

# BLOCK OF THE MONTH - January, Whale watching time

January is whale watching time on the Oregon coast. Lets make our own whale quilt!

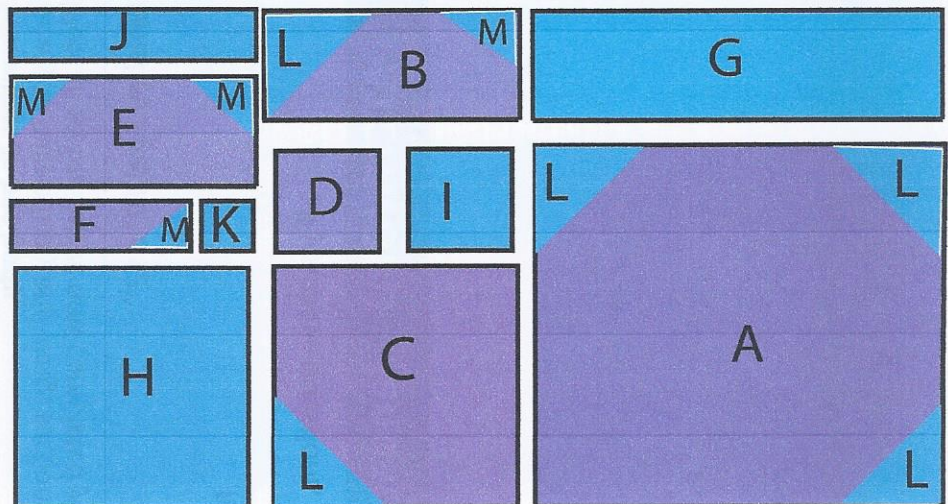
Fabric choices: Background - light blues  
Whale - any color

## Background fabric:

- G - 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" cut 1
- H - 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" cut 1
- I - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" cut 1
- J - 1 1/2" x 3 1/2" cut 1
- K - 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" cut 1
- L - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" cut 5
- M - 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" cut 4

## Whale:

- A - 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" cut 1
- B - 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" cut 1
- C - 4 1/2" x 6 1/2" cut 1
- D - 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" cut 1
- E - 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" cut 1
- F - 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" cut 1



## Flip and turn method

Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the wrong side of the L squares and M squares. Place the square on the corner of the large square/rectangle right sides together (RST). Sew on the line. Trim 1/4" from the seam line. Press open. Repeat on other corners as pattern shows.

## Make the whale body blocks

Start with the A square and add 3 L blocks on 3 corners following the flip and turn method. Add an L block to the lower left corner of C block, also using flip and turn.

## Whale tail section

Follow the same flip and turn technique for tail rectangle E and F using M square.

**Note:** whale tail B has both an L square and a M square.

## Sew together the whale and tail & background sections

Sew background G rectangle to whale A/L section.

Sew D to I. Next sew B/L/M to new D/I. Sew C/L to D/I and B/L/M sections.

Now you have a body and both tail sections done, sew them together. Press all seams. You've now completed your big wonderful whale. Hope you've enjoyed making this block! Now go watch her swim by at the beach!

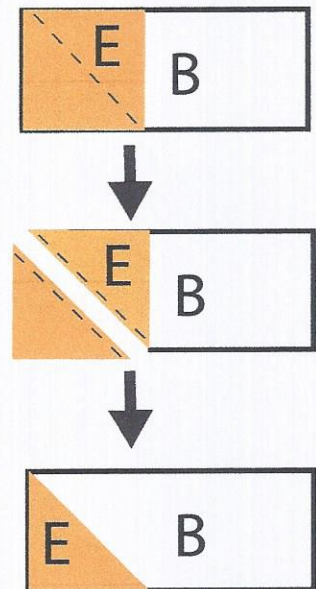
**Finished Size: 15" x 10"**

## Quilters abbreviations:

RST = Right Sides Together

HST = Half Square Triangle

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