

Finished block size: 12" square (unfinished is 12 ½" square)

It's time to be looking forward to Spring. These vibrant little beauties can chase away the winter time grays. Brightly colored wings on a sky blue background give you the first hint of Spring. Two sizes of half square triangles paired with some solid squares and voila! A delicate, colorful butterfly. Make one or make an entire flutter!

Fabric

- Scraps of sky blue or sky blue tone-on-tone print for the background
- Scraps of a brightly colored fabric solid or print for the butterfly wings. *Not suitable for directional fabrics*.

Cut

- Cut (1) 7" square of the background fabric (for the large half square triangles)
- Cut (3) 4" squares of the background fabric (for the small half square triangles)
- Cut (1) 7" square of the wing fabric (for the large half square triangles)
- Cut (3) 4" squares of the wing fabric (for the small half square triangles)
- Cut (2) 3 ½" squares of the wing fabric

Sew

- 1. Make the large half square triangle (HST): Pair the background 7" square with the wing 7" square, right sides together. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the background fabric. Sew a line ¼" away from each side of the line you drew. Cut along the line you drew. You will get two HSTs. Trim the HSTs to 6-1/2" square.
- 2. Make the small HSTs: Make the same as the large HSTs in step 1, pairing each background 4" square with a wing 4" square, right sides together. You will get two HSTs from each pair, for a total of six. Trim the HSTs to 3-1/2" square.
- 3. Arrange your two 6-1/2" HSTs together with the background in the center, making a "V" shape (see picture above). Sew together. Press the seam to the left.
- 4. Arrange the second row as follows: HST (background to the top left) $-3 \frac{1}{2}$ " wing square $-3 \frac{1}{2}$ " wing square $-4 \frac{1}{2}$ " wing squar
- 5. Arrange the third row as follows: HST (background to the bottom left) HST (background to the bottom right -- HST (background to the bottom left) HST (background to the bottom right). See picture above. Sew the squares together. Press the seams to the left.
- 6. Sew row 2 to row three, matching the seams. Press the seam down.
- 7. Sew row 1 to the top of the unit made in Step 6. Press the seam down.

Sample Quilt Layout

