



# GQCCC Quilt Show

## Weathervane Block - Traditionally Pieced

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

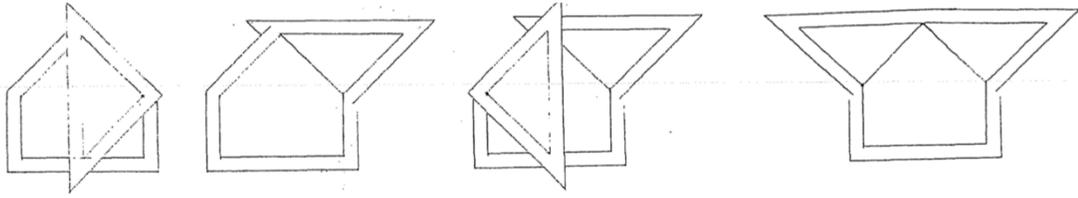
Traditional piecing of this block involves Y-seam construction. It is not so difficult after doing it a few times! This block will give you the opportunity to do it several times!

**Cutting Instructions:** You may use templates to cut your pieces (see templates on pages 3) **OR** You may rotary cut your pieces.

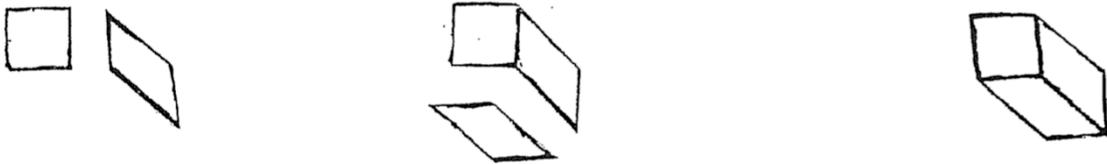
Fabric	Block Part	Quantity	Size
Background	Corner Square	4	1 5/8" x 1 5/8" squares
Background	Side Triangles	2	3 1/2" x 3 1/2" squares, then cut on both diagonals to yield <b>8</b> triangles with straight of grain on outside edges
Darker Value fabrics	Center square	1	2 3/4" x 2 3/4" square
Darker Value fabrics	Main and contrast corner point fabrics then:	1	1 5/16" wide strips
Darker Value fabrics	Corner Points	4	1 5/8" wide, left leaning 45 degree diamonds of main darker value
Darker Value fabrics	Corner Points	3	1 5/8" wide, right leaning 45 degree diamonds of main darker value
Darker Value fabrics	Corner Point	1	1 5/8" wide, right leaning 45 degree diamond of contrast medium to darker value
Light to Medium fabric	Side Points	4	2 13/16" x 2 3/4" squares and cut off corners using <i>Corner Cut-Off Guide (See Template Page)</i>
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. Lay out your pieces and then 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.

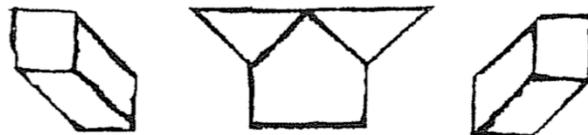
Sew side triangles to side points, stopping 1/4" from triangle center points. Do this on all 4-side point pieces. Press seam to side point.



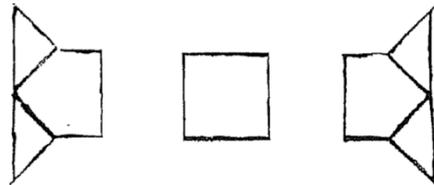
Sew one side of corner square to one corner point piece, stopping 1/4" from the end of the seam. Sew the opposing corner point piece on to the corner square, again stopping 1/4" from the end of the seam. Now sew the seam between two corner point pieces to finish. This seam also stops 1/4" from the end. Press from the corner square to the corner point pieces and press the seam between the corner pieces open.



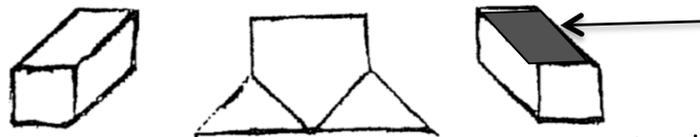
For top row, sew side triangle to corner points, stopping, 1/4" from seam ends. Sew corner points to side points, again stopping 1/4" from seam ends. Press triangle seams down and side point/corner point seam open.



For middle row, sew side point assemblies to center square. Press seams open.

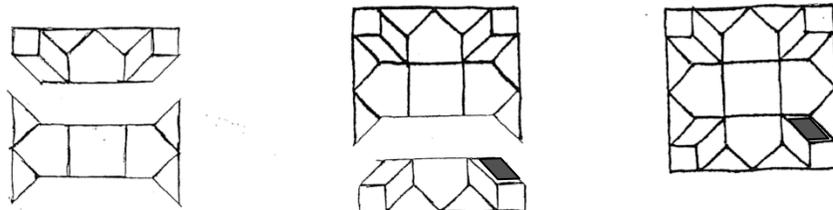


For bottom row, sew side triangle to corner points, stopping 1/4" from seam ends. Sew corner points to side points, again stopping 1/4" from seam ends. Press triangle seams down and side point/corner point seam open.



