

IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME QUILT – Pattern #103 Block #5 - Ornament

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UNFINISHED BLOCK SIZE: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"

This block is a simple Christmas ornament. This is Row #5 from the It's Christmas Time Row Quilt. <u>The blocks in this row are off-set</u>. <u>3 blocks</u> <u>will have a shorter string and 2 blocks will have a longer string</u>. Make **(5)** Blocks total for Row #5, alternating the shorter and longer stringed blocks. Do not sew the Blocks together yet. Sashing will be added to the blocks and rows in Week #8.

PATTERN NOTES: 1) You may want to make the ornament, cap and string from contrasting fabric with scraps left over from previous blocks rather than cutting into new 10 inch squares. 2) Fabric requirements below are for 10" squares and 40" - 42" WOF. 3) ¼ inch seam is always used. 4) RST means right sides together. 5) Follow pressing directions to reduce bulk in the block. 4) Press and trim to unit dimensions as directed after every addition to the block for most accurate results.

MATERIALS LIST:

PRINT A (string) - use contrasting scraps left over from previous blocks.

PRINT B (ornament cap) – use contrasting scraps left over from previous blocks or mix and match among the ornament blocks. There will be sufficient fabric in each 10 inch square to cut both the ornament cap and body. PRINT C (ornament body) - 5 – 10" X 10" squares (1 per block) OR contrasting scraps left from previous blocks. BACKGROUND – 13 inches x WOF

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS: 1) Cut fabrics as indicated in the chart below. SEE FABRIC CUTTING SUBSTITUTIONS BELOW DEPENDING ON USAGE OF LAYER CAKE/YARDAGE/SCRAPS. 2) Organize all the subcut pieces by alphabet label to facilitate piecing. *See labels on page 3 to print out if desired.*

SECTION FABRIC # OF FABRIC LETTER PIECES 1" x 3" rectangles PRINT (Use String (Shorter) 3 А 2 String (Longer) leftover scraps OR 1" x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles В 5 - 10" squares) PRINT $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" rectangles С **Ornament** Cap 5 **Ornament Body** PRINT 5 4 ³⁄₄" x 4 ³⁄₄" squares D 4 ³⁄₄" x 3" rectangles String (Shorter) Background BACKGROUND E 6 4 ³⁄₄" X 4 ¹⁄₂" rect. F String (Longer) Background 4 4" X 1" rectangles **Ornament Cap Sides Background** G BACKGROUND 10 **Ornament Body Background** 1" X 1" squares BACKGROUND 20 Н 3" x 4 ³⁄₄" rectangles 10 T Block Bottom (for Shorter String Block) BACKGROUND 3 9 ½" x 2 ½" rect. J Block Bottom (for Longer String Block) 2 $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x 1" rectangles Κ BACKGROUND

CUTTING CHART (everything needed for all 5 blocks)

FABRIC CUTTING SUBSTITUTIONS:

IF USING 10 INCH "LAYER CAKE"- PRINT: choose (5) 10" squares. Make sure each square measures at least 10" x 10" <u>before subcutting</u>.

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IF USING YARDAGE/ SCRAPS – PRINT: Cut Fabrics A - D rectangles from yardage or scraps in the sizes listed in the cutting chart and use in lieu of 10 inch precut squares.

BLOCK ASSEMBLY: Make (5) 9 ¹/₂" X 9 ¹/₂" blocks (unfinished) – 3 SHORTER STRINGED BLOCKS AND 2 LONGER STRINGED BLOCKS. *NOTE: Illustrations are not to scale.*

For ONE SHORTER STRINGED ORNAMENT BLOCK:

Construct the STRING Unit:

 A) Mark the center of the Print Fabric A rectangle vertically on the wrong side of the piece. B) Sew 1 Background Fabric E rectangle to the left side of 1 Print Fabric A rectangle RST. C) Sew the 2nd Background Fabric E rectangle to the right side of the Print Fabric A rectangle RST. D) Press seams toward the center of the block. Trim the Shorter String Unit to 9 ¹/₂" x 3".

Construct the Ornament Cap Unit:

 A) Mark the center of the Print Fabric C rectangle vertically on the wrong side of the piece. B) Sew 1 Background Fabric G rectangle to the left side of 1 Print Fabric C rectangle RST. C) Sew 2nd Background Fabric G rectangle to the right side of the Print Fabric C rectangle RST. D) Press seams toward the center of the block. Trim the Ornament Cap Unit to 9 ¹/₂" x 1".

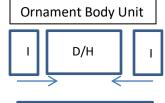
Construct the Ornament Body Unit:

3) <u>Adding the corner squares aka "snowballing the corners"</u>: A) Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the back of 4 Background Fabric H squares. B) Lay one Fabric H square RST on the upper left corner of 1 Fabric D square and sew on the drawn line across the corner. C) Lay one Fabric H square RST on the lower left corner of the Fabric D square and sew on the drawn line across the corner.
 D) Lay one Fabric H square RST on the upper right corner of the Fabric D square

and sew on the drawn line across the corner. E) Lay one Fabric H square RST on the lower right corner of the Fabric D square and sew on the drawn line across the corner. F) Trim the excess fabric at the seam, leaving an approximate ¹/₄" seam for each of the 4 "snowballed" corners. G) Flip and press the triangle pieces back with the seams toward the center of the block. H) Trim the "snowballed" unit to 4 ³/₄" x 4 ³/₄".

4) Adding the Ornament Body Background side pieces:

A) Mark the center of the Print Fabric C rectangle vertically on the wrong side of the piece. Sew 1 Background Fabric I rectangle to the left side of the "snowballed" Print Fabric D/H unit RST. B) Sew 2nd Background Fabric I rectangle to the right side of the "snowballed" D/H unit RST. C) Press seams toward the center of the block. Trim the Ornament Unit to $9 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $4 \frac{3}{4}$ ".



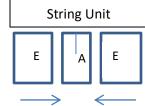
String Unit

Assembling the Block	
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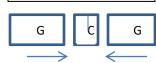
5) A) Using the drawn marks from Steps 1A and 2A above, Center the String Unit on top of the Ornament Cap Unit and sew RST. B) Press the seam toward the string unit to reduce bulk. Trim String/Cap unit to 9 ½" x 3 ½".

6)	A) Center and sew the String/Cap Unit RST to the Ornament Body seam toward the cap unit to reduce bulk at the snowballed corners	,	
	Trim the Ornament Unit to 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 7 $\frac{3}{4}$.	String/Cap Unit	ſ
	(If Ornament Unit is a little bit on the vertical measurement, go ahead and add the Background Fabric J rectangle in Step 7 below anyway. The rectangle size is slightly oversized to allow for minor cutting/pressing error		
		Ornament Body Unit	

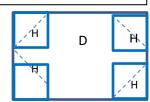
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"Snowballing" the Corners



A) Sew 1 Fabric J rectangle to the bottom of the Ornament Unit RST seam away from the center of the block to reduce bulk at the sno Square the Ornament Block to 9 ½" x 9 ½".	
Make a total of <u>3 Shorter</u> Stringed Ornament Blocks for Row #5.	Ornament Unit
ONE LONGER STRINGED ORNAMENT BLOCK:	Fabric J
Repeat Steps 1 – 7 above except as follows:	

<u>Step 1</u>– Use Print Fabric B rectangle and Background Fabric F rectangles.Trim Longer String Unit to $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". <u>Step 7</u> – Use Background Fabric K rectangle. Trim Block to $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Make a total of <u>2 Longer Stringed Ornament Blocks for Row #5</u>.

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