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Materials

- 10×13" light print
- 8×10" dark print
- 4×8" medium print No. 1
- 4×8" medium print No. 2

Finished block: 9" square

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

Measurements include 1/4" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated

Cut Fabrics

Cut pieces in the following order.

From light print, cut:

- 2-3¹/₂" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an × for 8 A triangles total
- 8—2**¾**" squares
- From dark print, cut:
- 1—5" square
- 2-3¹/₂ squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an × for 8 B triangles total
- From medium print No. 1, cut:
- 2—3½" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an × for 8 C triangles total
- From medium print No. 2, cut:
- 2—3¹/₂" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an × for 8 D triangles total

Assemble Block

- Use a pencil to mark a diagonal line on wrong side of four light print 2¾" squares.
- Align marked light print squares with opposite corners of dark print 5" square (Diagram 1; note direction of marked lines). Sew on drawn lines; trim excess, leaving 1⁄4" seam allowances. Press open attached triangles.

- Align remaining marked light print squares with remaining corners of dark print square (Diagram 2; again note direction of marked lines). Stitch, trim, and press as before to make a Square-in-a-Square unit. The unit should be 5" square including seam allowances.
- 4. Referring to Diagram 3, lay out one each of the following in pairs: light print A triangle, dark print B triangle, medium print No. 1 C triangle, and medium print No. 2 D triangle. Sew together pieces in each pair; press seams in opposite directions. Join pairs to make a Left-Hand Hourglass Unit. Press seam in one direction. The hourglass unit should be 2³/₄" square including seam allowances. Repeat to make a total of four Left-Hand Hourglass Units.
- Referring to Diagram 4 for a different arrangement of the same triangles, repeat Step 4 to make a Right-Hand Hourglass Unit. Repeat to make a total of four Right-Hand Hourglass Units.
- Referring to Diagram 5, join lefthand and right-hand hourglass units to make a star point unit. Press seam in one direction. The unit should be 5×2¾" including seam allowances. Repeat to make four star point units total.
- Referring to Diagram 6, lay out Square-in-a-Square unit, star point units, and remaining light print 2¾" squares in three rows. Sew together pieces in each row. Press seams away from star point units. Join rows to make a block; press seams

away from center row. The block should be 9½" square including seam allowances.

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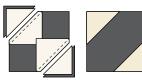


DIAGRAM 1

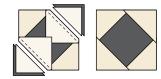


DIAGRAM 2



LEFT-HAND HOURGLASS UNIT DIAGRAM 3



RIGHT-HAND HOURGLASS UNIT DIAGRAM 4



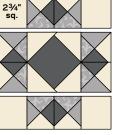


DIAGRAM 6