

BEAD ON A STRING

This 7 inch (finished size) Bead on a String quilt block is most easily made 2 or 3 at a time.

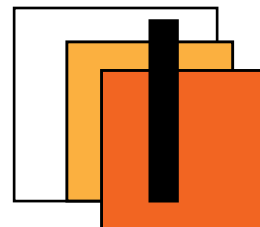


Cut Fabrics

Cut one 8-inch square for the background

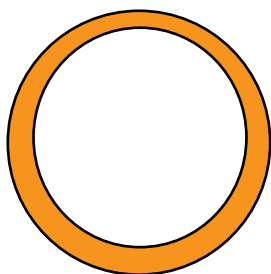
For the circle applique you'll need approximately a 6 inch square from 2 fabrics

For the string, cut a rectangle 1 inch by 7 1/2 inches



NOTE: the background square is trimmed to 7 1/2 inches square after the applique is added

Prepare Circle Appliqué

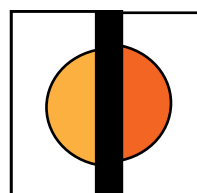
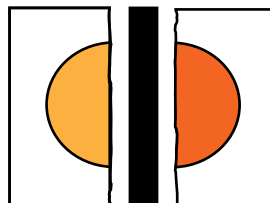
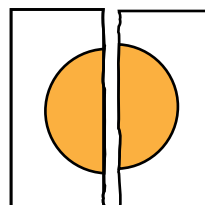
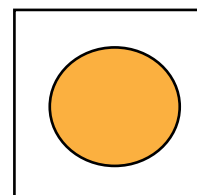


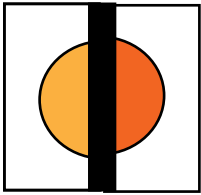
1. Create a template for a 5 inch circle from lightweight cardboard or template plastic. I printed the template on the next page, glued it to lightweight cardboard and then cut on the line.
2. Lightly trace the template on the back of your bead fabrics.
3. Cut the fabric adding a generous 1/4 inch seam allowance.
4. Using needle and thread, make a running stitch in the seam allowance.
5. Place your center fabric right side down, place the template on top, then pull the thread to pull the seam allowance to the back of the template. PRESS. Allow the fabric/template to cool, then gently loosen the stitches and remove the template and PRESS again to reinforce edge.



Sew the Block

1. Fold the background square and the circle appliqué into quarters and crease the folds with your fingers. Use the folds to center the circle in the square.
2. Applique the circle to the square using matching or clear thread.
3. Square the block to 7 1/2 inches square, keeping the circle in the center. The center of the circle should be 3 3/4 inches from the edge of the background square.
4. Cut the block in half. You'll have two rectangles that measure 3 3/4 by 7 1/2 inches.
5. Trim the background fabric away from behind the circle applique.
6. Repeat with one or more blocks.
7. Insert the string rectangle between two rectangle half blocks, each with different bead fabrics. You're done.





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Template and guidelines for the February 2014 Block Lotto

Block Lotto Guidelines

- Fabric Guidelines:
 - WHITE background fabrics may be solids or WOW prints.
 - BLACK string fabric may be black solid, black on black (BOB) prints or white on black prints that are predominately black.
 - BEAD fabrics may be YELLOW, ORANGE and/or MAROON solids, tone on tone (TOT) prints or multicolor prints that are predominately yellow, orange or maroon.
- You can enter a **maximum of NINE blocks**.
- You may use the same white and black in all blocks, the the two fabric combination for the bead must be unique in each block.
- Use the Tag **bead** for your blog posts about this block.



Circle Template

