

BLOCK PARTY – MAY 2022

I came across a much faster way to make a Garlic Knot block on the blog <https://sewpreetquilts.blogspot.com/search?q=mabern> I used smaller sizes, but it still ends up making a large size block and so easy!

Cutting:

- A. Dark fabric
 - One 9 inch square
 - Two 4.5 x 9 inch rectangles
 - Two 4.5 x 17 inch rectangles
- B. Light fabric
 - One 9 Inch square
 - Two 4.5 x 9 inch rectangles
 - Two 4.5 x 17 inch rectangles

Assembly (all seams are a scant quarter inch):

Sew the two 4.5 x 9 inch dark rectangles on either side of the 9 inch light square. Press seams away from the center square. Sew the 4.5 x 17 inch dark rectangles on the remaining sides of the center square. Press seams away from the center square.

Repeat the process with the remaining dark center and light rectangles.

Cut each square block in half horizontally and vertically, resulting in 4 squares.

Take 2 squares from each block, arrange the 4 squares so the dark fabric forms the knot (as in the picture) and sew together. Press well. You'll have 2 blocks that are a little larger than 16 inches.

Do NOT trim or square up the blocks – let the winner do that step.

To participate in the May Block Party, make the block as described; then mail or drop off to **Karel Peer**. Your name will be entered once for each block received (enclose a note if you don't want your name in the drawing). Blocks must be received by May 21. The winner will be drawn and announced at the May 23rd SCVQA meeting. Pictures of the blocks submitted and the winner's name will be in the following month's newsletter.

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