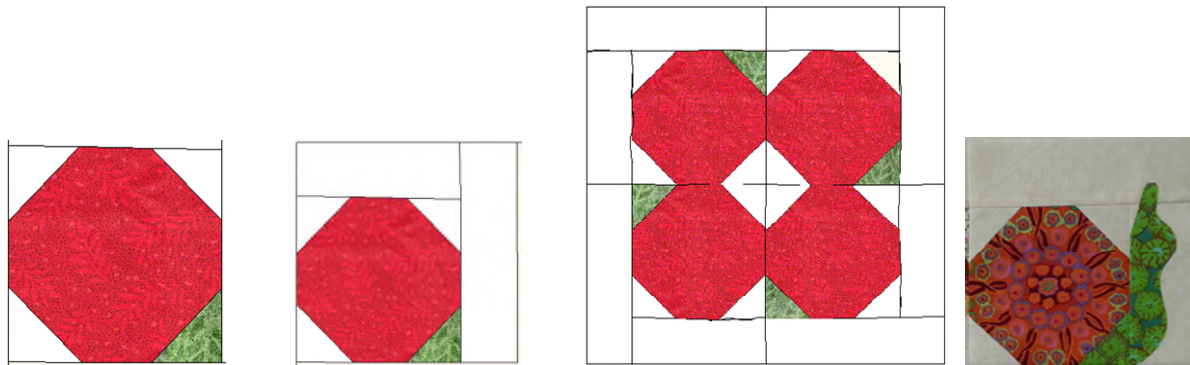**June 2019   Snail Dance**

4 Snail shell fabrics (your choice): 5" square

Snail body (1 fabric or 4, your choice): (4) 2" square
　　　　　　　　　　　　　　(4) ~ 2" x 5-1/2" (appliqué, see pattern)

Cream background fabric: (12) 2" squares
　　　　　　　　　　　　　(4) 2" x 6-1/2" rectangles
　　　　　　　　　　　　　(4) 2" x 5" rectangles

1-Snail shell units: Orientation is important for this unit. Stack snail body 2" square on <u>lower right</u> corner of shell 5" square, right sides together. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the cream square and stitch on marked line. Trim seam allowance and press seam. Repeat this in the other 3 corners using the cream 2" squares.

2-Here is the tricky part (ask me how I know!) – orient the shell unit so that the snail body triangle is in the lower right corner. Sew the cream 2" x 5" rectangle to the top of the unit. Press seam. With the unit in the same orientation, sew the cream 2" x 6-1/2" rectangle on the right. Press seam. All 4 snail shell units will be identical and measure 6-1/2" square.

3- Layout the 4 snail shell blocks such that the snail body corner triangles are oriented as shown above. Sew the 4 blocks together, pressing seams in opposite directions.

4-Applique the snail bodies to the block- be careful not to extend into the ¼" seam allowance around the block edges. I used a fusible method. Finish edges with a satin, zig-zag, or blanket stitch. Your block is complete and should measure 12-1/2" square.

This pattern is reversed for fusible appliqué.
For hand appliqué, reverse pattern and
add ~1/8" inch for needle turn.

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