

Step 2 - Sashed Squares

A Judy Hopkins Mystery



Make 144.

Make 144 LIGHT/DARK half-square triangle units, following the instructions below:

1. Layer the short ($3\frac{7}{8}$ " x 26") assorted LIGHT and DARK strips, right sides together, to make 12 contrasting strip pairs. Use as many different fabric combinations as possible.

Right sides together, long edges aligned

Don't stitch these strips together! You might want to lightly press the strip pairs to make the fabrics "stick" together before you proceed.

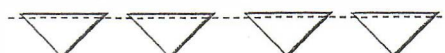


2. Cut 6 squares, $3\frac{7}{8}$ " x $3\frac{7}{8}$ ", from each strip pair, for a total of 72 layered squares.



3. Cut the layered squares once diagonally, from corner to corner.

4. Pick up and chain stitch the resulting triangle pairs along the long edges to make half-square triangle units; the pairs are already matched and ready to sew.



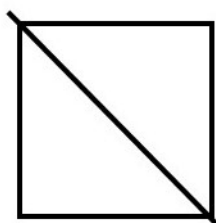
Press the seams toward the DARK triangles.

The units should measure $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " (raw edge to raw edge) when sewn.

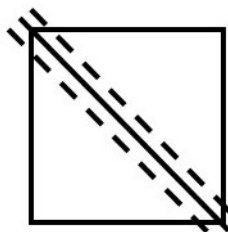
Jeff's Notes for Alternate Cutting

If you cut your LIGHT and DARK strips to 4" in Step 1 follow the instructions below.

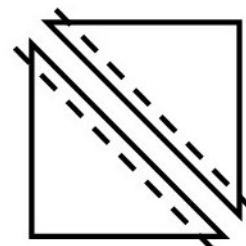
1. Layer your DARK 4" strips with your LIGHT 4" strips, right sides together, to make 12 contrasting strip pairs. Use as many different combinations as possible.
2. Cut 6 squares, 4" x 4", from each strip pair, for a total of 72 layered squares.
3. With chalk or a marking pen, draw a line from corner to corner on the wrong side of one of the paired fabrics
4. Sew a quarter inch seam on BOTH sides of your marked line.
5. Cut your fabric ON the marked line.
6. Press the seams toward the DARK triangles.
7. Trim your units to $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ ", making 144 half-square triangle units.



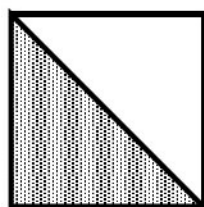
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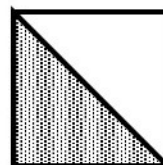
Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams



Cut on marked line



Press toward DARK fabric



Trim to $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ "

Next Step: December 3rd