

## **GQCCC** Quilt Show

## Weathervane Block - Half-Square Triangles Method

Finished size is 6 3/4" square, unfinished 7 1/4 square - without a border Finished size 7 3/4" square, unfinished 8 1/3" square -with a 1/2" border all around

**Fabric choices**: Have fun with your fabric choices! Every guild member shines a Weathervane that illustrates his or her colors!

Use Fat quarters or scraps of 4 to 6 different fabrics

Background fabric - a light value that reads solid, for corner squares and side triangles

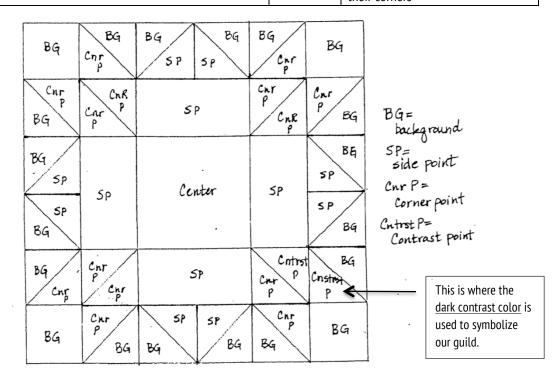
Contrast Corner Point Fabric - a darker value

Side Point fabric - a light to medium value

Center Square fabric - the same as the Corner Point fabric or another darker value

**Cutting Instructions:** Rotary cut your pieces:

Fabric	Block Part	Quantity	Size
Background	Corner Square	4	1 5/8" x 1 5/8" squares
Background	Squares for 1/2 square triangles	8	2" x 2" squares
Darker Value fabrics	Center square	1	2 3/4" x 2 3/4" square
Darker Value fabrics	Corner Point squares	3	1 5/8" x 1 5/8" square
Darker Value fabrics	Corner Point squares	5	2" x 2 " squares
Darker Value fabrics	Contrast Corner Point square for 1/2 square triangle	2	2" x 2 " squares
Light to Medium fabric	Side Points rectangles	4	1 5/8" x 2 3/4" rectangles
Light to Medium fabric	Side Points squares for 1/2 square triangles	4	2" x 2 " squares
Border fabric	Cut strips	4	1" x 9" long to allow for mitering their corners



## **Piecing Instructions:**

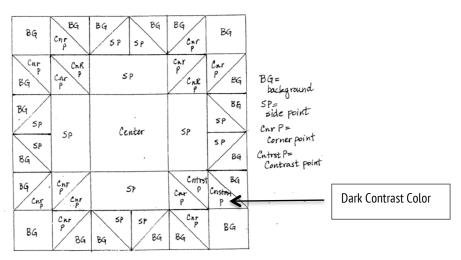
The Weathervane block is fundamentally a 9-patch block. Make the half-square triangles, then lay out your pieces and start to assemble them. Put the pieces back in the layout as you finish sewing to keep them in position. We will create the parts of the 9-patch and then sew them together.

Make 1/2 triangles by using the 2" squares, using the following color combinations:

- Background/Corner Point: sew 4, makes 8, need 7
- Background/Contrast Corner Point: sew 1, makes 2, need 1
- Background/Side Point: sew 4, makes 8, need 8
- Corner Point/Contrast Corner Point: sew 1, makes 2, need 1

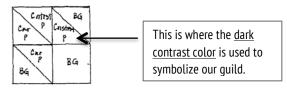
Draw a line diagonally across a square and pair it with the other color that goes with it, sew 1/4" on either side of the line and cut apart along the drawn line. Press seams to the darker fabric.

Lay out the block, as it will be sewn

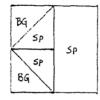


Sew each of the corner 4 patches (the lower right one is with the Contrast Color)





Sew each of the 4 Side point patches - each has 2 half square triangles and 1 rectangle.



Lay it out again and assemble the 9-patch. Use Diagram on Page 1. Sew on a border if you wish. Applique to an apron with a contrast corner point on garment left. Place the block about 1 1/2" below the curve or edge of the neckline and centered on the front panel.

## Below is what it looks like and Why you need to wear one at the Quilt Show

At the Quilt Show, every GQCCC volunteers wear their Weathervane Aprons to make very easy for Quilt Show visitors to know are members, who they can ask for assistance if they need it --whether it is "Where is the Demonstration Room", "Can I see the back of this Quilt?, or "Where is the Country Store?"



