

2021 Quilt Block Unveiled; early start on entries encouraged

You saw it here first!

I am excited to reveal the Pinwheel as the 2021 National Grange Quilt Block.

I hope that you give this new block a try and are able to learn a new technique or two. Please share it with your fellow members, friends and neighbors.

Remember, the greatest thing about making a quilt block is knowing that it will be joined with other blocks to make beautiful, one-of-a-kind handicrafts.

Every block counts!

2021 National Grange Quilt Block Contest



RULES

- A. The National Grange Quilt Block Contest is open to everyone.
- B. All contest entries must be received by the National Grange Lecturer by **October 31, 2021**. Send entries to:

Christine Hamp, National Lecturer
16418 N. Birdie Road
Nine Mile Falls WA 99026
- C. Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged. However, all entries received will be exhibited at the 155th National Grange convention in Wichita, Kansas.
- D. The quilt block you enter in the contest for judging must be made by you.
- E. There is no limit on the number of quilt blocks a person may submit, but choose one quilt block per person to be judged.
- F. All entries will be retained by the National Grange to be made into finished quilts and other items to be sold at a later date.
- G. A 2021 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form must be completed for the block to be judged.

GROUPS

- Group I – Adult (Age 14+)
- Group II – Junior (Age 13 and under)
- Group III – MEN (Age 14+)

PRIZES

- Monetary prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each Group.
- Ribbons will be awarded to all entrants.

PINWHEEL

Fabric: All fabric used should be cotton.

Constructing the Quilt Block:

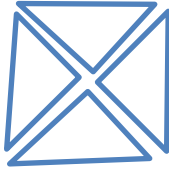
Fabric A: Cut one (1) 8" square and four (4) 2½" x 8" rectangles. All plain white (not white-ish).
(The plain white is what will tie the blocks together into beautiful finished quilts.)

Fabric B: Cut one (1) 8" square of any color of your choice.

Fabric C: Cut four (4) 6" x 8" rectangles of the same fabric, any color or pattern of your choice.

All seams are ¼".

Step 1: Cut the Fabric A 8" square in half diagonally, each direction, creating four (4) triangles.



Step 2: Cut the Fabric B 8" square in half diagonally, each direction, creating four (4) triangles.



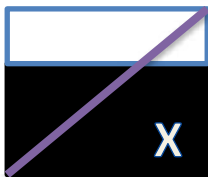
Step 3: Place a Fabric A triangle and a Fabric B triangle right sides together and sew together to form one large triangle. **Keep the white on the left.** Repeat to form all four (4) triangles.



Step 4: Place a Fabric A rectangle and a Fabric C rectangle right sides together and sew together to form one large square. **Keep the white on the top.** Repeat to form all four (4) squares.



Step 5: Lay a ruler across the square from **bottom left to top right** and cut into two (2) triangles. Set aside the bottom right triangle (not used in this block).



Step 6: Sew a Step 3 triangle unit and a Step 5 triangle unit together to make a 7¼" square. Make sure the white rectangle and the white triangle are in contact on the right.



Step 7: Lay out the four (4) squares to make the pinwheel. Sew together the top row, then the bottom row. Press the center seam for each row toward Fabric B. When you flip the second row upside down the seams will nest together for better accuracy in seam matching. Pin well. Press all seams. Clip and remove all threads.

Each finished quilt block should measure 14" x 14".

