

THE FISH BLOCK

USUALLY it takes a splendid imagination to guess why our designing ancestors bestowed on their creations of squares and triangles such fanciful names. But here one can almost smell the salt water. Or if you have not the deep-sea eye for discovering marine life in calico, you still may appreciate in the Fish Block a most rhythmical and conventional design.

It finishes about 16 inches square if seams are added to the cutting patterns here given. These parts should be traced on cardboard or heavy blotting paper. Draw around them onto your cloth, keeping a true bias on all of these angle lines. Cut a seam larger and sew back to the marked line. This would make a most suitable quilt for a boy's room, seaside cottage, or really any room where the furnishings are "homey" enough to require a patchwork coverlet.

Material Estimate: Thirteen pieced blocks, put together with 12 alternate white blocks, and finished with three-inch borders of both orange and yellow, will make a quilt about 82 inches square. This requires 5 yards of white, 3 yards of orange, and 3 yards of yellow. To make the quilt longer than wide, add a four-inch strip of white at the top and bottom before adding the border.

Quilting Suggestion: Our Anchor design, No. 262 at 25c, will add just the right flavor to this nautical design.

