



Rocket City

Modern Quilt Guild

BOM Skillbuilder

Over the next year and a half, we will be working to expand our skills by doing a pared down version of Pile of Fabric's 2013 Block of the Month (BOM) Skillbuilder project. This month we will start with an overview of the final quilt, skills to be learned, and supply and fabric requirements. We have selected 12 of the original 20 blocks and will work at a pace of 1 block per month. New blocks will be issued at Sewing Saturdays for some hands on help!

Quilt Preview



Skills Covered

- Improvisational Piecing
- Half Square and Quarter Square Triangles
- Sewing Bias Seams
- Paper Piecing
- Improvisational Paper Piecing
- Insetting a Circle
- Improvisational Small Strip Piecing
- Improvisational Curved Piecing
- Fusible Grid for Pixel Piecing
- Triangles on a Roll for HST
- Machine Applique
- Y seams by Machine

Schedule

2018

July 7:	Project overview and supply/fabric requirements
August 4:	Block 1: The Sound Wave Block (Lesson 1)
September: SKIP	(Charity Sew Day)
October 6:	Block 2: The Mood Block (Lesson 2)
November 3:	Block 3: Woven Star Block (Lesson 3)
December 1:	Block 4: Switz Block (Lesson 5)

2019

January 5:	Block 5: Broken Arrow Block (Lesson 6)
February 2:	Block 6: Saturn Block (Lesson 7)
March: SKIP	(Charity Sew Day)
April 6:	Block 7: Candyland Block (Lesson 7)
May 4:	Block 8: Pixelate Block (Lesson 8)
June 1:	Block 9: Phoenix Block (Lesson 8)
July 6:	Block 10: Modern Beauty Block (Lesson 9)
August 3:	Block 11: Strip Triangle Block (Lesson 10)
September: SKIP	(Charity Sew Day)
October 5:	Block 12: Starlight Block (Lesson 10)
November 3:	Joining the Blocks
December 7:	Border and Binding

Supply List

<i>Basics (On Hand)</i>	<i>Required</i>
Sewing machine	Open toed "darning"/ Free Motion Quilting foot for your sewing machine
Iron	Coordinating 40wt thread (one spool each for Colors 1, 2, 3 and 4)
Pressing surface	Chalk pencil, water soluble pen, or other marking implement
Prefered starch	Compass or Circle Rotary cutter (only needed for Saturn Block in Feb)
Fabric scissors	Sewing Machine with a zigzag stitch (only needed for Modern Beauty Block in July)
Lint roller	Sulky Monofilament Thread (only needed for Modern Beauty Block in July)
Basting spray, pins, or thread as prefered	Paper scissors
Rotary Cutter	<i>Suggested</i>
Cutting Mat	Add a Quarter Plus ruler
6" x 24" ruler	12.5" x 12.5" ruler for squaring blocks
	Fons and Porter Triangle Trimmers
	¼" foot for your sewing machine

<i>Available in Guild Supplied Kit (~\$10-\$15)</i>
3 Elmer's washable glue sticks
Elmer's washable glue in bottle
½ yard Pellon 820 Quilter's Grid fusible interfacing
3 rows of 1.5" Half Square Triangle paper by Triangles on a Roll
Shout Color Catchers
Cuticle stick
Freezer Paper
Fine tip for Elmer's Glue bottle

Fabric Requirements

Note: These are estimated amounts. Many of our blocks are improvisational in nature, so you may wish to buy a little more than is listed here.

- Color 1 ~ ½ yard or 4 fat eighths (Orange in example)
- Color 2 ~ ½ yard or 4 fat eighths (Purple in example)
- Color 3 ~ ½ yard or 4 fat eighths (Yellow in example)
- Color 4 ~ ½ yard or 4 fat eighths (Coral/Red in example)
- Background Color ~ 5 yards
- Batting: Twin sized precut **OR** 12 17" squares, and ~1 ¼ yard for the borders.
- Backing Fabric ~ 5 ¼ yards **OR** 12 18" squares and ~1 ¼ yard for the borders
- Binding ~ ½ yard

Selecting Your Fabrics:

<https://pileoffabric.com/blogs/modern-quilting/15172509-fabric-and-color-choice-skill-builder-bom>