

April Pretty Posy Block

We suggest cutting your background square 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ". After doing your applique trim the block to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Use the attached PDF and trace the $\frac{1}{4}$ image to make templates. You may use any applique method that you are comfortable with.

Michele did needle turn, Katherine did machine applique with turned under edges. Other techniques might be freezer paper, raw edge or fusible. If you choose one other than fusible be sure to add up to $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the design for turning under.

Rather than take up newsletter space I am going to suggest that you use a friendly quilt guild member or a You-tube tutorial for tips on how to applique.

You should have 4 basic pieces: (use bright or spring like colors)

10 $\frac{3}{4}$ " background square of a light color.

One center circle of your darkest color

A small scale or solid set of center pedals

A medium scale for the outer pedals.

Mark the center of your block and center your flower on this. I prefer not to have multiple layers behind the pieces. So I applique the center to the inner pedals and then the inner pedals to the outer pedals and finally the flower as a whole to the background. I trim out the bulk to within $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance after each sequence. When the final appliqueing is done give it a gentle PRESS.

As always make as many as you like and have fun.

If you have questions you can always contact a member of the block committee.