

Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Meeting

October 16, Nanaimo Curling Club, doors open at 1 pm & 6 pm, meetings at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm

Garage Sale, No library

Show and Share: bring something from your earlier quilting days with a Fall theme.

Next Executive Meeting (Zoom) October 2 , 1:30 pm

Newsletter Deadline

October 21

Refreshments:

In October, members whose last names start with the letters C and D, it's your turn to bring goodies to the meeting for our coffee / tea break. Consider bringing a treat that was popular in the 1980s!

In our newsletters' online version, blue lettering gives a live link to websites and email addresses. Best viewed in Google Chrome (may not work on a Mac).

See what our Guild and its members are up to. You can submit photos of your quilts to our Facebook and Instagram sites. Click on the FACEBOOK link [here](#)

Guild Website

The Members Only section password is printed on the back of your membership card. If you have something of interest for our Guild web site, please send it to Sue Creba at smcreba@gmail.com

Presidents' Pen

Quilting: where creativity, craftsmanship and community intersect.

As quilters we are very aware of the community we are part of, and that is very true about the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild. At meetings we gather, learn, talk and exchange ideas and resources. In the broader community we recognize each other in coffee shops, grocery stores and especially fabric stores. This guild is aided by the work of over 47 individuals who have taken on a role in the guild to assist our activities. It is the support of these individuals that makes our guild community thrive. It is also the contributions of each member through attending meetings and their gift of time and materials that supports the donation of quilts, placemats, tea cozies, and bags, etc. that we contribute to a variety of community services.

Quilt stores contribute to us by advertising in our newsletter. This in turn supports our website. Next time you are doing business with one of our advertisers let them know that you are a NQG member. (Sometimes there is a benefit!)

One of the goals of the Executive is to continue growing our membership. Several Executive members have worked together to develop a brochure to place in local quilt stores to let quilters know about the guild. The brochures should be in stores very soon.

This month many of us are excited to be going to the Guild's retreat on Quadra Island. Five busy days of sewing, learning, laughing and of course, eating.

Bring your cash to the October meeting as some members are ready to sell their quilting materials and supplies in a "garage sale". Find a treasure and create a new project.

We are celebrating the NQG's 40th Anniversary throughout the coming year. Join us for cake at our October meeting, both afternoon and evening, and learn about how we will continue the celebration of this wonderful organization. *Happy Quilting! Ellen Ellis & Kathleen Kane, your Co-Presidents*

October 40th Anniversary Happenings

This month is the 40th anniversary of the first meeting of the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild! To celebrate there will be special cake at the meetings. We'll also begin our participatory game, "40 Things" during the break.

In early October we will issue a press release to let the community know we're celebrating 40 years of friendship and service.

For this and future meetings, if you are bringing treats, consider bringing a treat that was popular in the 1980s! Who doesn't still love lemon bars?!

For the October show and share, we're asking our long-term members to consider bringing something from your earlier quilting days with a Fall theme. We'd love to take a trip down memory lane with you – especially if it's a project you completed with the guild or at a guild workshop.

Guild Programs and Workshops

Hopefully (most) everyone enjoyed the NanGo Grannies sale. I found some very nice flannel for incubator quilts.

By now most of you have watched the Sampler Platter. Hope you enjoyed it.

At our Guild meeting on **October 16** we are having a garage sale. Please remember we are only looking for quilt-related 'stuff'.

On **Saturday, November 9** or **Sunday, November 10**, we are holding Studio Tours. This is your opportunity to show us your sewing area.

Jump forward to the Guild meeting on February 19, 2025...Julie Plotniko from Snip & Stitch will have a presentation on thread as well as a pop-up shop.

Program Committee Chair Vicki Zoltay

CQA Report

Another busy year is underway with preparations for CQA's next juried show, being held at the International Centre in Mississauga, Ontario, June 18-21, 2025.

CQA's blog has lots of interesting posts of comings and goings in the quilting world, you can check it out at canadianquilter.com/blog/

The next scheduled webinar for this year will be presented by Kathy K Wylie on October 16 at 7 pm. The recording will be available for viewing from Oct 17-21. Tickets are available for members and nonmembers through Canadian Quilters' website. If you'd like to visit Kathy's website to see some of her award-winning work, go to kathykwylie.com/

Happy quilting everyone and welcome to Fall!

