



Mystery Block A



The cutting below is for both Mystery Block A and Mystery Block B. You will only make 4 of each block.

Cutting:

Please use leftovers from previous blocks, where possible. Follow the cutting instructions very carefully to avoid wastage!!!!!!

From the Vilene, cut eight 12 inch squares.

From the dark fabric, cut:

One strip 4 inches wide and then crosscut into four 4 inch squares.

Six strips $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide and crosscut as follows:

From each of the first four strips cut one 16 inch rectangle and two $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangles.

From each of the remaining two strips cut two 16 inch rectangles.

From the light fabric, cut:

Five strips $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide and crosscut as follows:

From each of the first two strips, cut one $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle and three 9 inch rectangles.

From the next two strips, cut three $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangles.

From the last strip, cut two 9 inch rectangles.

From the background fabric, cut:

One strip $3\frac{3}{8}$ inches wide and crosscut into eight $3\frac{3}{8}$ inch squares. Cut the squares once on the diagonal to form 16 triangles.

Four strips $2\frac{1}{4}$ inches wide and from each crosscut into eight 16 inch rectangles.

You will also need 8 completed 4-patch blocks.





Method for Mystery Block A:

 Take a completed 4-patch block and a background triangle. Find the right angle of the triangle - it will be opposite the longest side of the triangle. Place the triangle next to the 4-patch, making sure that you orientate the 4-patch correctly - the contrast fabric patch should be next to the right angle of the triangle. See picture below.



2. Pin and stitch the triangle to the 4-patch. Press towards the triangle. Note that the right angle of the triangle should line up with the edge of the 4-patch but the skinny angle of the triangle will overlap over the edge.



3. Place another background triangle next to the 4-patch unit. Again the right angle needs to be next to the orange patch. See diagram below. Pin and stitch in place noting that the right angle of the triangle will line up with the 4-patch but the skinny angle will overlap.



4. Take your 12 inch vilene square. With right sides up, line up the edges of the 4-patch unit with the edges of your vilene square as in the picture below. Pin carefully in place.



5. Take a light $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch strip and mark the centre of the long edges. Match the marked centre with the corner of the 4-patch where it intersects with the triangles. Pin and stitch to the triangles. Open your seam and press carefully.





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6. Take a dark 16 inch strip and mark the centre. Match the centre to the centre of the light strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press.



7. Find the centre of the 16 inch background strip. Match to the centre of the 16 inch dark strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press.



8. Find the centre of the dark $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch strip. Match to the centre of the 16 inch background strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press.



9. Find the centre of the light 9 inch strip. Match to the centre of the dark $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press.



10. Find the centre of the long side of the dark triangle. Match to the centre of the light 9 inch strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press.



11. Make another 3 of these blocks. We will trim them down later.



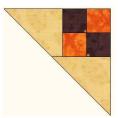


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Method for Mystery Block B:

1. Repeat steps 1 to 4 of Method A. However, orient the 4-patch differently as in the picture below.



2. Do not use the Vilene yet. Find the centre of the light 12 inch strip. Match it to the corner of the 4-patch where the triangles intersect. Pin and stitch to the triangles. Open the seam a press towards the light strip. Set aside until later.



3. Find the centre of the long side of the dark triangle and mark it. Pin the triangle, right side up onto the vilene matching the edges carefully.



4. Find the centre of the 9 inch light strip. Match to the centre of the long side of the dark triangle. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press carefully.





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5. Find the centre of the $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch dark strip. Match to the centre of the 9 inch light strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press the seam carefully.



6. Find the centre of the 16 inch background strip. Match to the centre of the $12\frac{1}{2}$ inch dark strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press carefully.



7. Find the centre of the 16 inch dark strip. Match to the centre of the 16 inch background strip. Pin and stitch in place. Open the seam and press carefully.



8. Pick up the previously stitched 4-patch unit from point 2. Find the centre of the light strip and match to the centre of the 16 inch dark strip. Pin and stitch carefully in place. Open the seam and press carefully.



9. Make another 3 of the Mystery Block B. We will do the trimming down later.