

I know you're excited to see the next QM Bitty Block, and I'm excited to show you! These adorable small quilt blocks are freebies for quilters presented each month on Quilty Pleasures. They are so much fun.

QM's Bitty Blocks

Today I have a new quilt block for you, but we also decided we wanted to tell you more about the row quilts these blocks can become. Please read to the end so you don't miss any of the important information.



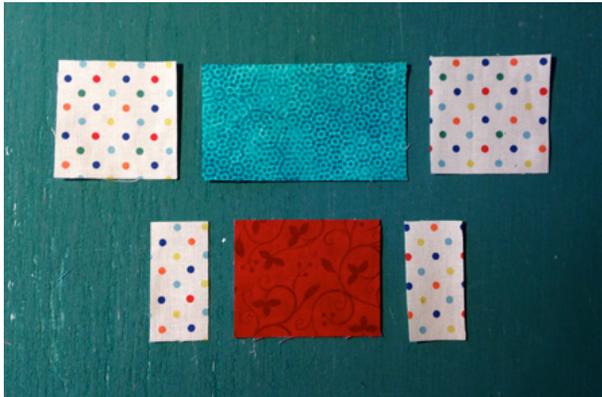
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March's QM Bitty Block is a little 3" house. It is so cute! I dreamed up the block one evening and shot the measurements to Paula in a text. Before the next morning, she had made a whole boatload of houses!



Paula's little houses

This block is easy like the Bow Ties were. We wanted to give you a break after the sweet but somewhat labor-intensive Bitty Baskets. You'll enjoy the houses—they're quick and easy.



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For one house block, you'll need:

Background (white):

2 squares 2" x 2" 2 rectangles 1" x 2"

House (red):

1 rectangle

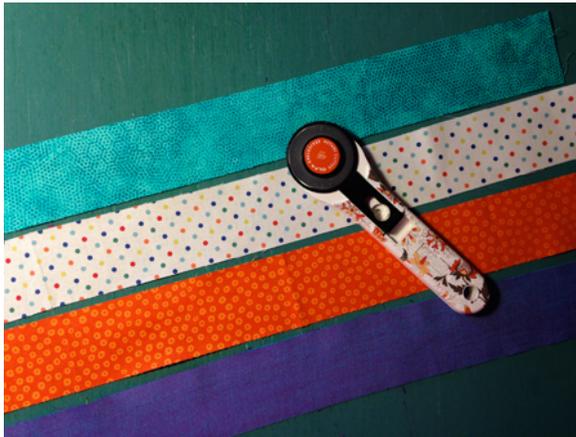
2" x 2-1/2"

Roof (teal):

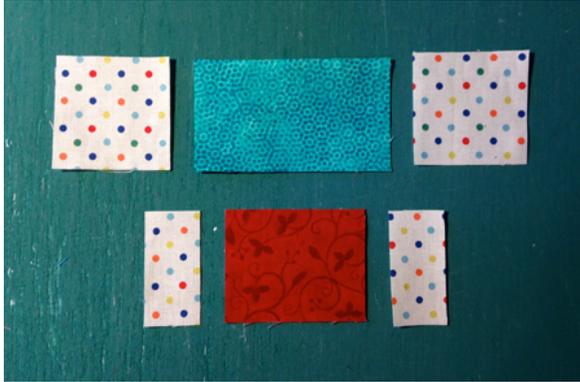
1 rectangle

2" x 3-1/2"

I started by cutting several 2"-wide strips from light fabrics for the backgrounds and medium to dark fabrics for the houses. Then I subcut all of the patches from these 2" strips.



Here's a little trick that Paula discovered. If you cut 6" segments from the 2" strips, you can get the four background patches, or one house patch and one roof patch, from every 2" x 6" segment. Handy to know if you're using scraps!



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Select the patches for one house block. You can make all four background patches the same, or you can mix them up.

Use Stitch & Flip to create the roof section. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each 2" x 2" background patch. Align the background patch on one end of the roof patch, right sides together. Sew on the marked line.



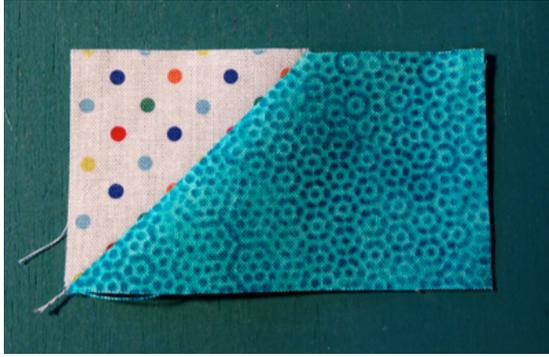
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Trim the seam allowance to 1/4" as shown below.



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Flip the background patch open and press.



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Repeat with the other 2" x 2" background patch on the other end.



Repeat for the other end of the roof.

This completes the roof section.



You've just made a roof!

Sew the small background rectangles to each side of the house patch as shown below. This completes the house section.



Sew the background rectangles to each side of the house patch as shown.

Join the roof section and the house section to complete the house block. Its unfinished size is $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " for a finished size of 3" x 3".



Completed house quilt block is 3.5" x 3.5" unfinished, to finish at 3" square.

Wasn't that fun?!