

# Ponte Vecchio



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## Florence.

You stand at the top of the Duomo, 463 steps conquered, now rewarded with the sprawling views of Florence. Your eyes take in the sea of terracotta roofs below, making way for bustling markets, rushing tourists, and busy cafes... the Ponte Vecchio sparkling in the distance. The smell of rich leather and roasted coffee wafts through the air.



### General Notes:

- All seam allowances are 1/4".
- This block is completely pieced.
- Block size 12.5" x 12.5" unfinished.
- RST: Right sides together.
- I like looking at pictures so I hope you enjoy some of the ones I've shared. Sorry if it's too many!

### Supplies needed:

- A - Fat 8<sup>th</sup> light blue fabric for sky
- B - Fat 8<sup>th</sup> dark brown fabric for roof and windows
- C - Fat quarter tan fabric for bridge
- D - Fat 8<sup>th</sup> blue fabric for river

### Cutting Instructions:

- From fabric A cut: 2 3/4" x 12 1/2" for sky
- From fabric B cut:
  - B1 Roof of bridge: 1" x 12 1/2"
  - B2 Bridge windows: (2) – 1 1/2" x 2"
  - B3 Bridge window: 1 1/2" x 3 1/2"
- From fabric C cut:
  - C1 Top of bridge: 2" x 12 1/2"
  - C2 Bridge windows: (4) – 1 1/2" x 2"
  - C3 Bridge center: 2 1/2" x 12 1/2"
  - C4 Bridge pillar: 2 1/2" x 2 1/4"
  - C5 Bridge arch: (4) 1 1/2" squares
- From fabric D cut:
  - D1 (2) – 2 7/8" x 2 1/2" or 3" x 2 1/2" and trim down when squaring up final block
  - D2 River under center bridge 2 1/2" x 4 1/4"
  - D3 River 3 1/4" x 12 1/2"

### Before we get started:

- Labeling block pieces HELPS!
- I like to lay out all my pieces on a mini design board or my cutting table next to my sewing machine. I find this super helpful.
- I hope you HAVE FUN making your block!

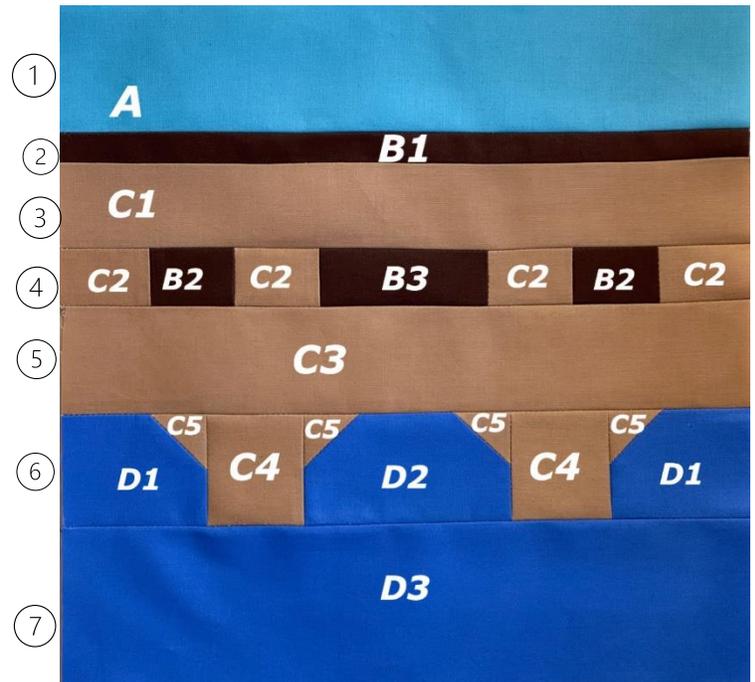


Figure 1



## Sewing instructions:

1. Lay out pieces as shown above, *figure 1*.
2. Sew A and B1 RTS using a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press seams open.
3. Sew B1 and C1 RTS, press seams open. Set aside.
4. Line up your C2's, B2's, and B3 window pieces as shown above. Go down the row and sew all pieces RST (C2 to B2, B2 to C2, C2 to B3, B3 to C2, C2 to B2, B2 to C2). Press all seams open.
5. Sew windows from step 4 to C1 RST, press seams open.
6. Sew row of windows to C3 RST, press seams open. Set unit aside.
7. Grab a C5 square and draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on wrong side of fabric, repeat until all 4 squares have a diagonal line.
8. Lay D1 right side facing up then lay a C5  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square on the top right corner with diagonal line face up and sew ON the diagonal line. Trim  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the right of sewn line. Press open and repeat for remaining D1 but sew C5  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square on the LEFT to corner. See *figure 2* for detailed pictures. Set piece aside.
9. Repeat step 8 for D2 but instead of only sewing 1 corner you will be sewing the 2 remaining C5  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares on BOTH corners of D2.
10. Lay out pieces from steps 8 and 9, along with C4 pillars, sew all pieces together, pressing seams open. Refer to *figure 1*, row 6.
11. Sew bridge pillar unit from step 10 to the C3 center of bridge/rest of block, press seams open.
12. Now, sew last fabric D3 to the rest of the block.
13. Square up block and you're done!

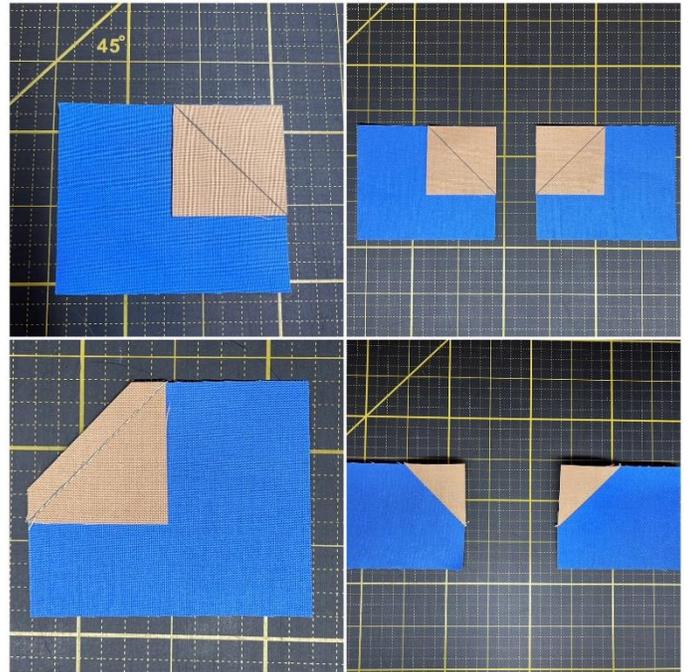


Figure 2



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