Block of the Month for the OCTOBER 2006 MEETING

Maple Leaf Variation  8” block (8-1/2” unfinished)

by Joanne Holzknecht

The drawing for these blocks will take place at the Saturday meeting in October.

*Please use 100% cotton fabrics.  PLEASE PREWASH THE FABRIC.  Note: when making a Block of the Month, please read the instructions carefully, particularly regarding the fabric choices.  The pictures may not always be representative of the fabric selection.*

**FABRIC:** Background - LIGHT CREAM print

LEAF can be GOLD, RUST, or DARK GREEN print.  Think fall leaf colors.

Leaf STEM is a TAN print, something that looks like a stem (you’ll need only a 1” x 4” piece)

**CUT:**

4 - 2-1/2” x 2-1/2” squares of background
2 - 2-1/2” x 2-1/2” squares of leaf fabric
1 - 4-1/2” x 4-1/2” squares of leaf fabric
1 - 2-1/2”-wide strip EACH of background and leaf fabrics

**LEAF POINTS**  - With strips right sides together, using the EASY ANGLE cutting tool, cut 6 triangle sets.

**SEW:**

For the STEM section, cut one of the background 2 1/2” squares as shown in diagram A.  Cut the stem fabric 1” x 4” and mark the center of all pieces.  With stem fabric centered to triangle, sew as shown in diagram B.  Repeat as shown in diagram C.  Trim excess fabric from corners.  Assemble the whole block together as shown.

Is it time to rake the yard?

[Diagram of Maple Leaf Variation]

Make one or more blocks.  Print your name and address on a slip of paper and attach it to the back of each block.
Bring as many versions of the block to the October meeting as you like.  Your name will be entered in the monthly drawing.  If you are unable to attend the meeting, you may send your name and block(s) to:

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