Christine Hustins, CQA liaison



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Placemats

Your response in September was overwhelming, but we would still appreciate a few more before December.

Thank you all so much for such generosity. We received 76 placemats and 4 tea cozies at the September meetings, so now have 289 placemats and 32 tea cozies in stock.

I am still away cruising as I write this so will submit pictures for the next Newsletter. I will be at the October meeting with more batting.

Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma, Maureen

Country Grocer Till Tape Program

We are now fully registered in the til tape program with Country Grocer. We have turned in \$18,000 tapes so far and I'm currently holding another \$12,000 to drop off. Well done ladies!

When you bring your tapes to the meeting there will be a box at the sign in table to drop your tapes into. If you could take the time to underline the subtotal and circle the date that would be helpful.

The tapes can be quite faded by the light so try to keep them in an envelope and out of the sun. The tapes can be from any Country Grocer store and must be no more than a year old.

As a special incentive to Gabriola residents - any purchase of \$75 or more with valid proof of address will give you 15% off your total bill. This is just about the amount you need to get your vehicle back to the island.

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Thanks for your participation in this too easy fund raiser. *Sue Artuso*



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Membership

The Fall is the start of our Guild's membership year. Many have already sent in their forms and funds for the 2024-25 year – thank you! Your new membership cards and receipts are available for pick-up at the membership table at our monthly meeting.

We have a new member! Welcome to Elizabeth Nicol-Smith. Membership is \$40 for the year with a charge of \$16 for those who want the newsletter mailed to them. Funds can be paid via cheque payable to Nanaimo Quilters' Guild or via e-transfer to membershipnqg@gmail.com

Mailing address is Nanaimo Quilt Guild Membership, P.O. Box 943, Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5N2.

The treasurer will be on hand at the afternoon meetings for anyone wanting to pay by credit card.

A membership form is included on page 11, and on the www.islandquilters.ca website under the Membership tab. The form can be printed, and there is also a fillable pdf form there that can be saved and emailed to membershipnqg@gmail.com If you have any questions please contact membershipnqg@gmail.com

Members for the coming year will be listed on the website once more renewals have been received. We currently have 107 members in good standing. Well on our way!

Barb Kerfoot & Laura Beswick, Membership Committee

Donation Quilts

Thanks to the continued generosity of our guild members we had very successful September meetings. We received 10 NICU, 21 lap, 4 baby quilts, for a total of 35 quilts, plus 1 wheelchair quilt, 8 tote bags for Crossroads, and 9 knitted baby hats.

We would also like to say a big thank you to Margaret Sandeman-Allen (98 years young) who donated 20+ knitted baby hats and a large bag of baby yarn. These items were delivered to NRGH by Linda Campbell.

We will have batting, backings and labels at the October meeting. We have just received some wide backings, so if you need a specific backing or batting size.

Donation Quilts Committee, the Scrappy Bags

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Challenge

Happy 40th Anniversary folks! The 2024/2025 Challenge Kits will be available for purchase at either of the October guild meetings. Each kit will contain feature fabric and contest rules and will sell for \$2.00. There are only 32 kits, 7 of which will be held for the evening meeting members. In November, those who wish to purchase an additional kit will have the opportunity to do so. If a member wishes to enter more than one piece in the challenge, they must purchase more than one kit but can only win one prize/ribbon. As in past years, the rules are open to interpretation and creativity and will suit any style from traditional piecing to foundation piecing to appliqué and to modern quilting. Happy Creating.

Vicki Dods & Jeannette Blackmore, Challenge Coordinators

WHAT'S NEW ON Youtube

Some of you are already familiar with this channel as this has a great PDF of a Christmas Stocking. I watched a few more of her tutorials and she has a lot of Christmas projects to see.

The channel is sewingpartsonline.com ENJOY.

Library

It was great to see everyone at the first meeting of the year. Thank you so much for returning all the materials you had signed out in May. We would like to remind everyone there is no library at our October meeting so the books you signed out in September are yours until November.

In case you were not aware, in the Members Only section of the website, there are listings for all the books in the library, both by author and by title. *The Library Team*

Fine Art & Artisan Show

October 19 & 20 10 am - 4 pm

6234 Spartan Road Nanaimo

Paintings, pottery, photography, fabric arts, sculpture, recycled metal arts, jewelry, glass art, wood crafts, printmaking and art cards. Door prizes and refreshments area serving tea, coffee & home baking.

