

## Balkan Puzzle 12 1/2" X 12 1/2"



### Complimentary Colours

These are colours that are directly across from each other on the Colour Wheel. You can choose any color combination. Pick your favorite colour then pick it's opposite. Blue/orange, red-violet/yellow-green, etc. I chose blue-green/red orange. Have fun with this.

The technique you will learn doing this block is sew/flip and nesting.

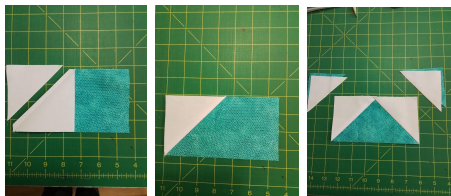
### Cutting:



- 4 - 3 1/2" by 6 1/2" your choice of colour wheel colour
- 4 - 3 1/2" by 6 1/2" your choice of complimentary colour
- 16 - 3 1/2" solid white background fabric.

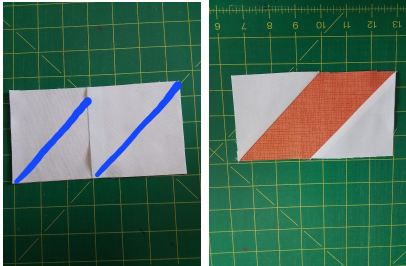
### Assemble:

- 1) Mark a 45 degree line on the wrong side of each white background piece.
- 2) Now decide which colour is in the inside or outside. See next step.
- 3) For **OUTSIDE** coloured rectangles place one 3 1/2" white square on left side of the outside colored rectangle. Sew just a titch off the outside of the line, not on the line. Flip making a corner square triangle matching the colored rectangle as shown below. Press. Cut the bottom 2 layers 1/4" from sewn line leaving top layer to form your corner square. Now repeat the other side. Press to the light side. Repeat 3 more times for a total of 4.



- 4) For **INSIDE** block take the complimentary colour rectangles and place one 3 1/2" white background square and sew as per diagram below. Follow the sew and flip instructions in #3 for the left side only. Now place the second 3 1/2" white square on the right side but instead of the diagonal line the same as the outside block you will make sure the drawn line is going in the same direction as your left one. See diagram.

Repeat 3 more times for a total of 4.



- 5) Now lay out your blocks as shown below and make sure everything is pressed in the correct direction so they will all nest.



- 6) Join in two rows of two blocks each then join the rows. Your block should measure 12 1/2" square.

