

Bloomington Normal Modern Quilt Guild

February 2018 Block Lotto

Drunkards Path



The Drunkards Path block is very versatile block. There are many many many ways to put these blocks together to make some really cool quilts.

I choose this block because it has an easy curve to sew. It's the perfect size to practice on if you are new to curved piecing.

You will be making two blocks this month. Each pair is one entry into the lotto. So for every two block you submit is it \$1.00.

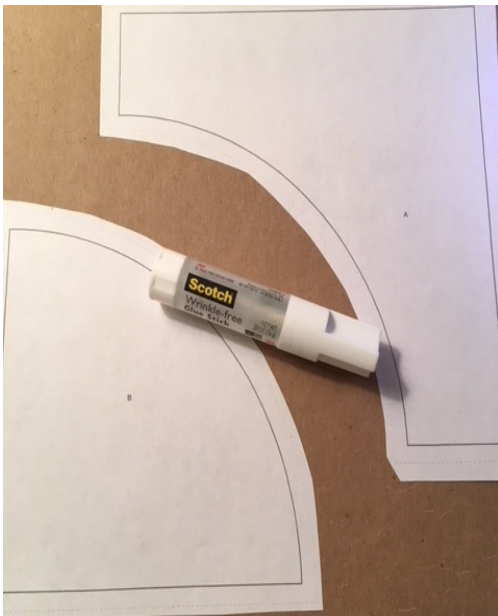
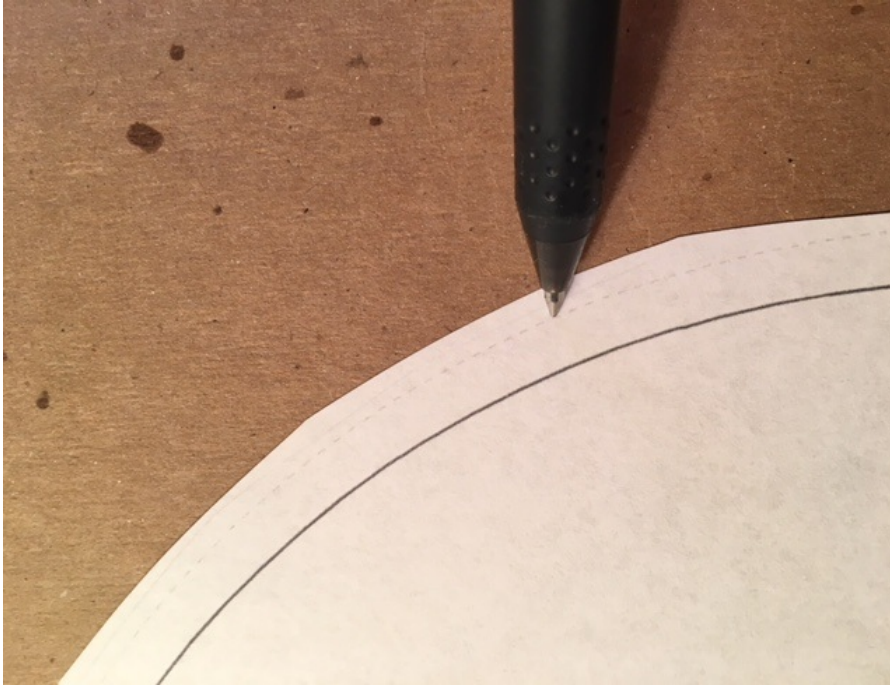
Materials needed to make 2 blocks

Drunkards Path Template to be passed out at the meeting

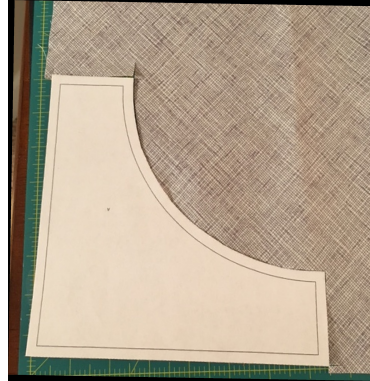
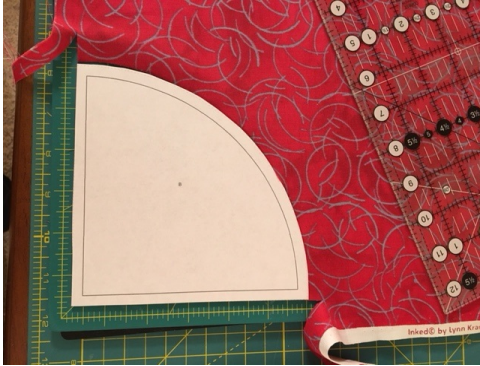
10" square of grey low volume

