Go Sew A Kite!

The March block combines simple paper piecing and traditional piecing.

I drafted my paper piecing block directly on to tear away stabilizer.

Draw a square 6” and add ¼” seam allowances all the way around. On the inside (6”) line mark a dot 4” down on the left side of the block and then make another dot 4” in from the left side. Connect each of the dots with the lower right hand corner of the 6” lines. Draw another line from the dot on the left to the dot on the top. You should see your basic kite shape now.

Use basic paper piecing techniques. You can access tutorials on You Tube or call a guild friend who can walk you through that process if you are unfamiliar with it. Piece as numbered.

Out of your background fabric cut two 6 ½” squares, two 3 ½” squares and four 2” squares. Out of bright scraps cut four different 2” squares piece each of the 2” colored squares together with the 2” background squares. Piece again to make two four by four units. Piece these with the two 3 ½” background squares according to the suggested diagram. You should now have one paper pieced 6 ½” square, two 6 ½” background squares and one 6 ½” four by four square. Piece these four squares together according to the diagram. You should now have a 12 ½” square that looks like a kite with a tail.