

OCTOBER 2009 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

9-PATCH (two contrasting colours, your choice)

1. TAKE **TWO 6 INCH SQUARES OF CONTRASTING FABRICS** AND PLACE THEM **RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER**
2. SEW A **QUARTER INCH SEAM** DOWN THE LEFT AND RIGHT SIDE
3. TAKING A RULER, CUT THE PIECE INTO **THREE 2 INCH STRIPS**
4. SEW THE **CONTRASTING COLOUR** FROM THE MIDDLE STRIP TO THE OTHER TWO STRIPS
5. **PRESS TOWARDS THE DARK FABRIC**
6. NOW PLACE THESE TWO PIECES **RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER BUTTING UP THE SEAMS** AGAINST ONE ANOTHER AND SEW A $\frac{1}{4}$ INCH SEAM ON THE RIGHT AND LEFT SIDE
7. AGAIN CUT THE PIECE INTO **THREE 2" STRIPS**, AGAIN SEWING THE **CONTRASTING COLOUR** FROM THE MIDDLE STRIP TO THE OTHER TWO STRIPS, **BUTTING THE SEAMS**
8. **PRESS TOWARDS THE DARK FABRIC** (one side will have more dark ☺)

YOU WILL END UP WITH TWO 9 PATCHES ... ONE WITH DARK CORNERS AND ONE WITH LIGHT CORNERS

IF YOU MAKE A FEW SETS OF THESE, THEY CAN BE SEWN TOGETHER TO MAKE A **CHECKERBOARD** ☺ as you have pressed towards the dark, the seams will all nest together perfectly

LOTTO

JELLY ROLL - 3 INCH STRIP IN AN AUTUMN COLOUR

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL ME ... IT REALLY IS A LOT OF FUN AND YOU WILL BE DREAMING IN CHECKERBOARD BEFORE YOU KNOW IT ☺