

## May 2019 Hummingbird



Flower petal fabric (your choice): (4) 4-1/2" squares

Flower center fabric (your choice): 2-1/2" square

Cream background fabric: (4) 4-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangles  
2-1/2" x 10-1/2" rectangle  
2-1/2" x 12-1/2" rectangle

Hummingbird wings/body: ~ 3" x 6" rectangle (patterns next page)

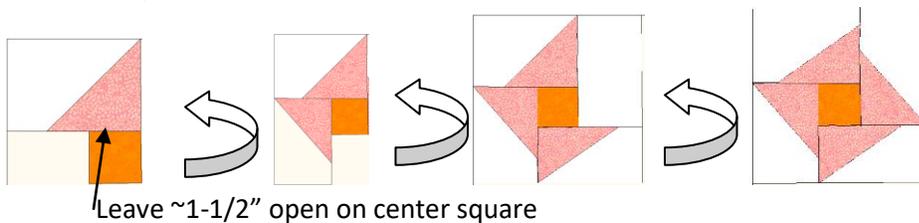
Hummingbird belly/tail: ~2" x 4" rectangle

Hummingbird beak – dark fabric scrap

1-Petal units: Stack petal 4-1/2" square on lower right corner of cream 4-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangle, right sides together. Watch orientation here! Draw a diagonal line on the back of the square and stitch on this line. Trim seam allowance to 1/4" and press seam towards petal fabric. Make 4 of these units.



2-Flower unit: This calls for a partial seam. Lay out the petal units around the flower center 2-1/2" square. Stack the flower center square on top of the petal unit. Sew seam about 1" and leave the remaining 1-1/2" open on center square. Turn this unit counter-clockwise. Sew to the second petal unit – you will be able to sew a complete seam here. Turn this unit counter-clockwise. Sew to the third petal unit – again a complete seam. Repeat with the fourth petal unit. Now go back and complete the seam for the first petal unit. Press seams. The flower unit should measure 10-1/2" square.



3-Sew the 2-1/2" x 10-1/2" cream rectangle to the left side of the flower unit. Press seam. Then sew the 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" cream rectangle to the top of the flower unit. Press seams. The block should measure 12-1/2" square.

4-Appique the hummingbird to the block. I used a fusible method and slightly overlapped the wings/body on top of the belly/tail and slipped the beak underneath. The left wing tip should be approximately 1" from the left side and 1-1/2" from the top edge of the block. Finish the edges with a satin, zig-zag, or blanket stitch. The beak is so narrow, I used a straight stitch about 2 threads in from the edge.

\*BONUS\* Confused about partial seams? Check out this YouTube video!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yNcPMH0rzhU>

This pattern is reversed for fusible appliqué.

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

