

## 2023 Friendship Block Exchange

The friendship block exchange is a great way to try a lot of different patterns, increase your quilting skills, and to have fun making new friends along the way.

Each participant will complete one block for each of the other members of your Friendship group of about six to eight people. Beginning in February, the first person on the list will provide a pattern and detailed instructions for everyone in the group, and you will have until the following guild meeting to finish the block. Each person in the group will take their turn respectively.

First, decide on a block you would like to have made. The block should be up to a 12 inch finished block (12.5 inches unfinished). KEEP IT SIMPLE! No applique. Obtain or design a pattern. There are many websites that offer free quilt block patterns.

Here are a few websites:

https://www.quilterscache.com/QuiltBlocksGalore.html

https://www.pinterest.com/mypatty/quilt-block-library/

https://www.quiltingdaily.com/free-quilt-block-patterns-library-from-mccalls-quilting/

Next, determine your color and fabric choices. Provide clear and detailed instructions. If you prefer a specific fabric, you may wish to supply it along with your instructions. Include a basic drawing or picture of the block.

You will return your completed blocks at the next month's guild meeting. Everyone's blocks will be held until the exchange is completed. Be sure to pin a label with your name on each block you make.

Finally, enjoy the process! Remember this is a Friendship exchange—with the focus on the "Friendship".

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