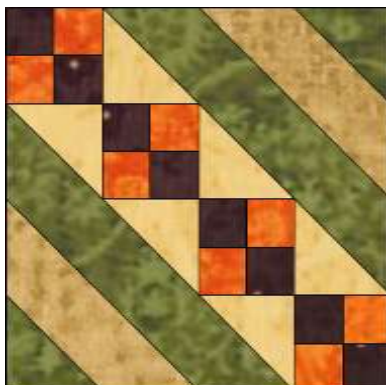


Road to Durban BlocksCutting:

Cutting is for both sets of blocks - so don't double up. Again- use leftovers before cutting new strips.

Cut a strip of background fabric $3\frac{3}{8}$ inches wide and from that strip cut twenty-four $3\frac{3}{8}$ inch squares. Cut each square once on the diagonal from corner to corner to form 2 triangles. You should have 48 triangles.

For each block you will also need:

4 four-patch blocks

1 Small Diagonal Strip Triangle Method A

1 Small Diagonal Strip Triangle Method B

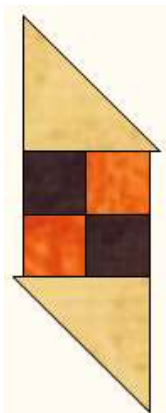
Method:

1. Piece one unit at a time to minimize errors.
2. Pick up a background triangle and a four-patch. Place as in the picture below. Carefully pin and stitch in place. Notice that the right angle of the triangle should line up with dark square of the 4-patch and the acute angle of the triangle should stick out slightly over the edge of the 4-patch. Press towards the triangle. Repeat the process for each of the four 4-patch blocks.

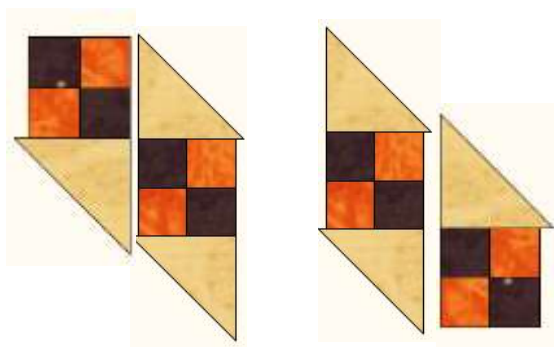




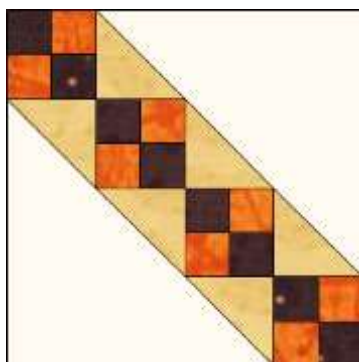
3. Take another triangle and position as in the picture below. Pin and stitch in place. Press towards the triangle. Repeat once more.



4. Place the 4 elements you have just stitched as in the picture below. Pin and stitch, taking special care to butt your seams. Press to one side.

