

Block of the Month – setting Blocks

4 by 8 inches (4 ½ by 8 ½ edge to edge)



You will need 36 of these blocks. You can make them all at one time, or have them cut and make them as you need them. I am going to give you two ways of making them.

With Half Square ruler;

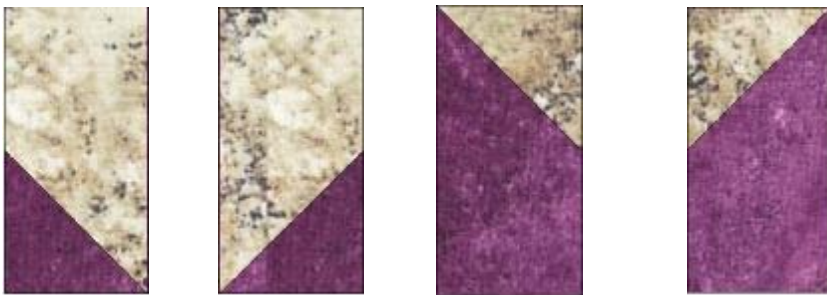
You will need 10 – 2 ½ inch strips of each fabric.

Put two strips of one colour right sides together and trim the end.

Place the half square ruler on the edge of the strip so that the bottom of the triangle is even with the bottom of the strip, and the 4 ½ inch mark is on the trimmed right end if you are right handed. (if you cut left handed, place the ruler on the right end, upside down with the 4 ½ inch mark on the right). Cut the angle line. Now, flip the ruler on the point, and move it down until the 4 ½ inch mark is at the top. Cut the straight edge. You need 36 pairs of angled rectangles in each colour.

Cut 36 pairs of half square triangles of each colour out of the remaining strips.

Sew a half square triangle to each of the angled rectangles, noting that half must have the point on the right and half on the left.



Now, arrange the rectangles as shown in the picture and sew them together.

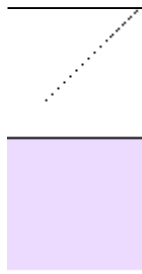
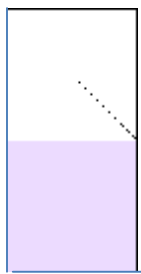
With Connector Corners

You will need 12 strips of each colour.

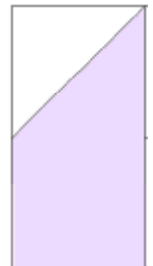
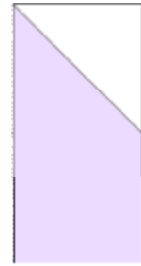
Cut 72 - 4 ½ by 2 ½ inch rectangles, and 72 2 ½ inch squares of each colour.

Draw a diagonal line on each 2 ½ inch square.

For each PAIR of rectangles, place a pair of squares at one end, so that the diagonal lines are as shown:



Sew exactly on the diagonal lines.
Fold the square on the sewn line toward the corner.
Trim the middle layer and square up your rectangles to 2 ½ by 4 ½ inches.



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