10" square of red

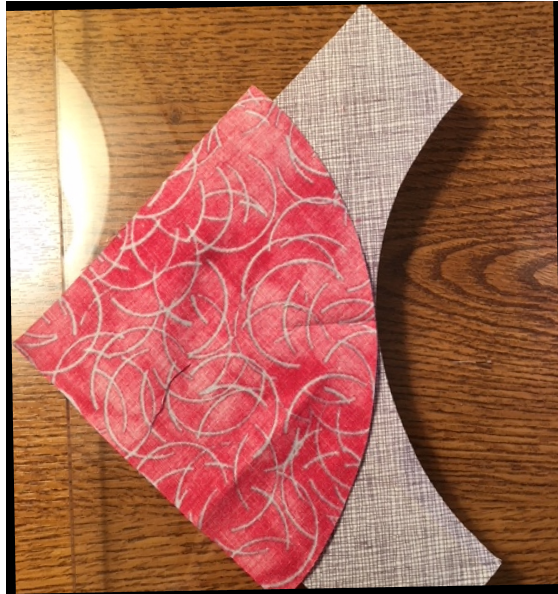
Step 1. Cut your templates out on the **dotted line**. If you wish you can use template plastic or a piece of cardboard to make your template last longer. I used cardboard from the back of a note pad. I just glued the templates to the cardboard and cut them out.



Step 2. Place you're a and B templates over the fabric. **Make sure you can cut out both templates from each piece of fabric.** You should be able to cut both if your careful. On the straight edges I use a ruler to make sure I am cutting straight and on the curve I just use my rotary cutter and follow the curve slowly so as to cut around the template as carefully as possible.



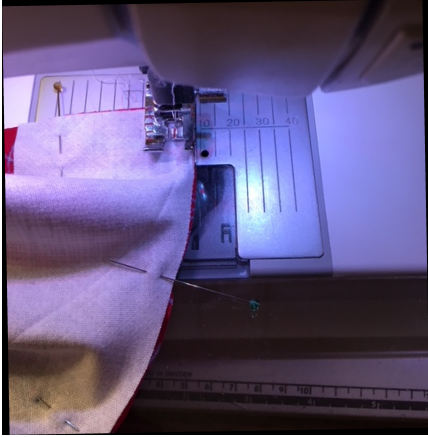
Step 3. Using one grey and one red piece fold each in half and press a small area to mark the middle. Place piece B over piece A right sides together and line up the middles.



Step 4. Pin the center then bring the side of the red over to the side of the grey and match the ends. I weave the pin in so it holds tighter. Use as many pins as you want to bring all edges of the curved pieces together. Try not to stretch block.



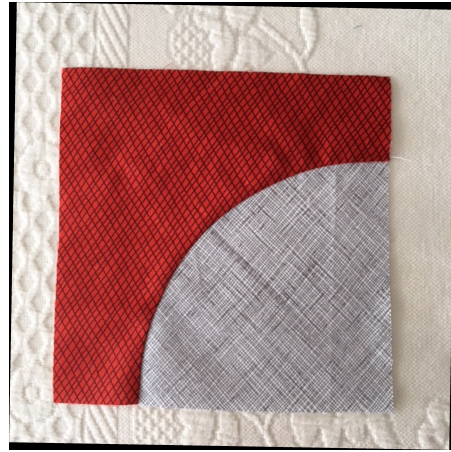
Step 5. Flip block over so that piece A is on top. Stitch slowly around the block removing pins as you go. You will have to adjust the top piece as you go to prevent puckers and to keep edges aligned. If you have “needle down” on your machine use it. You will want to lift your pressure foot slightly to turn. Keep edges lined up and do not stretch the block.



Step 6. You should not have to trim this block. Trim only if your block needs it. Press to the darker fabric. Then make your other block in the reverse color. Again press to the darker fabric.



Your blocks should look like this when you are done.



GENERAL RULES: • Blocks must be made of quilt shop quality, modern fabric. • Blocks should be 7.5 inches by 7.5 inches unfinished. MUST BE within 1/4 inch. • You may make as many as you want per month. This month only 2 blocks gets one entry into the drawing. There is a \$1/block entry fee paid to the guild. • Depending on how many blocks are entered and the size of the blocks will determine how many winners there will be • Please label your block with your name. (You may use an address label) • If you have previously won, you must bring your FINISHED quilt made from your winning blocks in order to be eligible to win again. You may still contribute to the pool each month, if you'd like.