BITS March 2015 | Block of the Month Coastal Quilters Guild

This fun modern block is based on the Binary design by Angela Pingel. There are many ways to use this design.

FABRICS

Background: Kona ash (grey) background - provided at February meeting

Bits: Prints or solids in **turquoise**, **lime green**, **purple**, **black**, and/or **white**. You won't use all five colors, but please use <u>four different</u> fabrics in the block.

CUTTING

Grey fabric:

Cut 2 strips 3-1/2" x 12-1/2"

Cut 1 strip 2-1/2" x 12-1/2"

Cut 8 strips 2-1/2" x 1-1/2"

Cut 2 squares 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"

Bits fabrics:

Cut 1 square $2-1/2^{"}x 2-1/2^{"}and 1$ rectangle $1-1/2^{"}x 2-1/2^{"}$ from each color.

CONSTRUCTION

Use 1/4" seam allowances.

- Using the block photo as a guide, arrange the 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" grey and colored rectangles and the 2-1/2" grey and colored squares into two columns. Be sure the columns begin and end with a 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" grey rectangle.
- 2. With the right sides together, sew the colored pieces to the grey pieces along the 2-1/2" edges to create two columns 2-1/2" x 12-1/2". Press seams open.
- Sew a pieced column to either side of the 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" strip. Press seams toward the grey strip.
- 4. Add a 3-1/2" x 12-1/2" grey strip to either side of the unit from Step 3. Press toward grey strips.

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5. Trim the block to 12-1/2" x 12-1/2".

