

National Grange Quilt Block Contest

The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to both members and prospective members. Only one quilt block per person will be judged. A 2018 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for each block. Download the form from www.orgrange.org/grange-workers-activities

Groups:

1. Adult (Age 14+)
2. Junior (Age 13 and under)

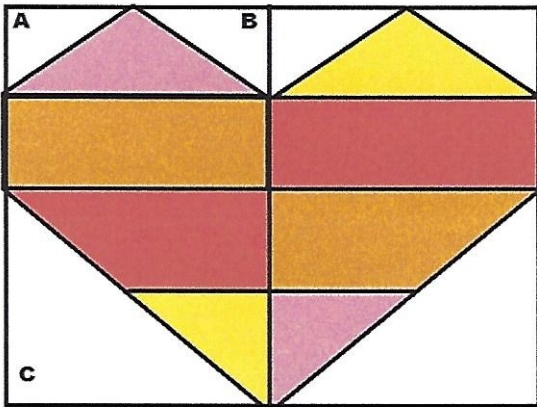
NEW 2018 Pattern: Tender Heart (Missouri Star Quilt Company)

Sherbet Pink / Oranges – 4 colors, 2 light & 2 dark – prints or solids

- Cut 4 strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 10" (one of each color)
- Sew strips together (all seams are $\frac{1}{4}$ "), along the long side, to make a strip set.
- Strip set should measure $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 10". Press all seams.
- Cut strip set in half, length-wise, to make 2 rectangles. Each rectangle should measure 5" x $8\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- Flip one rectangle around so colors are reversed.

White

- Use 100% cotton, solid white for the corners.
- Cut 4 squares $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".
- Cut 2 squares 5" x 5".



Constructing the Quilt Block

1. Fold the four $2\frac{1}{2}$ " white squares once on the diagonal and press the crease to mark a sewing line.
2. Place a creased $2\frac{1}{2}$ " white square on one corner of the 5" x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " strip-pieced rectangle with right sides facing. Stitch on the sewing line, then trim the excess fabric $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the sewn seam (A).
3. Repeat for the adjacent side of the rectangle (B). Make 2 and sew them together vertically.
4. Fold the two 5" white squares once on the diagonal and press the crease to mark a sewing line (C).

5. Place a creased 5" white square on top of one lower corner of the block with right sides facing. Stitch on the marked sewing line, then trim the excess fabric $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the sewn seam.
6. Repeat for the other side of the rectangle to make the bottom of the heart.

Unfinished block is $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ ".

State Judging: Entries received in the GWA exhibit area at the Clatsop County Fair & Expo no later than **noon on Sunday June 24** will be judged to determine Oregon's winners. The 1st place winner in each group will be sent to National Grange for judging. Second and third place winners will receive ribbons.

All quilt blocks not sent to National will be retained and used to make an item for the oral auction to benefit the GWA Committee.

National Judging: Anyone may send entries directly to the National Grange contest. All contest submissions must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by **October 31, 2018**. Send your blocks with submission forms to:

Christine Hamp, National Lecturer
16418 N. Birdie Road
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- Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 152nd National Grange Convention in Stowe, Vermont.
- All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished quilts and will be sold at a later date to raise funds for the Grange Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity. You will receive a donation letter from the Grange Foundation acknowledging your donation.
- National Grange will award monetary prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in both Groups. Ribbons will be awarded for all entries.