

Seymour Quilters' Guild Block of the Month - November 2025

Making a simple quilt block (Jelly Roll friendly)

Fabric Requirements to make 2 blocks:

One light strip which is $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF
One medium strip which is $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF

Step 1:

Stack the two strips together and cut 4 at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". You will have a total of 4 lights and 4 medium cut strips.

You should then have approximately 23" of each of the strips left over after cutting which will be used to make the 4 patch units.

Step 2:

Take two of the light and two of the medium $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " strips. Join one light and one medium $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " unit together, which will then measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ ". Repeat for the remaining unit. These two units will be used for the top and bottom of **one** block. The other two light and medium $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " strips will be used for your second block.

Step 3:

To make the 4 patches, you will sew the remaining 23" long strips with a $1/4$ " seam. Press and cut into $2\frac{1}{2}$ " segments. You will need a total of 8 of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " segments for two blocks. Layout will be like a 4 patch. Sew the 4 patches together.

Step 4:

For **one** block, you will need:

- two of the 4 patches sewn together; and
- the two units for the top and bottom of your block

Sew one unit measuring $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " to the top of the 2 four patch segments and the other unit measuring $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " to the bottom of the 2 four patch segments. Make sure the orientation is such that the light strip touches the light square on the outside of the 4 patch.

Repeat the layout for your second block.

Your blocks should be $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished, which means you will have an 8" x 8" finished block.

42 strips will yield 42 blocks measuring $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ ". Quilt top will measure 48 x 56 without any borders. If you want your quilt top to be bigger, just make up more strip units.

