

## Block of the Month for May 2023

### Jacob's Ladder

12" x 12" Block (12.5" x 12.5" unfinished)



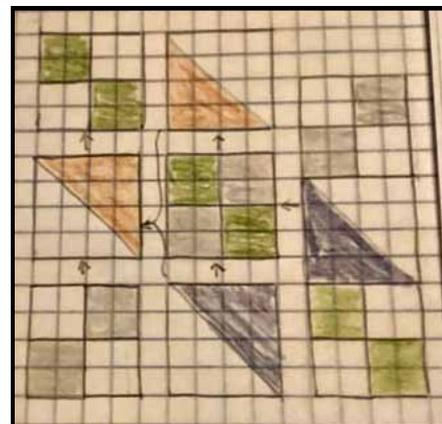
### Cutting

- Cut one 2 1/2" by 5" rectangle in pale sage green fabric and one 2 1/2" by 5" pale gray fabric.
- Cut one 2 1/2" by 10" rectangle of ivory fabric (unbleached muslin is fine) and another 2 1/2" by 10" rectangle of pale sage green fabric.
- Cut another 2 1/2" by 10" rectangle of ivory fabric and a 2 1/2" by 10" of pale gray fabric.
- Cut one 5" square of ivory fabric and a 5" square of pale blue fabric.
- Cut one 5" square of ivory fabric and a 5" square of light brown or sand-colored fabric.

### Assembly

Using muted tones of five colors, this block consists of five four patches and four half square triangles. The blocks can be joined to create two "ladders" crossing large stars.

- A: For the central four patch: stitch the 2 1/2" by 5" gray and green rectangles together lengthwise. Press. Cut across the center of the rectangle to make two 2 1/2" by 5" rectangles that are half gray and half green. Matching center seams, stitch into a four patch block.
- B: For the other sections of the "ladders": stitch the 2 1/2" by 10" gray rectangle to a 2 1/2" by 10" ivory rectangle lengthwise. Press. Cut into four 2 1/2" by 5" rectangles that are half gray and half ivory. Stitch two of those rectangles together to make a four patch; repeat with the other two rectangles.
- C: Repeat B, using the long green rectangle and the ivory rectangle to make two green and ivory four patches.
- D: Place the 5" ivory square on top of the 5" blue square. Draw a diagonal line and stitch 1/4" on either side of the diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal line and press open to make two squares. Trim to 4 1/2" square.
- E: Repeat D using the 5" light brown square and the remaining 5" ivory square.
- F: To assemble the bottom row of the block: stitch a green and ivory four patch to the blue side of a half square triangle, then stitch a gray and ivory four patch to the ivory side of the half square triangle.
- G: For the middle row of the block: stitch the blue side of the other blue and ivory half square triangle to the green and gray four patch. Then stitch the four patch to the light brown side of the brown and ivory half square triangle.
- H: For the top row of the block: stitch a gray and ivory four patch to the ivory side of an ivory and light brown half square triangle. Then stitch the brown side of the half square triangle to the remaining side of a green and ivory four patch.



Blocks can be sent to Suzanne Ahn, 4848 7th St., Carpinteria, 93013, no later than **May 9, 2023**.  
In-person attendees, please bring your completed blocks to the meeting.