

# March 2010 Block of the Month Julia's Windmill

12" square finished block

*March winds and April showers  
Bring forth May flowers.*

The summer I turned nine, we moved up to the ranch. My Grandpa had died and Gram couldn't farm the place by herself. There was plenty of acreage, but not many bedrooms. Gram and I shared one for two years while my brother finished high school. This is the pattern of the quilt that was on our bed. I called it "The H Quilt." Gram called it "Dutchman's Windmill." It doesn't match quilts of that name, so I've named it Julia's Windmill after Gram. This block is a piece from very old quilt that Gram kept as a pattern.



## Here's what you'll need:

White fabric for the H

Dark fabric for the edge of the blade

Light to medium fabrics for the inside of the blade.

## Here's what you'll cut:

3" x 12" from each of two medium fabrics

1 1/2" x 12" and enough strips for 8 -- 1 1/2 x 6 1/2" from white  
enough for 8 -- 1 1/4" x 6 1/2 strips from your dark fabric

## Assembling:

Sew a colored 3" x 12" strip to each side of the white 12" strip.  
Press and slice into 3" segments.

Sew remaining white strips to the smaller dark strip. Cut into eight 6 1/2" strips. Press and then sew together as shown at right. This makes a quarter of the block. Assemble the other 3 quarters and sew together to form Julia's Windmill. Blocks are piece without sashing.



**Enjoy!**