NanGo Grannies Thank You!

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General Meeting Minutes of September 18, 2024

Call to order: 1:33 pm by Kathleen Kane, Co-President

Hospitality: afternoon 75 members, 1 guest, evening 26 members.

Moved by Christine Hustins, seconded by Judy Peterson to accept the minutes of the General Meeting of May 15, 2024 as posted. Carried.

Correspondence: posted on the notice board

Treasurer's report: posted on the notice board

Motion: Moved by Kathleen Kane, seconded by Terri Askham to accept the 2024/25 budget as circulated. Carried.

Committee Reports

Donations: see report on page 2.

Challenge: see report on page 4. Thirty kits will be available at the October meeting for \$2 each. Vicki and Jeanette will be stepping down as Challenge Coordinators after this year.

Quilt Bee: see report on page 6.

Library: See report on page 4. No library in October. Pat Ryan explained the numbering system for books and the bagging system for magazines.

Newsletter Advertising: Ellen Ellis reported that 15 advertisers have brought in a revenue of \$1861. She encouraged all members to visit the businesses of our advertisers and let them know they saw their ad in the newsletter. She encouraged members to sign a Get Well card for Cindy Scraba.

Placemats: Norma Franks thanked the members for the 85 placemats handed in today.

40th Anniversary: Terri Askham gave an overview of plans for the 40th Anniversary celebrations to be held this year beginning in October with cake, a media release

and a monthly activity called "40 Things". In April we will hold a tea party at which Historians Greta Simmons and Marsha Whitmee will provide a historical retrospective of guild activities and show 3 historic quilts.

Block of the month: Lidia Hak showed the Ruby block to introduce this year's BOM program. All blocks will be 12.5" unfinished. The block directions are on pages 12-15 in the online newsletter and also will be available at the meetings.

Membership: Barb Kerfoot reported that membership signups are at 73. The password for the Members Only section of the website will change as of October 1. It is found on the back of your new membership card

Program: Please see report on page 2. Three activities will be at Jonanco : Retreat at Home starting Oct. 31, Pet Mesh Bag –Nov. 23, and UFO Day- Mar. 15

New Business: Sue Artuso spoke about the Till Tape Program at Country Grocer. Bring in your till tapes with the subtotal and date underlined. The guild will receive 1% of the total for every \$5000 in gift cards which can be used to purchase items ie. for the Quilt Show. Tapes cannot be more than 1 year old. A box will be at the registration table to put the tapes in.

DRAWS:

Show & Share: Vicki Zoltay

Hospitality: Marg Bradley, evening Sasha Koerbler

Mystery Fabric: Jean Dally, evening Vicki Zoltay

Raffles: Judy Moran, Barbara Dickie, Lynn Bentsen, Leslie Millward, Vicki Zoltay, Janet Knecht, Isabel Bunning, Val Ursulak. Evening: Sheila Redel, Lidia Hak, Vicki Zoltay, Sharon Dubyna.

Adjourned: at 3:15 pm *Valerie Ursulak, Guild Secretary*

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Quilt Bee January 25, 2024

We delivered 30 quilts to Haven recently (photo below). For new members, this event is a once a year workshop to make quilts for Haven House (a women's safe house). The members come together at a facility (Oliver Woods Recreation Centre) for a pot luck lunch and the making of quilts. Our standard size is 45"x 60". The guild supplies the backing and batting in this size only. You can make larger quilts if you want. Members also make quilts year round for this charity and can be handed in year round.

This year the free sign will start up in October with batting and backing to give out (one per person). Quilt kits will be available as well.

Also in recent years Haven House has requested tote bags approx 20" wide x 18" high as well as large Christmas Stockings. So lots of options for donation. Please come and see us all at the Quilt Bee table starting in October. If you are new and would like to be involved in the Bee as a volunteer, please consider this event, and speak with Janet or Bonnie..

It is a fun day and a great way to get to know everyone.

Janet Knecht and Bonnie Dormuth



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Nanaïmo Quilters' Guild

Membership Registration Form

2024 / 2025 year

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Are you a new member? _____ Have you ever been a member in the past? _____

I wish to have the Guild Newsletter delivered by: regular mail (\$16) online

I was an Honorary Member in 2023-24

I do do not consent to my personal information appearing on the membership list that is provided to the members of the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild.