This is where the dark contrast color is used to symbolize our guild.

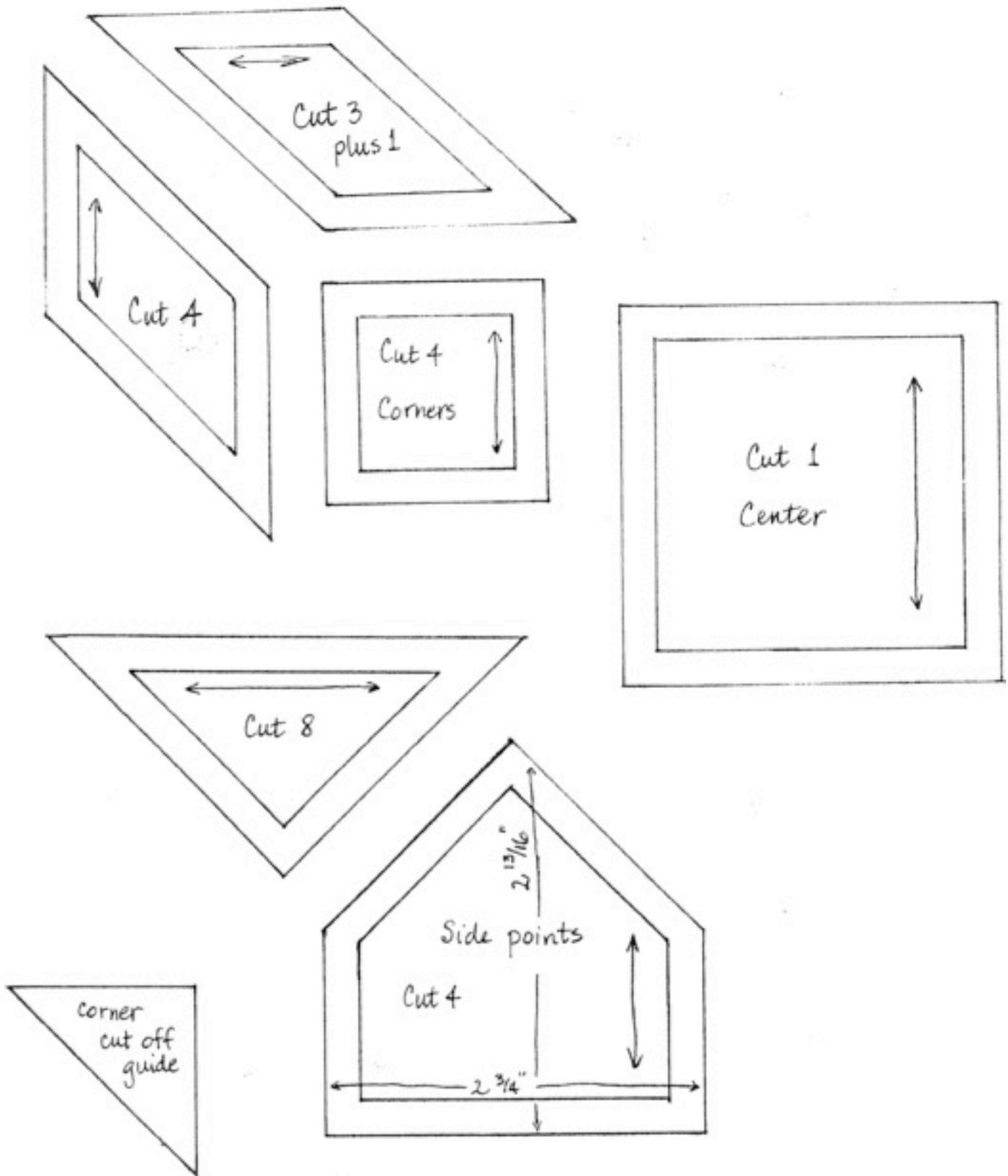
Now sew the top row to the middle row, first sewing the stopping 1/4" from seam ends. Then sew the long straight seam between the rows, starting 1/4" from the beginning of the seam and ending 1/4" from the end of the seam. Do the same thing to sew the bottom row to the middle row. Press the triangle seams down and the long seams open.



two side point/side triangle seams,  
and the long seams

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.

GQCCC Weathervane - Templates for Traditional Pieced Method



*Corner Cut-off Guide - tape guide to edge of ruler and cut off corner to create side point pieces*

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?"

