River Heritage Block-of-the-Month Mystery Quilt

Month 4 – *Lighted Bridge*

Welcome to the fourth month in the **River Heritage** *Block-of-the-Month Mystery Quilt! Lighted Bridge* is made of four large flying geese (depicting the lighted cables and their reflection in the river) and three strips (sky, bridge roadway, and water).

Follow the instructions for value (light, medium, and dark) and use your own color scheme to make your bridge block. Remember to check your values by taking a black and white picture of your fabric choices.

I look forward to seeing the variety of bridges we make!

Lighted Bridge uses light fabric for the two bridge cables, medium for the lighted night sky and reflected cables, and dark for the bridge roadway and water.

Cutting Instructions

From light fabrics: From dark fabrics:

Two - $3\frac{1}{2}$ x $6\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangles One -1 x $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch strip for bridge roadway

From medium fabrics: Four $-3\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares for water

Two $-3\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangles One $-3 \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ inch strip for water for reflected cables

One $-3\frac{1}{2} \times 12\frac{1}{2}$ inch strip for sky

Four $-3\frac{1}{2}$ inch squares for sky **RST = right sides together**

Flying Geese: Draw a diagonal line on the reverse side of the four medium and four dark squares. Position a medium square RST on the corner of a light rectangle. Stitch on the line. Press. Peel back the top triangle of the square you just pressed and trim the middle layer to ¼ inch from the seam to reduce bulk. Repeat this process at the opposite corner of the rectangle. Flying Geese should be 3 ½ x 6 ½ inches. Trim if necessary. Repeat with second light rectangle. Makes two light flying geese.

Align one light flying geese RST on another, making sure they are facing the same direction. Stitch on the right side. Press seam open.

Position a dark square RST on the corner of a medium rectangle. Repeat instructions for Flying Geese above. Repeat with second medium rectangle. Makes two medium flying geese.

Align one medium flying geese RST on another, making sure they are facing the same direction. Stitch on the right side. Press seam open.

Block Assembly:

Refer to the picture to lay pieces in order from top to bottom.

Place medium strip RST on light flying geese. Stitch; press to strip.

Place dark 1-inch strip RST on light flying geese. Stitch; press to strip.

Place dark 3-inch strip RST on bottom of medium flying geese. Stitch; press to strip.

Place medium flying geese on 1-inch strip RST. Stitch; press to strip.

Trim and square block to 12 ½ inches.

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Month Five will be posted on May14, 2018 at www.blog.creativebeestudios.com.