

## SANTIAM SCRAPPERS BOM for December, 2005

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### Poinsettia – 10” Block

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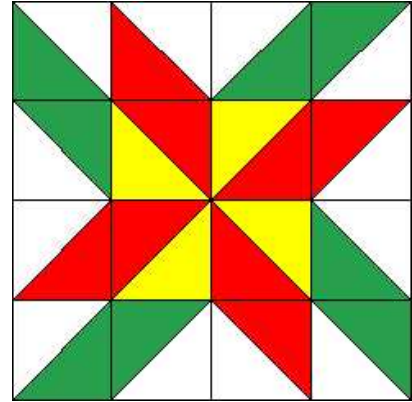
#### Colors:

Background – white on white or plain white

Poinsettia – Red, burgundy, port wine red, pink, ivory

Leaves – green

Center – yellow to gold



**Note:** Because the reds and greens tend to bleed, please make sure your fabrics have been washed by hand or machine prior to using them in this block. Since they will be next to white and yellow, color migration could cause problems. Before you cut the fabric you can spritz on the wrong side with spray starch or sizing before pressing. That brings back that nice crisp new feel. Thanks!☺

This block is constructed entirely with half-square triangle blocks. (HST) If you want to use a paper pattern (Thangles© or Triangles on a Roll©) you will need the size that finishes to 2 ½”). To make the HST without the papers, you will be cutting your squares at 3 ½”.

**Note:** After stitching on the diagonal and pressing, each HST will need to be squared to measure 3”. If this is not done, the entire block will be larger than 10 ½” and not finish into a 10” block.

Construction: (Use a scant ¼” seam when sewing. Because there are several points coming together when sewing the rows, open the seams for pressing.)

Cut 4 squares 3 ½” each of the background and leaf fabric. Use this to make 8 HST’s – squared to 3”.

Cut 2 squares 3 ½” each of the background and poinsettia fabric. Use this to make 4 HST’s – squared to 3”.

Cut 2 squared 3 ½” each of poinsettia and center fabric. Use this to make 4 HST’s – squared to 3”.

Following the color layout above, construct your block by rows, making sure that your seams are pressed and laying in opposite directions as you sew the rows to each other.