

Chicken Block

Blocks due: May 2020

This block is 7" x 8" as shown and will end up 6 1/2" x 7 1/2" inches when sewn into a quilt. All seam allowances are 1/4"

Step 1: Cutting.

From your chicken body fabric,
cut a rectangle 5 1/2" x 6 1/2"
and a 2" x 2" square.

From your background fabric,
cut 3 squares, 2" x 2", a strip 6 1/2" x 2" and a strip 5 1/2" x 2" .

From your beak fabric, cut a 1/4" square.

From your comb fabric, cut 2 rectangles about 2x2.5 inches.

Step 2: Draw diagonal lines on all your squares except for one of the background fabric squares

Step 3: Place fabrics right sides together. Stitch on all the diagonal lines as shown in the above photo. The stitching on the tail square doesn't show up really well--it goes from the upper left corner to the bottom right corner.

Step 4: Trim the excess fabric along the seams you just sewed, leaving about 1/4" seam allowance.

Step 5: Press your seam allowances toward the darker fabric.



Step 5A: Draw a comb shape on the right side of one of the comb fabric pieces. You can use a water-soluble marker or whatever else you have on hand

Place the 2 comb fabric rectangles *wrong* sides together.

Step 6: Sew close to your comb shape drawing (you pick the comb shape), and cut out the comb shape close to your stitching. Pin the comb so that the bottom edge lines up with the bottom edge of the upper left rectangle and the right side is about 1/4" in from the right edge of that rectangle. Stitch (hand/machine) in place)

Step 7: Sew the two left pieces and the two right pieces together. Press the seam on the left side down and the seam on the right side up.

Step 8: Sew the right side and left side together, nesting the seam allowances so they match up well. Press that seam and you're done!



<http://www.sewinspiredblog.com/2010/02/chicken-quilt-block-tutorial.html>

