

## November 2017 Block of the Month

### FOOTBALL

10 1/2 x 14 1/2 block unfinished

The football block will consist of only three colors: green for the grass (background) color, brown for the football and white for the laces of the football.

Green: (solid grass green or tonal)

- Four 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" squares
- Four 2-1/2" x 10-1/2" rectangles

Brown: (solid brown or tonal)

- Four 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangles
- Four 1-1/4" x 2" rectangles
- Two 1-1/4" x 2- 1/2" rectangles

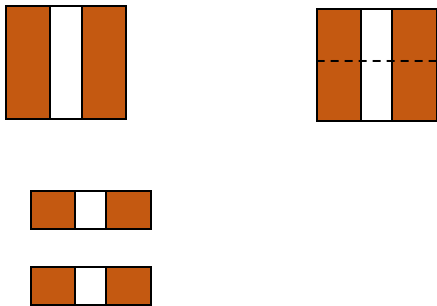
White: (solid white or tonal)

- Two 1" x 2" rectangles
- Five 1" x 2-1/2" rectangles

### Block Assembly:

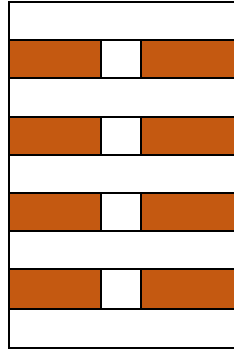
Make the football laces:

1. Sew one 1" x 2" white strip between two 1-1/4" x 2" brown strips along the long edge. Press seams towards the brown strips.
2. Sub-cut this unit in half horizontally.

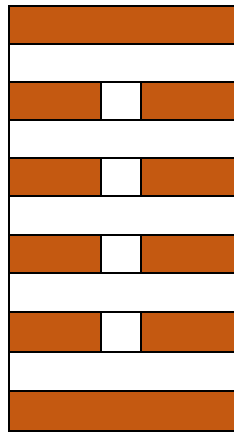


Repeat steps 1 and 2 to make two more units like the above.

3. Sew the five 1" x 2-1/2" white rectangles to the long sides of the four units above to create the laces. Begin and end with a white strip.



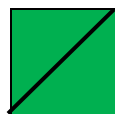
4. Sew a brown 1-1/4" x 2- 1/2" rectangle to the top and bottom of the above unit to complete the center laces section of the football. This complete unit should measure 2- 1/2" x 6 -1/2"



5. Sew a brown 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangle to each long side of the laces unit to make the sides of the football block.

Make the tips of the football:

1. Draw a line from one corner to the opposite corner on the reverse side of the four 2-1/2" green background squares.



- Align a 2-1/2" x 2-1/2" green square with the end of the 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" brown football strip as shown below, right sides together. Sew a seam on the marked diagonal line.

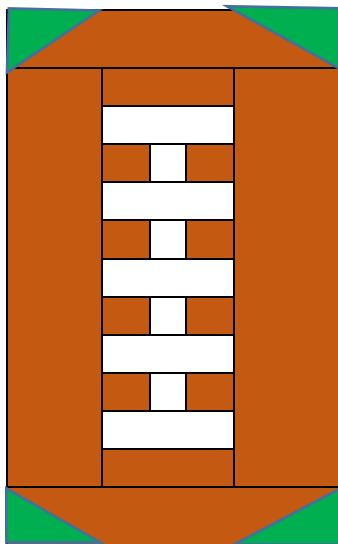


- Trim off the excess fabric that extends between the seam and outer corner of a square, leaving about 1/4" past the seam. Flip the green triangle right side up and press. Repeat with the other end of the strip, as illustrated, making sure that both triangles flip to the same side.



Repeat steps 2 and 3 to make another unit identical to the one you just made.

- Keeping the green triangles to the outside corners, sew these units to the top and bottom of your football unit.



Complete the block:

1. Sew a green 2-1/2" x 10-1/2" strip to each side of the football. Press seams towards outside of block.
2. Sew a green 2-1/2" x 10-1/2" strip to the top and bottom of your block. Press the seam allowances towards the outside of the block.



“Pass” your finished block to the BOM table. You scored by contributing to an awesome quilt top for a teenage boy!

All football quilt blocks submitted will be used to create a quilt top that will be donated to Sew for Hope.

*Thank you for your participation!*