

## New Shoots Block for Bushfire Charity Quilts – Lorena Uriarte

Block measures 12" finished/ 12 ½ " unfinished  
All seams are ¼"

### Requirements:

- 14" low volume square - background
- 14"x ¾ " brown fabric - stem
- 5"x 9" in 3 different shades of green
- Freezer paper
- Applique thread and needle
- Sewing machine with quarter inch patchwork foot or guide
- Rotary cutter and matt
- Paper and fabric scissors
- Glue stick



### Instructions:

1. Print out leaf template and trace onto 6 pieces of freezer paper.
2. Cut out just inside your trace line.
3. Iron freezer paper templates to the wrong side of your fabric, two leaves for each colour.
4. Cut fabric, leaving roughly ¼" seam allowance all around the freezer paper leaf.
5. Using a glue stick, fold over seam allowance and baste it under neatly. Set aside.
6. Cut a strip off one side of the 14" background square. It needs to be at least 4 ½" from one edge. It doesn't matter if it's not exactly like the one shown.
7. Insert the ¾" brown strip using a ¼" seam allowance.
8. Press seam allowances out flat to reduce bulk.
9. Keeping the leaves within the 12" finished block size, arrange the leaves as you like.
10. Pin or glue baste in place, applique using your favourite technique.
11. Remove the freezer paper template from the back by cutting a slit in the back of the leaf shape and gently pulling out paper.
12. Iron your block flat and trim all threads.
13. We will trim blocks to 12 ½" square just before joining together so they are all the same size. Thank you x