

## Scrap - Basket Surprises

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Belize quilt pattern taken from pages 48-50  
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**Finished Block: 12-1/2" by 12-1/2"**

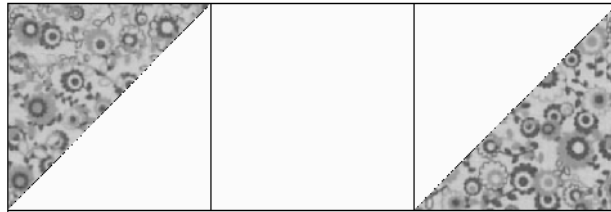


This block is made up of 2 ½ inch strips cut from selvage to selvage.

- 1) Cut 3 strips of solid black, one strip of white and one strip of medium flowered fabric.
- 2) From the black strips you will need **16** 2½ by 2½ squares and **4** 6½ by 2½ rectangles.
- 3) From the white you will need **4** 2 ½ by 2 ½ squares and **4** 6½ by 2½ rectangles.
- 4) From the medium flowered fabric you will need **4** 2½ by 2½ squares and **4** 6½ by 2½ rectangles.

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**To make this block you only need to make this strip block 12 times!!!**



Iron all the squares in half on the diagonal to mark your stitch lines.

- 1) Strip 1 is a white rectangle with the fabric face up with 2 black squares face down on the left and the right side of the rectangle. Stitch down the squares from the lower left corner to the upper right corner on the fold line you ironed into your squares earlier. Take your rotary cutter and cut off the outside triangles leaving a ¼ inch seam allowance. Press open to form your new rectangle (pictured above). Make 4.
- 2) Strip 2 is a black rectangle with a white square on the left and a flowered square on the right. Make this strip the same way as in step one. Make 4.
- 3) Strip three is a flower rectangle with 2 black squares on the left and right sides. Make this strip the same way as in step one. Make 4.



**Making the 4 blocks. We will now refer to the top left portion of the picture of the quilt block at the top of the page, which is also to the left.**

Now you have three stacks of identical strips. Place your white rectangle on top, black rectangle in the middle, and the flowered rectangle on the bottom to form your block making sure your triangles are in the upper left and the lower right positions. Sew into a block. Press, and follow the picture to complete your block. Have fun!!!