE BLOCKS WILL BE RECTANGLES

THANK YOU
for making blocks for our Aussie Heroes' Quilts
They'll be made into quilts that meet the Requests of
deployed Aussie Heroes by the Coffs Harbour Sewing Team

Send finished blocks to

Aussie Hero Quilts
PO Box 248
Cherrybrook NSW 2126

include your email address and I will contact you when your blocks have arrived. Alternatively, view the Wednesday BOM Happy Mail to see all blocks received in the previous week.

PDF version of this block is [HERE](#)

Until next time,

Sandy