

April 2021 Q4CL block – Knots or not



or



**Fabrics**

4 bright colours – plain or patterned but no overtly florals please. You can use 4 of the same colour in one block (e.g. 4 blues or 4 greens) **but** they must be different enough from one another not to merge together. We want 4 distinctive ‘knots’

1 background fabric – can be true black or true white. If using white, white on white tone on tone is fine but **no** cream or ivory please

Because you need 2½” wide strips, leftover jelly roll strips are ideal

I’ve included pictures with both white and black background fabric for ease.

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**From each of the bright fabrics cut:**

- One piece  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$
- One piece  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$
- One piece  $6\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$

**From the background fabric cut:**

- Four pieces  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$
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Once you've cut your pieces, it might help to label them 1, 2, 3 and 4 as I've done or take a photo to refer back to



1. Sew each of the coloured  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  squares to a background  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  square. Press to the dark side. The resulting pieces should measure  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$



or



2. Sew each of the coloured  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  pieces to a background  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  piece. Press to the dark side. The resulting pieces should measure  $4\frac{1}{2}''$  x  $4\frac{1}{2}''$



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3. For each of the colours, sew the  $4\frac{1}{2}$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle from step 1 to the  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square from step 2, taking care to orient each piece correctly. Check with the picture below before sewing. Press. The resulting piece should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ "



Steps 4 – 7 are the tricky ones – if in doubt as to the orientation, check with the main pictures

4. Sew the  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 1 rectangle to the  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 2 rectangle. Press. The resulting piece should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ "



5. Sew the  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 2 rectangle to the  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 3 rectangle. Press. The resulting piece should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$  x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ "



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6. Sew the  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 3 rectangle to the  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 4 rectangle.  
Press. The resulting piece should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ "



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7. Sew the  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 4 rectangle to the  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " fabric 1 rectangle.  
Press. The resulting piece should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ "



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You should now have 4 squares



or



8. Sew the pieces from step 4 (top left on main pictures) and step 5 (top right on main pictures) together, again checking the orientation. Press towards the top left piece. The resulting piece should measure 12½" x 6½"



or



9. Sew the pieces from step 6 (bottom right on main pictures) and step 7 (bottom left on main pictures) together, again checking the orientation. Press towards the bottom right piece. The resulting piece should measure 12½" x 6½"



or



10. Sew the pieces from step 8 (top row on main pictures) and step 9 (bottom row on main pictures) together, again checking the orientation. The seam in the centre should nest nicely. Press.

11. Measure and trim to 12½" x 12½".