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Print Name _____

Signature _____

Areas in which I am willing to volunteer:

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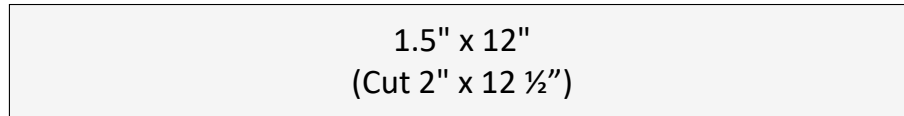
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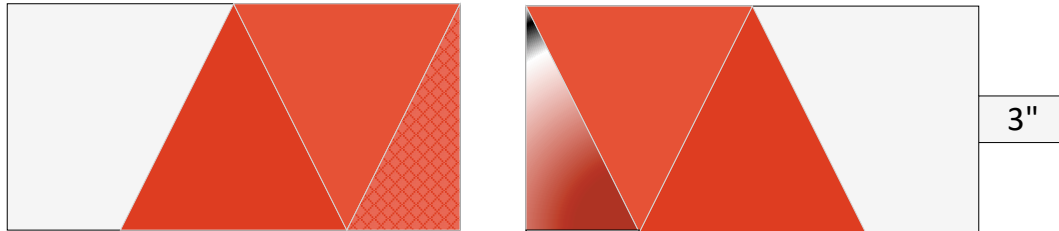
