Introduction

Gathering Material
Hello, friends, and welcome to the Sewcial Bee Sampler block-of-the-week sew-along. A sampler quilt is a fun way to try a variety of quilt block designs and piecing techniques, as well as use up scraps. For this sew-along, there will be 25 different beginner-friendly quilt blocks completed over a 26-week period. Most of the designs are traditional or variations of traditional patchwork patterns, but there are new designs sprinkled in as well.

The yardage requirements for completing the sampler are given as total amounts based on 42” wide fabric (see Material List). You can use as many different fabrics as you wish to reach the necessary yardage but, for purposes of writing the instructions, the different fabrics you may want to use in a block are listed as A, B, C, D, etc. Feel free to change up the fabrics and placements when making your blocks. Many (but not all) of the blocks call for additional strips of fabric to frame out the patchwork block to bring all the blocks up to the same finished 12” square size. In the Material List this fabric is called out separately as a total yardage for frames. Likewise the blocks (includes block background), sashing, binding, and backing are all treated as separate amounts for ease in your fabric selection. When printing out the PDFs for the blocks, be sure to select the landscape orientation.

A coloring book-style quilt diagram is included on page 2 in this handout so you can get out the colored pencils and play with color schemes and fabric placement.

Quilt Specs
Finished Size: 72” square
Number and Size of Finished Blocks: (25) 12” squares
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Material List
- 3-½ yards total for blocks
- 2 yards total for frames
- 1-½ yards total for sashing
- ½ yard total for binding
- 4-½ yards for backing
- 80” square batting