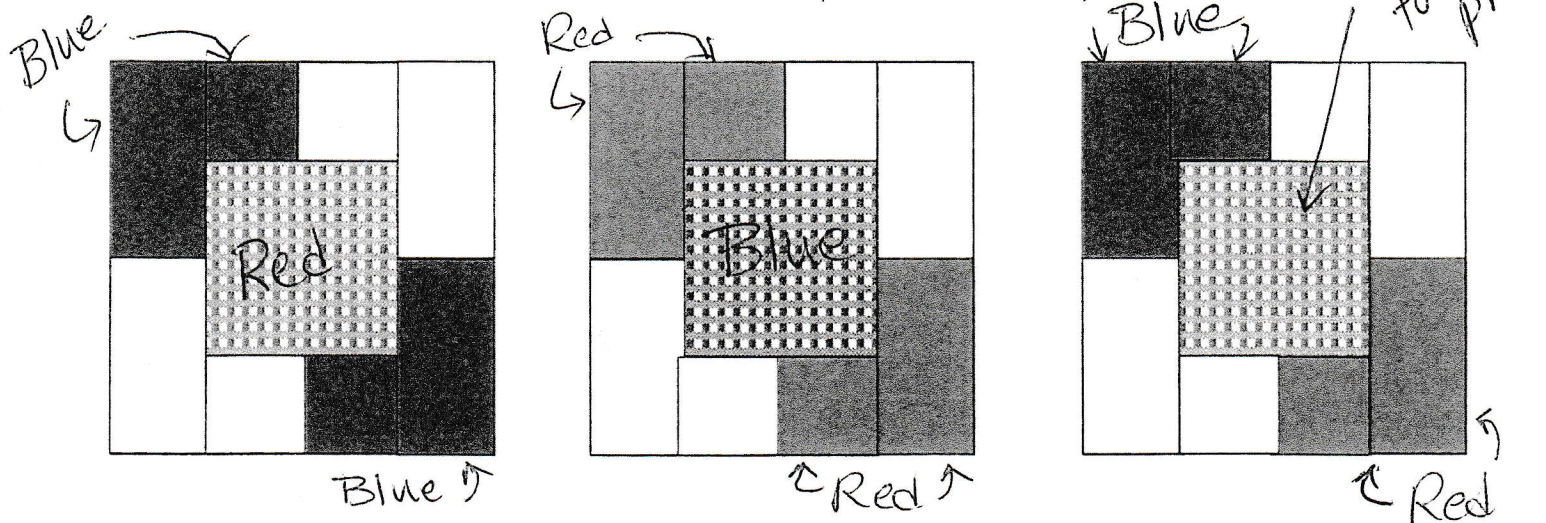


**"Echoes" 2026 National Block 10" finished (10 1/2" unfinished)**



**Welcome to Quilts of Valor's 2026 National Block Drive where your block donations support our efforts to cover every military veteran and active service member with a Quilt of Valor made especially for them.**

When choosing fabrics for your block donations, please use the guidelines given below, this will insure we are easily able to work your donations into a quilt for a veteran.

Use only red, white (cream) and blue fabrics. Please DO NOT use floral fabrics. The center block is a great opportunity to incorporate those medium and large prints (including branch specific) that attract the eye. If choosing branch specific, represent only one military branch per block. *or fussy cuts.*

The reds and blues to the upper left and lower right corners of the blocks should read as solids, only very small prints will work here.

The whites and creams should also read as solids; prints larger than a pin dot are too overwhelming to the rest of the block.

Thank you for working with the 2026 block drive, I look forward to coordinating your donations of blocks to support our groups as they sew these blocks into quilts to honor our veterans. Sew happy you are a part of our team.

Reflecting back to 2025 Block Drive, my desire to acknowledge each donation turned out far greater than my ability to do so. I know many of you did, many did not, receive acknowledgement of blocks received. I did try. Going forward to 2026, if you wish acknowledgement of blocks, quilts received, please include a stamped, self addressed envelope with a note enclosed stating your block donation; I will sign it and drop it back in the mail to you. Thank you for your understanding.

