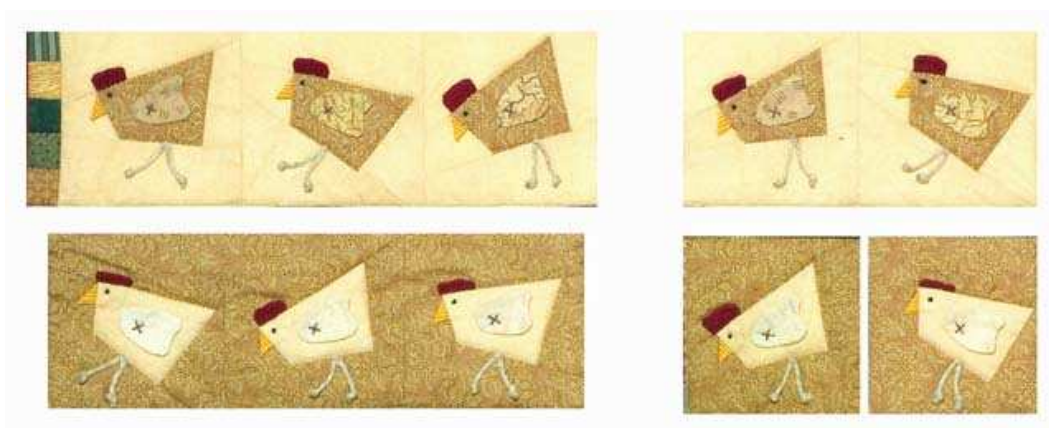




"BLOCK OF THE MONTH"

MARCH



BOM 3

Blocks with hens

Method: needle-turn appliqué and combined cutting technique

Pattern: hen

Block size finished: 10.0 x 10.0 cm

Block size cut: 11.5 x 11.5 cm

Fabrics used:

Fabric A	hens
Fabric C	hens
Fabric J	comb
Fabric R	beak
Fabric B	wings for dark hens
Light natural	wings for light hens

Cutting:

Hens block	Fabric A	5 X	19 x 19 cm
	Fabric C	5 X	19 x 19 cm
Totally Stable		1 X	19 X 19 cm
Beak	Fabric R	10 X	3.5 x 3.5 cm
Comb	Fabric J	10 X	(see pattern)
Wings	Fabric B	5 X	(see pattern)
	Light natural	5 X	(see pattern)

Method : 3 dimensional appliqué

For this method, the motif is sewn, right sides together and turned inside out and then sewn on (i.e.wing) or taken into the seam (comb)

Compared to classical appliqués, which consist of one fabric layer, the turned appliqué has two fabric layers. As a result it has a more vivid effect so that the motif seems to be livelier. Totally Stable is used as cutting aid for the motifs and saves drawing of the templates onto the reverse side of the fabric.

1st Step

For the wings transfer the pattern 10 X to the dull side of the Totally Stable and cut along the drawn outline.

2nd Step

Iron the 10 pattern wings onto the wrong side of the respective fabric, 5 X onto the light fabric and 5 X onto the darker fabric.

3rd Step

Cut out the fabric with seam allowance on all sides and place, right sides together on another piece of fabric. Sew together along the Totally Stable template edge.

4th Step

For turning, snip carefully into the fabric seam allowance almost up to the stitching. Pull off Totally Stable template and cut seam allowance back to 5 mm.

5th Step

Snip seam allowance carefully all around almost to the seam. Turn the wings and close the opening by hand.

6th Step

Sew the combs also as three-dimensional appliqué, but leave the seam open at the link to the body. Turn the combs through this opening.

Beak

For the beak triangle fold the square fabric left to left horizontally so that a rectangle is created.



Fold the rectangle again vertically so that another square is created.



Fold the square diagonally so that a triangle is created. The open fabric edges are now on top of each other and may be taken into the seam allowance.



Hens block

The hens are sewn in combined cutting technique (see lesson BOM 2)

For constructing the blocks the "Paper piecing" method is applied.

The individual pieces are sewn together according to the numbers on the pattern.

When sewing together, start at the centre and work towards the outside so that overlapping fabric gets to the outer edge of the block.

Sew piece 1 and 2 together.

Sew piece 3 on 1/2, include the beak triangle with the seam.

Straighten the upper edge and sew on piece 4.

Straighten the upper edge and sew on piece 5. Include the comb into the seam.