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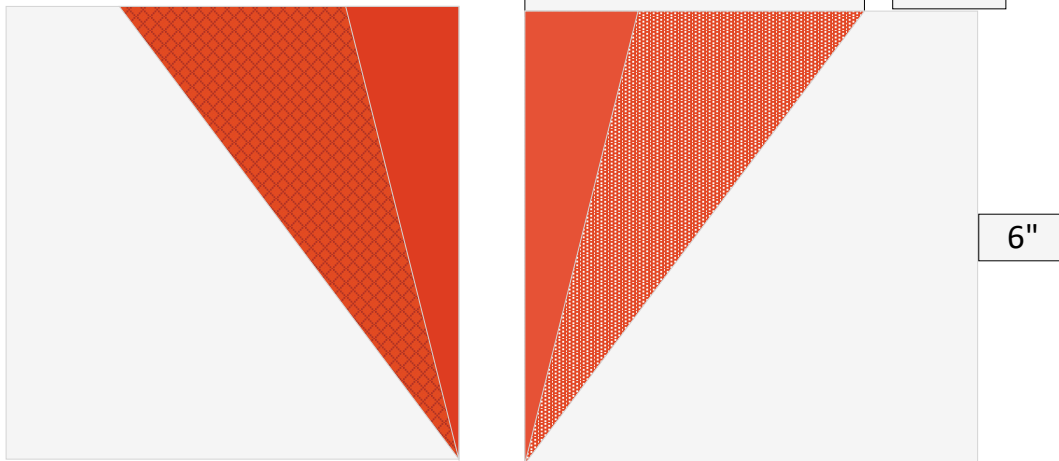
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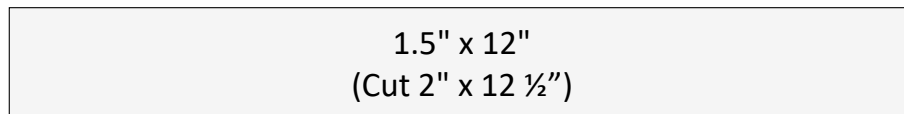
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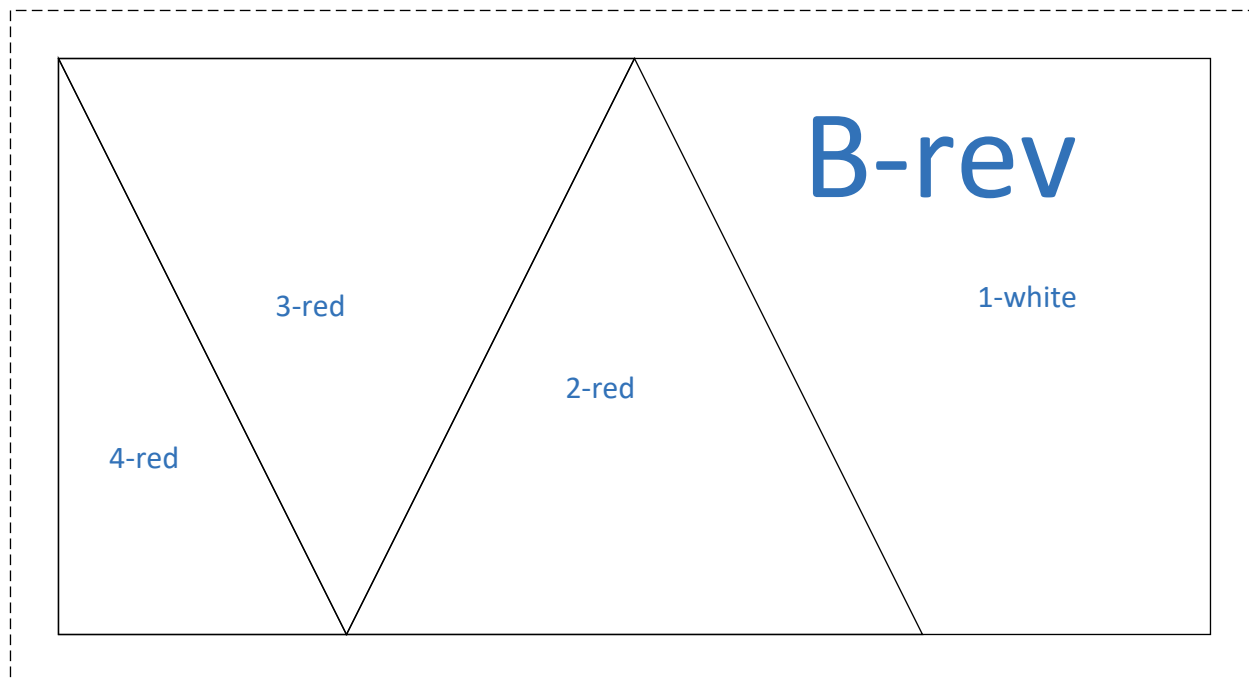
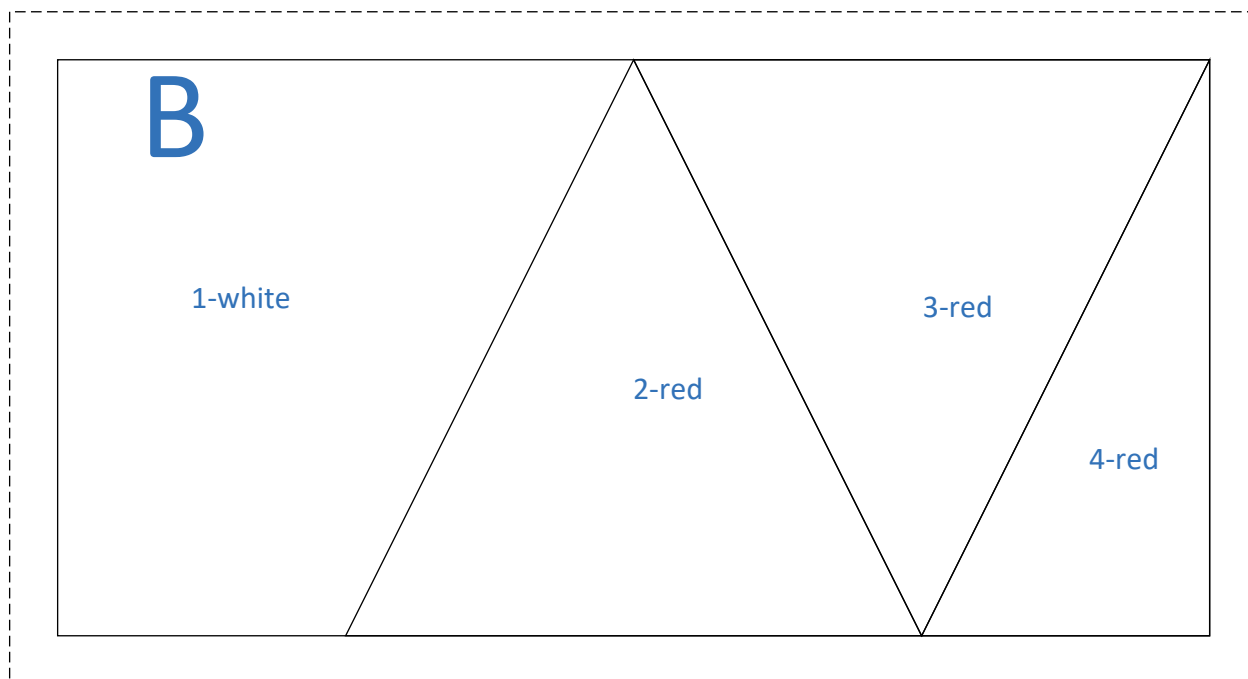


