Nancy's Spool

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The late Nancy Zieman shared, "I'm living my best quilting life when I'm spending creative time with sewing friends. This block represents the annual creative getaways with my friend Mary Mulari at her home in northern Minnesota, and also my quilting dates with my landscape quilting buddy Natalie Sewell at her home studio in Madison, Wisconsin." ~Nancy

What You'll Need

1 tan print square, 8" × 8"; cut into:

> A: 1 square, 3⅞" × 3⅞"
>
> D: 2 squares, 3½" × 3½"

B: 1 navy print square, 3⅞" × 3⅞"

C: 4 red print squares, 1¾" × 1¾"

Optional: Use your favorite half-square-triangle tool, such as a No-Hassle Triangles Gauge.

Assembly

Press all seam allowances in the direction indicated by the arrows.
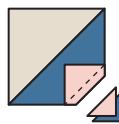
1. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the A and C squares.

2. Referring to "Triangle Squares" on page 137, place the A square on the B square with right sides together. Sew, cut, and press to make two half-square-triangle units. The units should measure 3½" square.
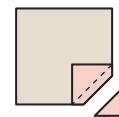
Make 2.

**3.** Referring to "Stitch and Flip" on page 137, place a C square on the B corner of a half-square-triangle unit. Sew, trim, and press. Make two.

Make 2.

4. Referring to "Stitch and Flip," place a C square on one corner of a D square. Sew, trim, and press. Make two.

Make 2.

5. Arrange and sew the pieced units in rows as shown. Press. Sew the rows together to make a 6½" block. Press.