



# Whitlock's Weekly Whimsy

## Week 28

### Block 9

#### Cutting:

<i>Fabric</i>	<i>Measurements</i>
Color 1	1 @ 3 ½ x 3 ½ 2 @ 2 ⅜ x 2 ⅜
Color 5	2 @ 2 x 2 2 @ 2 ⅜ x 2 ⅜ 1 @ 4 ¾ x 4 ¾
Color 6	2 @ 2 x 2
Color 8	1 @ 4 ¾ x 4 ¾

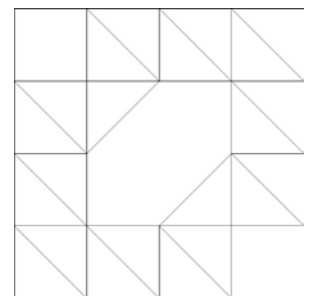
#### Techniques:

Magic 8 HST

Snowball  
Corners

#### Block Breakdown:

This is a pretty simple block once you get started. The hardest part will be deciding which way to go as there is really no ‘wrong’ way to do it. You could make this in quadrants. You would make two with pieced corners & HST and two with HSTs. This would be a very simple way to do it; however, it will make your center/focus square pieced. That is not really a problem if you have a small print, but as the print gets larger you will notice the seams more and it will look a bit choppy. To minimize the choppiness, I have decided to leave the center piece as one large block and add “snowball” corners to it, resulting in one larger piece instead of four smaller. The rest of the block can be made with a Magic 8 HST.



#### Sewing:

Begin with the 3 ½ square of Color 1 and the 2” squares of Color 5. Draw a line diagonally on the back of Color 5. Layer RST on opposite corners on Color 1. Sew just one thread to the outside of the line. Press towards color 1. Trim away the back two layers of the corners.



#### HST

Use Color 8 and Color 5 to make your Magic 8. Press towards Color 5 and trim to 2” You will only need 6.

You will also need four HST from Color 5 and Color 1. I have listed cutting them for HST 2 at a time, but you could easily use the 4 at a time method as they are not corner pieces. Whichever method you choose, press towards Color 1. Trim to 2”

Time to take all those HST and sew them into pairs. It is important that you pay attention to the placement. So make sure to follow the diagram. Make 2 of each. Press towards Color 1

Top/Bot      Sides



Lay out your blocks. You will be sewing together in rows.

