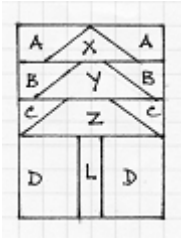


ROUGE VALLEY QUILTERS' GUILD – BLOCK OF THE MONTH

NOVEMBER 2008 - TREE



The following directions will make one tree block (unfinished $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$, finished size $6'' \times 8''$). For our strip quilt you will need two of these blocks but only bring one to the next meeting for the draw.

Background (your choice, but a light blue "sky" fabric looks good). SEE NOTE BELOW

Two rectangles, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ (A)

Two rectangles, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3''$ (B)

Two squares, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ (C)

Two rectangles $2\frac{3}{4}'' \times 3''$ (D)

Foliage (green)

One rectangle, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$ (X)

One rectangle, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$ (Y)

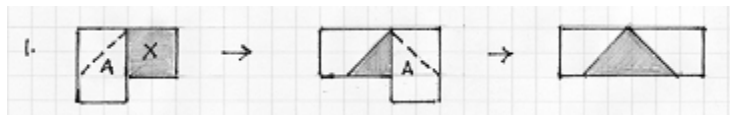
One rectangle, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ (Z)

Tree trunk (brown/black/grey)

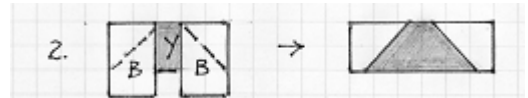
One rectangle $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{3}{4}''$ (L)

Construction:

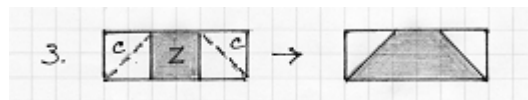
1. Add the $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ (A) background squares to the ends of the $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$ (X) green rectangle as shown in the diagram. Draw a diagonal line as shown and sew on the line. Trim away the excess and press back the background piece. Add a background (A) piece to each side of the green rectangle.



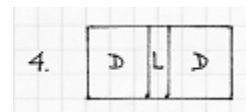
2. Repeat with the $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3''$ (B) background Rectangles and the $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$ (Y) green rectangle.



3. Repeat with the $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ (C) background squares and the $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ (Z) green rectangle.



4. Add the two background (D) rectangles ($2\frac{3}{4}'' \times 3''$) to the sides of the tree trunk rectangle(L). Press toward the fabric.



trunk

Join the four segments as shown in the diagram above. Press.

Note that the finished piece may end up slightly longer than the specified $8\frac{1}{2}''$. Leave for now.

Do not join the blocks to one another at this time.

NOTE: The light blue sky fabric will be used again in a later block. A fat quarter should be enough for the 2 tree blocks and the ones still to come.

Pattern based on one in *Quilts! Quilts! Quilts!* by Diana McClun and Laura Nownes (in our library).