

## APRIL 2010 BLOCK-A-MONTH PANTRY JARS



This 12" finished block pattern is a variation of the "Bug Jar" block that was introduced several years ago. But our jars have no bugs!!!! They all sit nicely in our pantry and are filled with food items – any and all types of food items from fruits and vegetables to pizza, cupcakes, and sushi! The block size is suitable for both small and large prints – so check your stash and see what edible delights you can find to put in your jars!!!!

### **FABRIC AND CUTTING:**

Jar Contents (Focus Fabric) - any food themed fabric that will contrast to the black background fabric  
--One 8-1/2" x 8-1/2" square

Jar Lid – any landscape, geometric or other fabric that would resemble a canning jar lid  
--One 1-3/4" x 5-1/2" strip

Background – any black fabric

- (Jar Corners)            Four 1-1/2" x 1-1/2" squares
- (Block Sides)            Two 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" strips
- (Lid Sides)                Two 1-3/4" x 4" strips
- (Block Top)                One 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" strip
- (Block Bottom)            One 1-1/4" x 12-1/2" strip

### **SEWING:**

--Using the snowball method, sew 1-1/2" background squares to each corner of your 8-1/2" x 8-1/2" focus fabric square (Jar Contents). Cut away just the middle triangle of your "snowball" leaving a 1/4" seam allowance and press your remaining background triangle toward the block corners.

--Sew one 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" background fabric strip (Block Sides) to each "side" of your focus fabric jar square; press seams toward the background strip.

--Sew one 1-3/4" x 4" background fabric strip (Lid Sides) to each short end of the jar lid fabric; press toward the background strip.

--Sew this completed jar lid row to the 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" background strip (Block Top); press toward the block top strip.

--Sew this two part segment to the "top" of your jar block. Press toward the jar lid.

--Sew the 1-1/4" x 12-1/2" background strip (Block bottom) to the bottom of the jar block; press toward the bottom strip

Block should measure 12-1/2" square

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