

Roosting Robin

Round Two

In this round, you have some choices, and you get to be challenged! By now you have your center medallion and your lovely half square triangle borders attached – right? AND you're paying close attention to your measurements – right? Remember that part of your challenge with this project is to get accurate seams and measurements, and then everything fits together 😊

At this point your quilt top should measure 24 ½" (unfinished measurement, including your seam allowance). If it doesn't, then you need to fix this. If you really get stuck on how to fix it, please speak up so that someone can help you.

We're turning our quilt on point in this round, and you have some options for how to do this.

Option 1 – Whole triangles in a solid or tone on tone where an interesting quilting design can be featured later.

Option 2 – Whole triangles of a large scale or theme print

Option 3 – Solid triangles to be used as a background for some applique

Option 4 – Two smaller triangles sewn to a pieced block to make each large triangle

...and the most challenging of all...

Option 5 – Pieced triangle made of smaller units

Don't worry!! We're not finished here. We're going to walk you through these options, and then you can decide what you'd like to do 😊

For Options 1,2, and 3: You will need 4 triangles that measure 17" on the short side. To get these triangles, cut two 19" squares, then cut them in half diagonally, and sew these on to the four sides of your quilt. These triangles will be a little oversized, so you can trim them when you're finished – better too large than too small, right?!

If you're doing one of these options... you can now decide what you was to do with those triangles – save them for quilting in later... maybe some applique flowers to go with your basket, ... or mice running around for that kitty to chase, maybe a butterfly and some honeybees? The possibilities are endless. If you get stumped, speak up because there are lots of very creative people that can help you!

When your triangles are in place, you want to trim and make sure you measure at 34 ½" at this point (including your seam allowance).

This round you get a second step – after you've added your triangles, you are going to add a solid 1" border, so cut your strips 1 ½" wide to allow for your seam allowance and put on some borders 😊

Option 4: The finished size of each of the four triangles has to be 17" which will allow for an 8" pieced block to be included. You will need four 10" squares cut along one diagonal to make the 8 small triangles to be sewn to the pieced block to make the 4 large triangles. With the 8" block, your top should measure 34 ½" after adding the triangles. After you've added your triangles, add a 1" finished border (cut your border strips 1 ½").

If you want to use a 9" block, you will need 18" triangles. But before you begin, your center piece needs to be 26" (including seam allowance) before adding your triangles, so go bind a pretty little fabric of your choice and add a little tiny border ($\frac{3}{4}$ " will be just right) so that you're at 26" before adding your 18" triangles. That should take care of the overlap problems, and you will skip the solid border. Once you've added your corner triangles, your top should measure $36\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Option 5: An example – sewing lots of small triangles together to make the large one, like an overall pieced triangle instead of just a pieced block set into a large triangle.

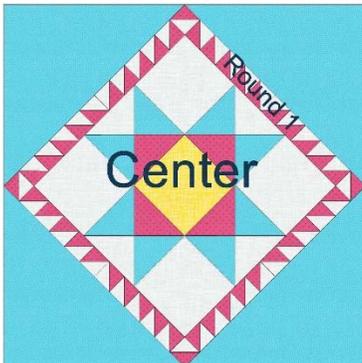
Another choice could be to make these triangles crumb blocks. Wow!

For option 5 you want to add your $\frac{3}{4}$ " border to your center piece before you begin, and you will be making 18" triangles. If your top measures $34\frac{1}{2}$ " after your triangles, then add a 1" finished border. If it measures $36\frac{1}{2}$ ", then leave the border off.

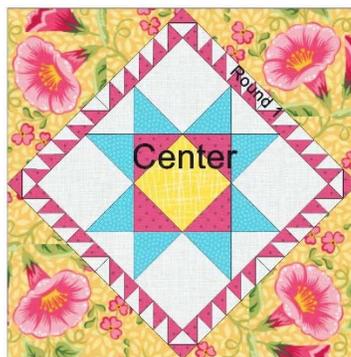
Your top should measure $36\frac{1}{2}$ " square at the end of this round.

*REMEMBER that you may do as many or as few rounds as you'd like – its YOUR quilt 😊

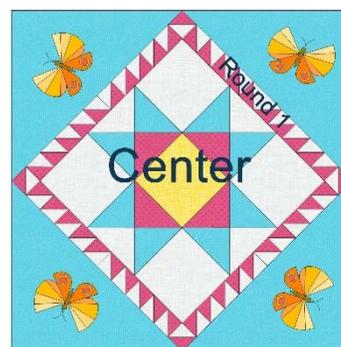
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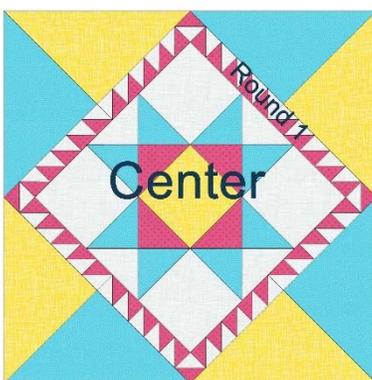
Option 2



Option 3



Option 4



Option 5

Use any pieced triangle that you want

