

THE GRAND QUILT GUILD

ROW BY ROW PROJECT 2026 – 2027

BLOCK # 2 October 14, 2026 Due November 11, 2026

BOW TIE QUILT BLOCK



During the mid 1800's the Bow Tie became a significant fashion trend in a man's wardrobe. So inevitably it worked its way into the quilts of the day. This quilt block was first documented in 1895 in the Ladies Art Co. catalog of quilt block patterns. This block has also acquired other names, including Colonial Bow Tie, True Lovers Knot, Dumbbell and Peekhole. This is a classic rather simple block made up of basically two (2) colours.

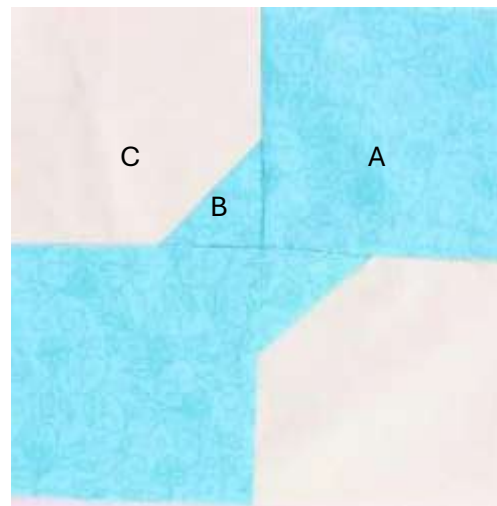
This is a 6 (6 ½) block All seams are ¼ inch.

: FABRIC REQUIREMENT

Bow Tie: 2 - 3 ½ x 3 ½ inch squares (A)

2 - 2 x 2 inch squares (knot) (B)

Background: 2 – 3 ½ inch x 3 ½ Squares of
Contrasting colour (C)



ASSEMBLE THE BLOCK:

- 1 On the small knot square draw a diagonal line from corner to corner
- 2 Place this knot square on the bottom left corner of the background square (be precise)



- 3 Sew along the diagonal line BUT NOT DIRECTLY ON THE LINE
Stitch one needle width beside the line. This helps to accommodate the width of the fabric when you fold it over to press
- 4 Trim the seam to $\frac{1}{4}$ inch and press towards the darker fabric.
- 5 Square up the block to $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches
- 6 Repeat this once more to have 2 background blocks with a knot piece
- 7 Join the background and the bow tie blocks as shown



- 7 Join the 2 rows together and square up to $6\frac{1}{2}$ inches

As usual, any questions or issues don't hesitate to contact me:

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 ***DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR COMPLETED BLOCKS TO THE NOVEMBER MEETING***