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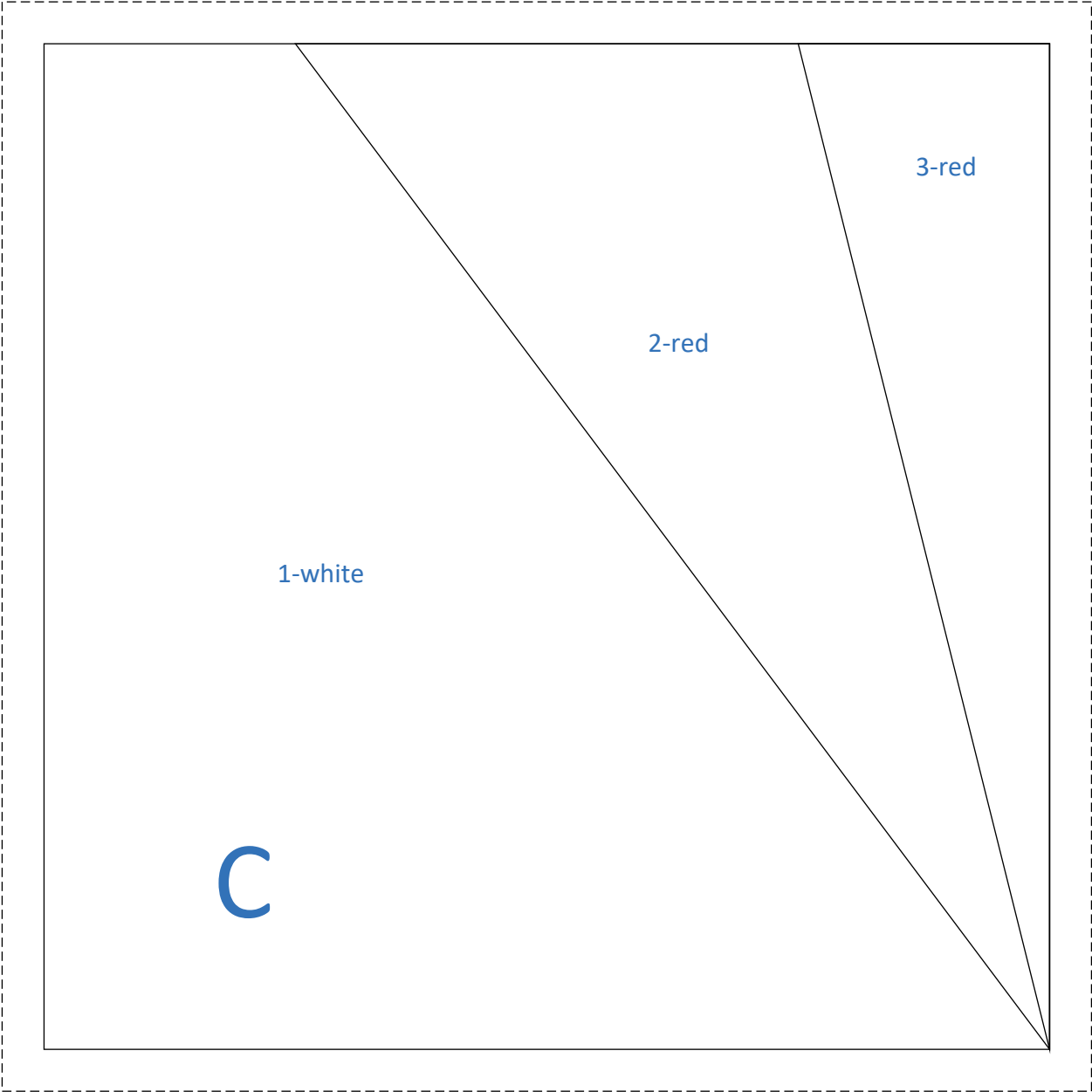
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