

# Autumn Splendor

Top finishes at 101"x 101" before quilting (approximate measurements)

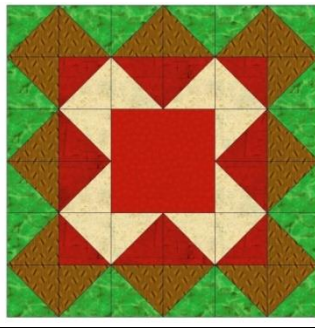
To make the quilt pictured:



## You need:

- 1 1/8 yards of dark red for outer border
- 2 1/8 yards of black for sashing, inner border and cornerstones
- 7-9 yards of various autumn colored scraps for making the HST and side and corner setting triangles
- ½-5/8 yard of fabric for the binding. (I used black 2.5" strips.)

The center of this quilt consists of this one block: (x25!)



## **Cut and make segments:**

**For each HST (half square triangle) block** – you will need: (this quilt uses 25 blocks).

1 – 4 ½” square



12 – matching HST sets of two colors i.e. It is easier for me if half of these are pressed with the seams towards the light and half with the seams towards the dark.



20 - matching HST sets of two other colors Press half of the seams one direction and half the other.

Note: for the HSTs you may make them any way you desire. I used paper – I used this form:

[http://www.quiltingandwhatnot.ca/pdf\\_files/twoinfinhst.pdf](http://www.quiltingandwhatnot.ca/pdf_files/twoinfinhst.pdf)

These are for 2” finished blocks. While this doesn’t make for “quick work” it means you don’t have to go back later and square up each block.

*The bad news for this quilt is that you will use a total of 825 HST for the center blocks in this quilt! However, they should be made in coordinating sets as mentioned above.*

### **Sashings:**

64 - 2”x12½” black sashings

### **Cornerstones:**

40 - 2”x2” black squares

### **Side setting triangles:**

4 – 18½”x18½” square cut in half diagonally two times to make 16 side setting triangles



### **Corner setting triangles:**

2 – 9 ½”x9 ½” cut once across the diagonal to make 4 corners.

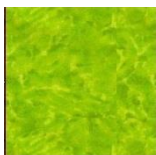


**Borders** will be discussed later. You will need yet more HST, so if you have leftovers from the main blocks, you can use them there.

## **Construct Blocks:**

When I work with a block like this HST unit block, I work from the middle out. If I try to do it any other way, it just doesn’t make sense to me and I make mistakes.

1. Choose the center. 4 ½” square

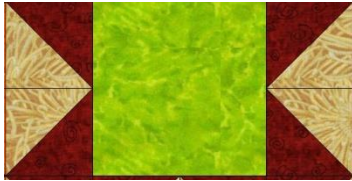




2. From your first set of coordinating HST (you need 12 matching), sew 2 sets like this:



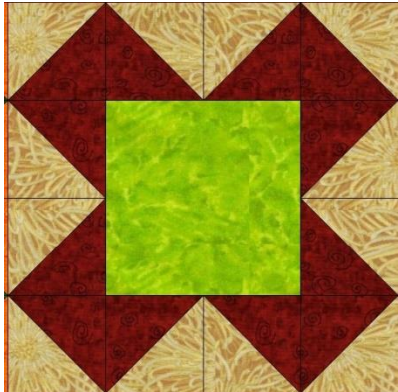
3. Add those two sets to each side:



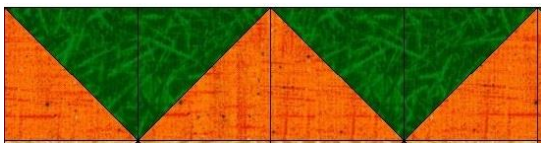
4. Sew 2 strips like this from that same set of HST:



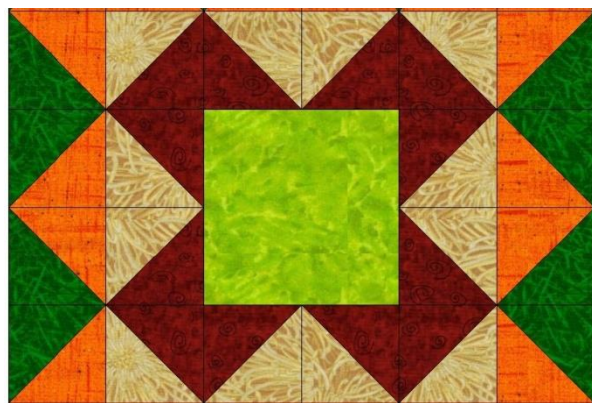
5. Add to top and bottom like this:



6. Choose your next set of HST (you need 20 matching) in colors you like that work well with the rest of the block and sew 2 strips like this:



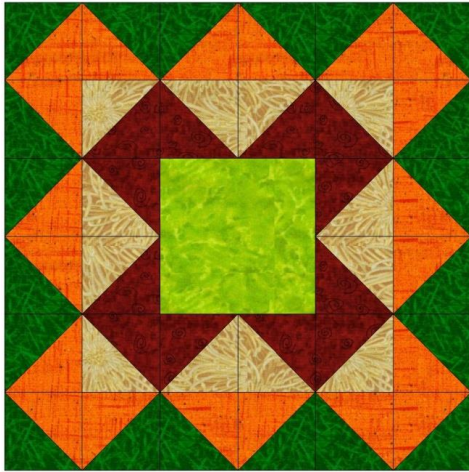
7. Add to sides of your block so far like this:



8. Sew 2 strips like this:



9. Add to top and bottom of your block:



Whew! One done!

Never fear...you get faster the more you do! You need 25 different blocks. Mix and match your colors!

It is best if you print out a block in FULL size so that you can look at it as you work.

At least that is what I did and it really helped me.

### How to make this quilt:

1. **Lay out completed blocks** according to diagram to make the center. Use a variety of side setting triangles for the edges. You should already have cut them as under “cut”.



2. **Sew together in rows, starting in the corner, but I leave the actual corner triangle til very last.** Since this quilt is constructed “on point”, follow the diagram and sew your blocks together, starting with the side setting triangles. When sewing with sashing strips, I sewed the sashing to the blocks on one side before putting together.
3. **Trim** along the edge of the above diagram, going  $\frac{1}{4}$ ” to the outside of the centers of the cornerstones. Now you are ready for borders.

**4. Borders:**

- **First border: black:**

Cut 2 -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ”x  $76\frac{1}{2}$ ”. Attach to sides carefully. Make it fit. You need it to fit in order that the pieced blocks will fit.

Cut 2 -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ”x  $80\frac{1}{2}$ ”. Attach to the bottom and top.

- **Second border: pieced:**

- Middle unit:

Make 32 middle units: Use all your leftover pieces from your scrap bag! Each of these squares are  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ” and the HST units are also  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ” before sewn together into the block. Construct 8 blocks for each side.



Each of these completed middle units will measure  $8\frac{1}{2}$ ”x $8\frac{1}{2}$ ” before being sewn into the top.

- Corner unit: Make 4 corner units



Once your units are made, sew 8 middle units together in a row to make a strip, as in overall diagram. (Make 2 strips.) Attach to the sides. Press.

For the top and bottom: Sew together 8 middle units and a corner unit on each end as in diagram. Make 2 strips. Attach to the top and bottom!

Whew. Breathe deeply! Almost done.



- **Third border:** dark red:  
Cut 2 - 3"x96½" – attach to the sides.  
Cut 2 - 3" x 101½". Attach to the top and bottom.

The entire layout looks like this:



5. **Press well.**
6. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
7. **Quilt** as desired.
8. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish.

Congratulations!

Your quilt is finished!

Enjoy!