

January Buttons and Spools

Make two Button Blocks 6" finished size (square up to 6.5")

Make two Spool Blocks 6" finished size (square up to 6.5")

Materials: Background light blue fabric

Spools brown

Any color stripes for "thread"

Button pick a color (solid or tone-on-tone) to coordinate with your stripes

Pick a second coordinating fabric for button center (print or tone on tone)

4 coordinating buttons to create the look of buttonholes



Light blue fabric: cut four 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles and sixteen 2" squares

Dark brown for spools: cut four 2" x 6 1/2" rectangles

Stripe fabric: cut two 3 1/2" squares

Button fabric: cut two 3 1/2" squares for button centers (need one for each button)

cut four 2" x 6 1/2" rectangles (need two for each button)

cut four 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles (need two for each button)

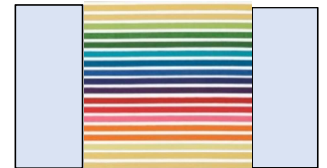
Part 1: Draw a line on the center diagonal of the sixteen-light blue 2" squares (black line in illustration).

Lay a square on the end of each 2" x 6 1/2" rectangles of both button fabric and spool fabric—be sure direction of the diagonal line matches the illustration:



Sew on diagonal line then trim 1/4" away from the sewn line (orange line in illustration)
(Make 4 with brown spool fabric and 4 with button fabric)

Part 2: Sew 2" x 3 1/2" background fabric to the sides of each striped fabric square for spools (stripes should be horizontal, make 2)



Sew 2" x 3 1/2" button fabric to the sides of each button center fabric square (make 2)

Sew part one units to part 2 units to make blocks as shown below

Sew two buttons onto each button center as buttonholes

Make two spools and two buttons