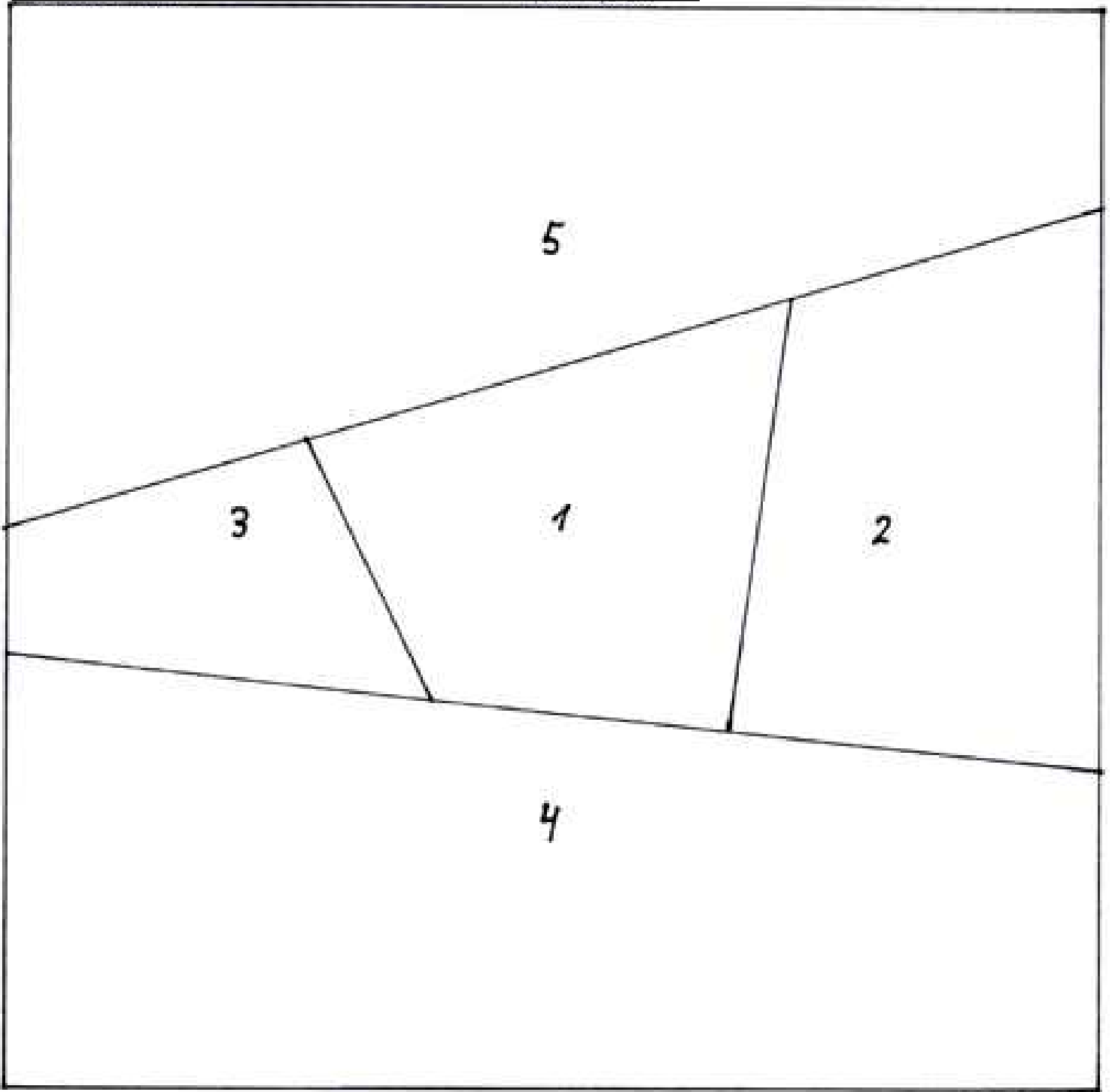
Cut the blocks to the exactly needed block size of 11.5 x 11.5 cm. When cutting, take care that all the hens have a slightly different orientation so that a varied visual aspect is achieved.

Tip:

Sew on the wings, eyes, and legs of the hens after quilting.

BOM 3:
Block with hen

Cutting measurements for fabric and Totally Stable 19,0 x 19,0 cm
Block finished size 10,0 x 10,0 cm
Block cut 11,5 x 11,5 cm



10 cm

