

# Family Block of the Month: Baskets

## Block 6

10" finished block

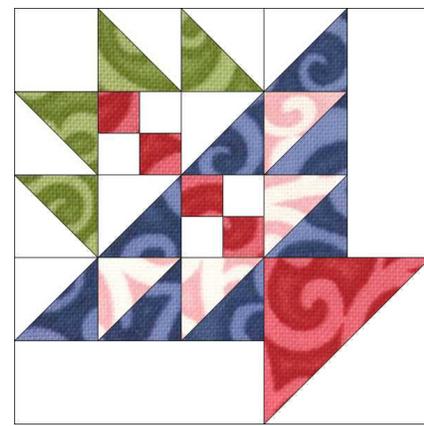
### Cutting:

#### Background:

- (1) 2 1/2" square
- (2) 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles
- (1) 5" square
- (1) 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangle
- (4) 3" squares

#### Basket:

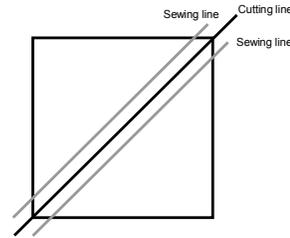
- (1) 5" red square
- (1) 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" red rectangle
- (4) 3" blue squares
- (2) 3" pink squares
- (2) 3" green squares



### Sewing:

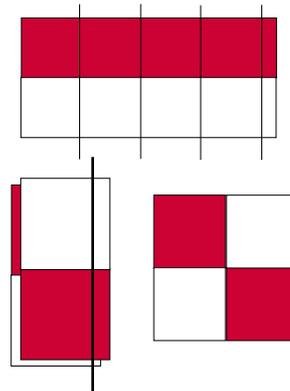
#### Body

Draw a diagonal line on the back of each 3" background square, and each 3" pink square, then draw a line 1/4" to each side. These are the sewing lines. Pair each pink square with a 3" blue square, and each white square with the green and remaining blue squares. With right sides together, sew along the two outer line, then cut along the center line. Press to the dark to form (12) half square triangle units. Trim to 2 1/2" square.



Draw a diagonal line on the back of the 5" background square, then draw a line 1/4" to each side. Pair the background square with the 6" red square. With right sides together, sew along the two outer line, then cut along the center line. Press to the dark to form (2) half square triangle units. Trim to 4 1/2" square. (You will only use one of these.)

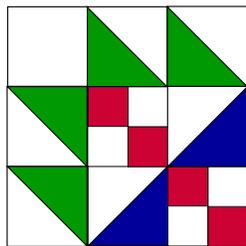
Match the background 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangle with the red 1 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangle. Place right sides together and sew along one long side. Press to the red, then subcut into (4) 1 1/2" segments. Discard the extra.



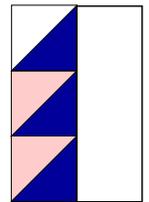
Place two 1 1/2" segments right sides together, with the red of one segment opposite the white of the other segment. Nest the seam allowances together so the seam fits tightly at the intersection. Sew to form a four patch. Repeat with the other two segments.

#### Basket Assembly

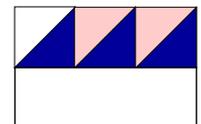
Section 1 - Sew the following pieces together to form a nine patch:



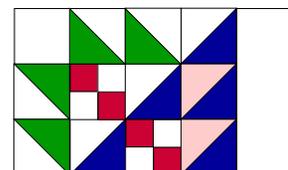
Section 2 - Sew two pink/blue half square triangles and one white/blue half square triangle together, then sew a 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" background rectangle to the side.



Section 3- Sew two pink/blue half square triangles and one white/blue half square triangle together, then sew a 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" background rectangle to the bottom.



Final Assembly- Lay out the four segments (Sections 1 - 3 plus the large red/white half square triangle). Sew Sections 1 and 2 together, and sew Section 3 and the half square triangle together.



Finally, sew the two pieces together to form the block.

