

## Silent Night Sampler: Day 11

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Our final block is the cardinal, a popular symbol of winter. We chose a cardinal block because we loved the darker red tree print and a red bird seemed like the perfect place to use it!



Block measures 12" square finished.

### **Cutting:**

#### ***From the cream:***

- One 3-1/2" square
- Four 3" squares
- Seven 2-1/2" squares
- One 2" x 8-1/2" piece
- Two 1-1/2" x 10-1/2" pieces
- Two 1-1/2" x 12-1/2" pieces

#### ***From the dark red:***

- One 4-1/2" x 6-1/2" piece
- One 3-1/2" square
- Two 3" squares

#### ***From the black/gold:***

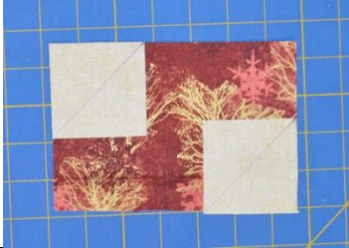
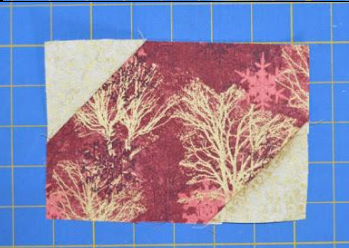



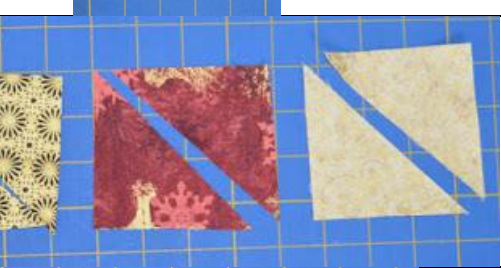
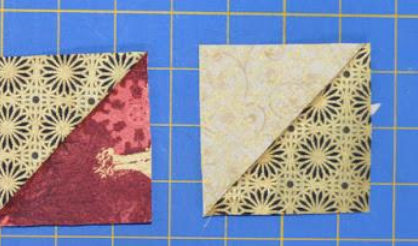
- One 1" x 8-1/2" piece
- One 3-1/2" square

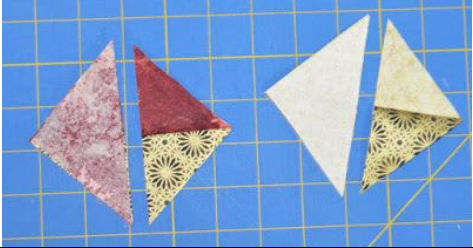
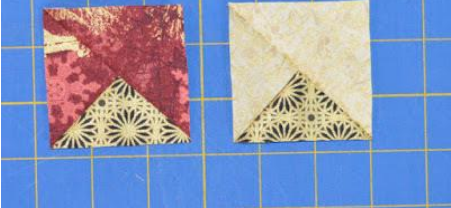



#### ***From the green:***

- Two 3" squares



Green squares not pictured.

<p><b>Step 1:</b> Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of two 2-1/2" cream squares. Position right sides together on the 4-1/2" x 6-1/2" dark red piece as shown.</p>	
<p><b>Step 2:</b> Stitch on the drawn lines, trim seam allowance to 1/4", and press open.</p>	
<p><b>Step 3:</b> Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of two 3" cream squares. Position each right sides together on a 3" dark red square.</p>	
<p><b>Step 4:</b> Stitch 1/4" on each side of the drawn line, cut on the drawn line, and press HST units open. Trim each to measure 2-1/2" square. You'll have four red/cream HST units.</p>	
<p><b>Step 5:</b> In the same way, make four green/cream HST units.</p>	
<p><b>Step 6:</b> Cut the 3-1/2" gold/black, dark red, and cream squares diagonally in half once as shown.</p>	
<p><b>Step 7:</b> Sew a gold/black triangle to a dark red triangle and a gold/black triangle to a cream triangle. Press both open.</p> <p><b>Step 8:</b> Trim remaining dark red and cream triangles to measure 3". (If you prefer, cut a new 3" square and cut it diagonally in half. Trimming down the triangle you already have instead of cutting new simply saves fabric.)</p>	

<p><b>Step 9:</b> Lay the dark red triangle on top the dark red and black/gold HST as shown. Trim the HST and discard the right half. Do the same with the cream triangle and the cream and black/gold HST. Orientation is important here, so make sure yours looks like the photo below.</p>	
<p><b>Step 10:</b> Sew each of these units along the long edge to create the units shown below. Trim to measure 2-1/2" square, making sure the seams are in the corners.</p>	
<p><b>Step 11:</b> Sew the 1" x 8-1/2" black/gold piece to the 2" x 8-1/2" cream piece.</p>	
<p><b>Step 12:</b> Lay out all the pieces as shown, adding in the five 2-1/2" cream squares.</p>	
<p><b>Step 13:</b> Sew units together as shown to make the two top rows, two vertical side rows, and the bottom row.</p>	
<p><b>Step 14:</b> Continue joining the rows to create the bird block center. Sew 1-1/2" x 10-1/2" cream strips to the sides of the bird and 1-1/2" x 12-1/2" cream strips to the top and bottom.</p>	