



## February's Birthstone BOM: Amethyst

This month's BOM is reminiscent of the February birthstone, the amethyst.

**Fabrics:** 3-4 different tone-on-tones in light, medium and dark purples for the stone; red tone on tones for the corners;  
*No high contrast florals, geometrics, or other colors.*

**Size:** 12.5" raw

**Amount:** bring them in sets of two, and make an extra block for yourself to keep (in your own color/fabric choices) so you can have enough blocks for a sampler quilt of your own at the end of the year!

The directions below are for **one** block - remember you need to make **two** to turn in!  
The guild's website has a pdf with templates, if you'd rather use that.

**BIAS EDGE ALERT:** *Several components of the block will have bias edges. Be careful not to stretch when pressing/sewing.*

**Corners** (the quick, shortcut way):

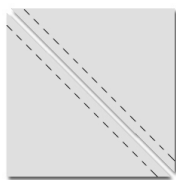
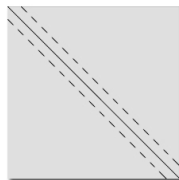
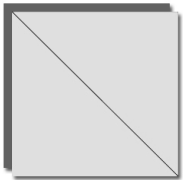
Red - (2) 4" squares

Purple - (2) 4" squares

2nd purple fabric- (2) 3 7/8" squares cut on the diagonal for a total of 8 triangles.

1) Place 1 red and 1 purple square right sides together. Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the opposite, and sew 1/4" away from the line on both sides. Cut on the original drawn line. Press seams to one side. Trim both to 3.5" square. Repeat with other pair of red and purple squares.

2) Sew 2 of the 2nd purple triangles to the purple sides of the HST's you just made to make the large corner pieces.



**Center:**

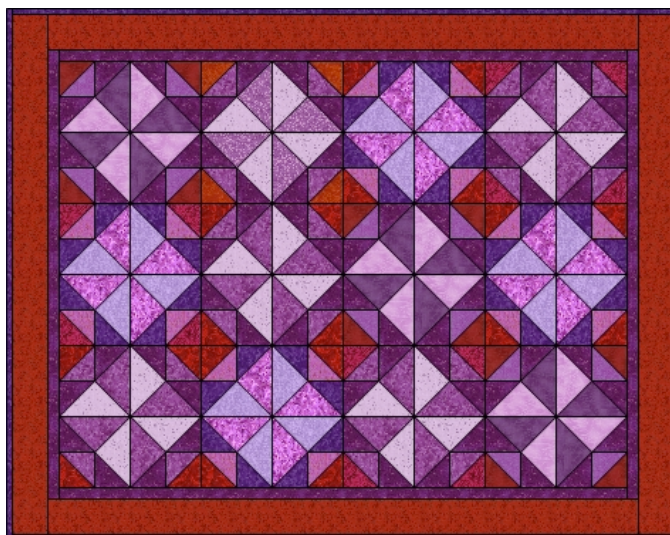
Light Purple - (2) 5.5" squares

Med/Dark Purple - (2) 5.5" squares

Follow the above quick-piecing directions to make 4 HST's. Trim each HST to 4.75"

Form the pinwheel and sew together so they all spin the same way, as shown above.

Attach the four large corner sections to the sides of the pinwheel. Block should measure 12.5" square.



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Key Block (29/100 actual size)

