

August Block of the Month: 20th Century Modern Block

Try using Solid Fabrics – Kona Cotton

Cut a square to 7" x 7", this is your foundation block to appliqué, fuse remaining blocks down onto—for a layered modern look.

Cut an unequal square at 4 1/2" x 5 1/2"

Cut a perfect square at 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

Then finally, cut a 2" x 2" square.

This modern block, reminiscent of 20th Century art by Victor Vasarely will not be perfect or in proportion. It's a block on block.

Directions:

Several techniques to complete 20th century modern block.

1. Appliqué (your favorite method) 2. Fusible web. Another quite easy technique is to iron under the edges of the (3) blocks about 1/4" (remember this is not perfect or in proportion). 7" x 7" block will be used to layer upon, trying centering the squares on squares to give a radiating look. Easy technique:

Use Ellen's Best Press® starch to iron the edges under. Then take favorite sewing machine & button hole stitch the 4 1/2" x 5 1/2" to 7" x 7" foundation block. Next, button hole stitch 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

block on top of last block, then take 2" x 2" square block and stitch on top of 3 1/2" x 3 1/2". Pressing edges under gives a clean, durable look. At last, modernism in a quilt block to give, hold on to, or create over & over.

