OCQG Block of the Month October 2016

9" Pumpkin Block

All seams are 1/4".

Cut:

Four 1 ½" squares, two 1 ½" x 3" strips, two 1 ½" x 6 ½" strips, and two 2" x 9 ½" strips, all of black fabric

One 1 ½" square, of either green or brown fabric

One 6 ½" square of orange fabric

Using the stitch-and-flip method, sew the four black squares diagonally to the corners of the orange square, making a Snowball block. Trim excess fabric $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the seamline. Sew the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3" strips to either side of the $1\frac{1}{2}$ " green or brown square. Attach this strip to one side of the orange-and-black octagon. Sew one $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " black strip atop the pieced "stem" strip, and the other on the bottom of the pumpkin. Sew the remaining two strips (2" x $9\frac{1}{2}$ ") to the sides of the pumpkin block. Press. Finished block should measure $9\frac{1}{2}$ " square.





Bonus difficulty level!

If you wish to challenge yourself, try piecing the 6 ½" orange square! Use a Nine-Patch made of 2 ½" squares, strip piece the pumpkin with 1 ½" strips, or build "made fabric" using crumb piecing.







Put your name in the drawing once for each block turned in (maximum of five). Questions? Call or e-mail Kristin at (714) 404-8857 or kristinstonham@gmail.com