*Bring finished blocks to guild meeting.*

**Happy Sewing**

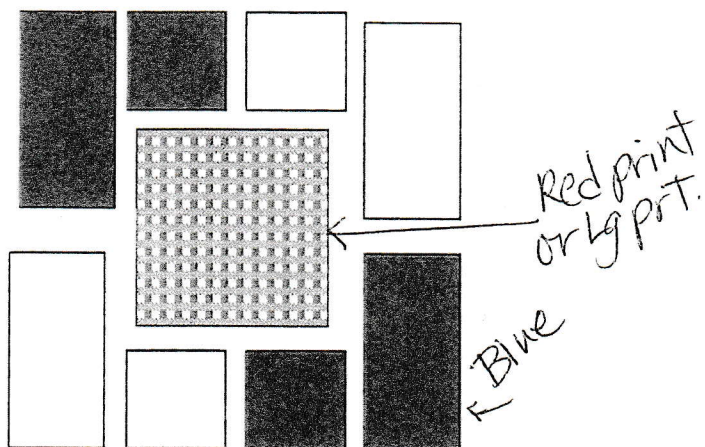
# **Echoes Block** 10" finished block (10 1/2" unfinished)

## Block One

Center: (1) 5 1/2" focus square (A)

Blue: (2) 3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (B), (2) 3" squares (C)

White: (2) 3" squares (D), 2-3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (E)

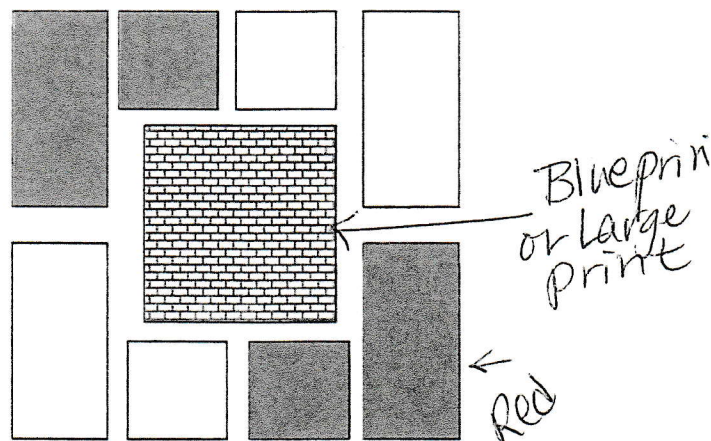


## Block Two

Center: (1) 5 1/2" square (A)

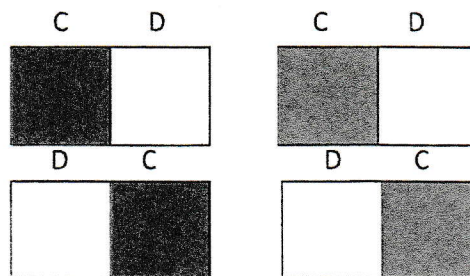
Red: (2) 3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (B), (2) 3" squares (C)

White: (2) 3" squares (D), (2) 3" X 5 1/2" rectangles (E)

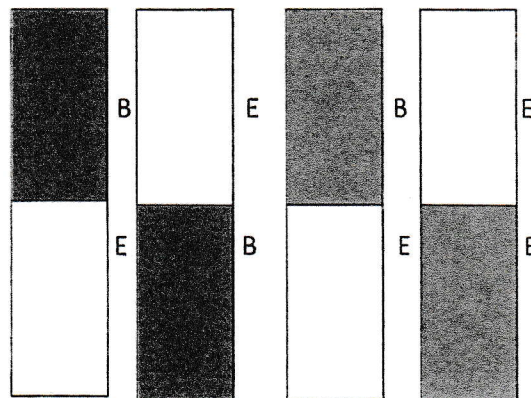


Sewing instructions are the same for Blocks 1, 2, and 3.

1. Sew one C to one D. Repeat for the other C and D.



2. Sew one B to one E. Repeat for the other B and E.



3. Sew units together as shown. Follow arrows for pressing.

