

# CRGQG Block of the Quarter Program



Block 1

Block 2

## Autumn Safari

This block is due at the November CRGQG Meeting.

*NOTE: A color version of these instructions is posted in the Member Area of the CRGQG website.*

### Finished Block: 7" X 7"

IMPORTANT: Before you begin to sew this block, please check to be sure your kit includes all of the following pieces:

#### Freezer Paper Block Pattern

8 large fabric pieces

4 small fabric pieces

#### Technique Overview:

**This block is constructed using Freezer Paper Template Piecing.** This technique uses the same type of pattern you might use in Paper Piecing, but you don't stitch through the paper. Instead, you pre-cut the freezer paper templates, press them onto the back of the fabric, cut the shape out, adding 1/4" seam allowances. Then you use the freezer paper as a stitching guide to create those sharp points.

This technique is especially valuable when you are assembling pieces that are unusual shapes or wedges.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Carefully and accurately cut each template out on the solid lines. The more accurately you cut, the more precise your finished block.

2. Next, press each freezer paper template shiny side down onto the wrong side of your fabric. Using a ruler and rotary cutter, cut each piece with an added 1/4" seam allowance all the way around.



3. Lay the pieces out to create your block design and to ensure you know what goes where.



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4. Carefully pin A to B with right sides together, lining up the edges and points of both templates.



**Hint:** Poke a positioning pin through both pieces exactly at the end points of both top and bottom templates. Hold this positioning pin vertically while you use a second pin to secure the seam for sewing. Remove the positioning pin and sew..

5. Stitch the seam, working slowly and carefully stitching along the edge of the paper template.



6. Press the seams open, but keep the paper in place. Assemble remaining AB pieces.



7. Join AB unit to C piece as shown below. Complete all four ABC units.

8. Sew two ABC units together to form 1/2 of the block. Complete the block by sewing the two halves together, carefully matching points in the center with a positioning pin and securing with a pin on each side of the center.



**9. DO NOT REMOVE THE FREEZER PAPER.** The freezer paper templates must remain in place to assemble the blocks accurately.

**BRING YOUR FINISHED BLOCK TO THE NEXT GUILD MEETING.**

Please fill in the raffle ticket and place it in the ziploc bag along with your finished block.

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**You do not need to be present to win!** If you are unable to come to the next meeting, you can send your ziploc bag with a friend or mail\* your block and raffle ticket to: Kathleen Roulet, PO Box 1308, Stevenson, WA 98648.

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*\*Mailed blocks must be received by the Friday prior to the guild meeting to be included in the drawing.*



## **Autumn Safari**

**Horizontal Layout:** 42" X 49"

**Number of Blocks required:** 42