Sunflower Power
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2017 Aurifil Designer of the Month Block

Finished Block: 12” x 12”
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MATERIALS NEEDED

24 squares 2” x 2” . . . . . . . . . assorted yellow prints
12 squares 2½” x 2½”. . . . . assorted yellow prints
12 squares 2½” x 2½”. . . . . background fabric
4 squares 2” x 2”. . . . . background fabric
1 square 6½” x 6½”. . . . . sunflower center print

Fabric is Olive’s Flower Market/Sugar Pie/Farmer’s Daughter by Lella Boutique for Moda Fabrics.

*This block is similar--but not identical--to the one found in my pattern #164 Scrappy Sunflowers (i.e. You will not be able to make my Scrappy Sunflower quilt with this block.)
*Assume 1/4” seam allowance
*RST means right sides together
*Press toward the dark print

1. HALF-SQUARES TRIANGLES (HSTs): Mark a diagonal line on the back of 1 background square 2 1/2” x 2 1/2”. Bring 1 marked square RST with 1 yellow square 2 1/2” x 2 1/2”. Sew 1/4” away from the marked line on both sides. Cut along the marked line, open, press, and trim each HST to 2” x 2”. Make 24 yellow/white HSTs.

2. SNOWBALL BLOCKS: Mark a diagonal line on the back of 4 yellow squares 2” x 2”. Bring each marked yellow square RST with 1 sunflower center 6 1/2” x 6 1/2”, in each corner. Align the raw edges and orient the marked lines as shown. Sew along the marked line, trim 1/4” seam allowance, press.
3. Arrange all 2” squares/HSTs into the arrangement as shown below. Sew all squares into rows and press--the center section will contain 4 partial rows on the sides of the center 6 1/2” x 6 1/2” snowball center block. Sew the partial rows into columns and press.

4. Sew the center columns to the sides of the 6 1/2” x 6 1/2” snowball center block and press. Sew all rows together; press. Unfinished block measures 12 1/2” x 12 1/2”.