

one block minis

WHAT YOU NEED

To make eleven 4", eleven 6" and eleven 8" blocks, for a total of 33 mini blocks:

Bella Solids: 12 fat quarters - each fat quarter will be enough for at least three blocks

Cream Fabric: 1 yard - use for background

Binding - One Jelly Roll (one 2 1/4" strip x the width of the fabric is enough to bind one mini block)

Backing: 4" block - use 6" X 6" fabric

6" block - use 8" X 8" fabric

8" block - use 10" X 10" fabric

Batting - Use the same size of batting as the backing for each block size.

Instructions

1/4" seam allowance is included

Press seams open



Make sure to read the complete instructions before starting the blocks. The following are general instructions for all of the blocks. Dimensions and specific instructions for each individual block design follow the general instructions. Make one single block or make several to combine in a larger quilt.

How to read each block diagram

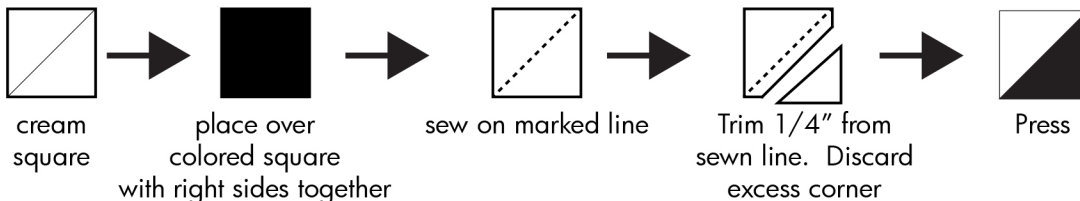
For example, if you are making an 8" Star Block, find the Star Block diagram on page 2. The diagram indicates the block uses four background squares and twelve half square triangles. The diagram also indicates that the size of the background squares is 2 1/2" and the size of the half square triangles is also 2 1/2" (for the 8" finished block). You would simply cut four background (cream) pieces 2 1/2" square. You would then make twelve half square triangles, using a 2 1/2" background (cream) square and a 2 1/2" colored square to create each half square triangle.

Half Square Triangles

Many of the blocks have half square triangles in the design. To make the half square triangles:

1. Each block diagram will indicate the number of half square triangles to make for the block you choose to make and will give the dimensions of the squares for each size block.
2. Half square triangles are made by placing two squares (one light and one dark) right sides together matching the raw edges.
3. With a pencil mark a diagonal line from one corner to the opposite corner. Refer to diagram.
4. Sew on the marked line. Refer to diagram.
5. Trim the excess corner 1/4" from the sewn line and discard. Refer to diagram.
6. Turn the triangle back and press. Refer to diagram.

To save time marking a sewing line, we recommend using a special ruler by prairieskyquilting.com called the Folded Corner Clipper.



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Blocks

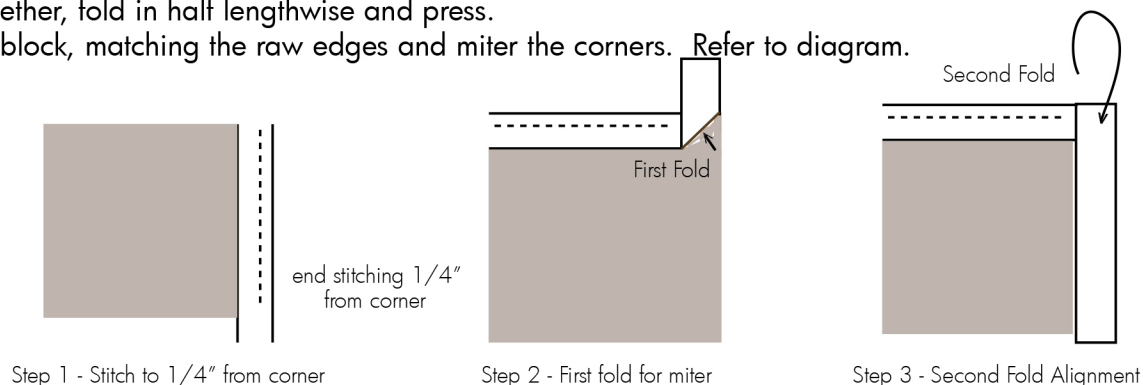
1. Refer to each block diagram for placement of pieces.
2. With right sides together, sew the pieces in rows and then sew the rows together.

Backing and Batting

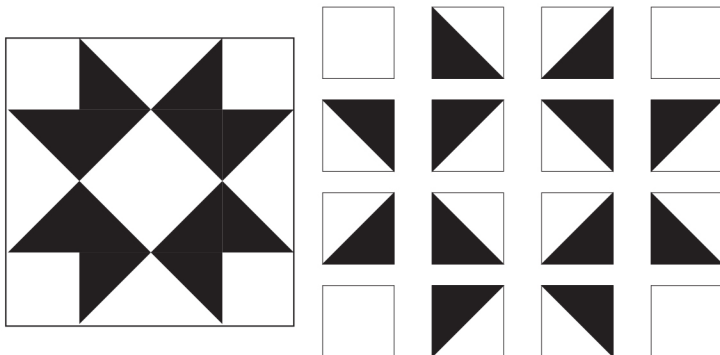
1. Cut backing and batting slightly larger than the block top.
2. With wrong sides together, layer the back, batting and then block top
3. Hand or machine quilt. Use a heavyweight thread or pearl cotton for hand quilting.
4. Cut away excess backing and batting.

Binding

1. Cut one strip 2 1/4" x the width of the fabric.
2. With wrong sides together, fold in half lengthwise and press.
3. Sew to the top of the block, matching the raw edges and miter the corners. Refer to diagram.



STAR



Sew the blocks together in the above order to get four rows. Then sew the rows together.

QUANTITY OF EACH PIECE

FOUR



TWELVE



DIMENSIONS OF EACH PIECE depending on the size of the finished block

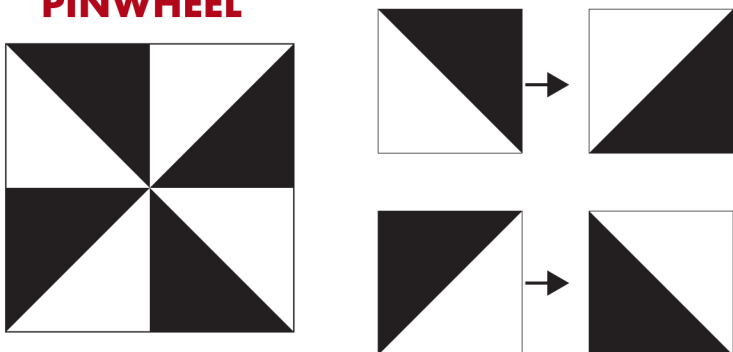
4" Block 6" Block 8" Block

1 1/2" 2" 2 1/2"

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Refer to the "Half Square Triangle" instructions on page one.

PINWHEEL



Sew the blocks together in the above order to get two rows. Then sew the rows together.

QUANTITY OF EACH PIECE

FOUR



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4" Block 6" Block 8" Block

2 1/2" 3 1/2" 4 1/2"

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