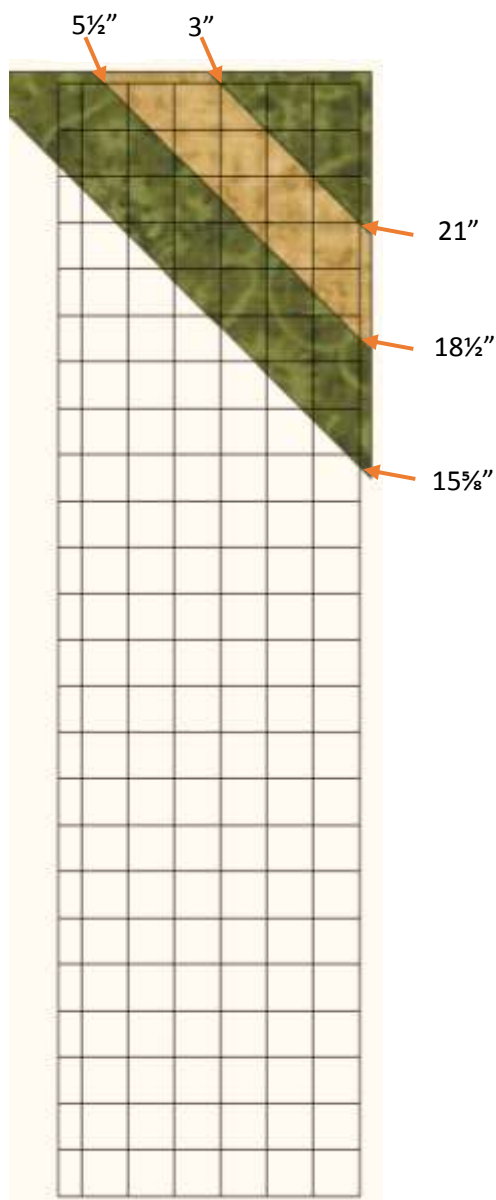


5. Pin and stitch the pairs together as in the picture below. Press to one side. Set aside.

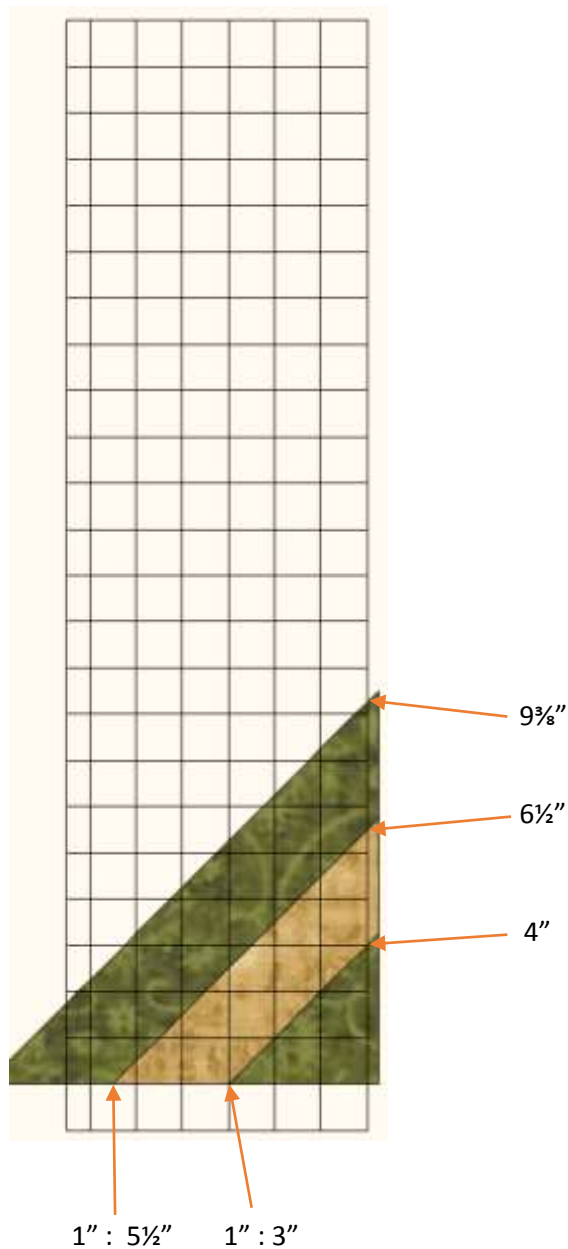


6. To trim down the Small Diagonal Strip Triangle units, follow the steps below.
7. Press the triangle units carefully before you trim them down.

8. Place a Small Diagonal Strip Triangle down on your cutting mat as in the picture below. Place your 24 inch x 6½ inch ruler on top with the measurements given lining up with the intersections on your triangle unit. Trim off everything to the right of the ruler.



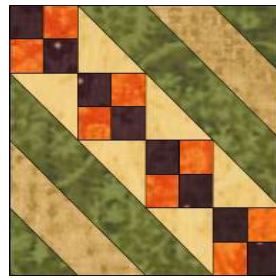
9. Reposition the triangle unit on the cutting mat so that the freshly cut edge is closest to you. Line up the 1 inch line on your ruler with the freshly cut edge of the triangle unit. Ensure that the intersections of the triangle line up with the measurements given below. Trim off everything to the right of the ruler. The triangle unit should now be the right size.



10. Find the centre of the long dark strip of a "Small Diagonal Strip Triangle Method A" and the centre of one side of the pieced 4-patch unit. Lining up these centre points, pin and stitch in place as in the picture below. Press towards the triangle unit.

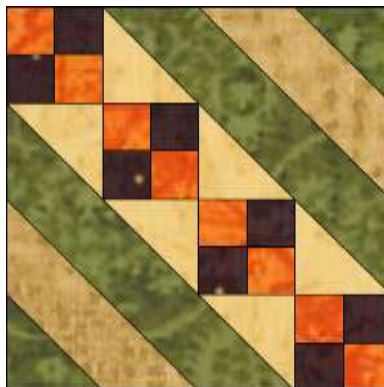


11. Find the centre of the long dark strip of a "Small Diagonal Strip Triangle Method B". Lining up this centre point to the centre point of the other side of the pieced 4-patch unit, pin and stitch in place as in the picture below. Press towards the triangle unit.



12. Measure the final block. It should be a $10\frac{1}{2}$ inch square. If it is the correct size, repeat the process 3 more times.

Road to Maritzburg Blocks



Repeat the whole process in exactly the same way as for the Road to Durban Blocks, the only difference being the orientation of the 4 patch blocks. If you look closely, you will notice that the right angles of the background triangles line up with the contrast squares instead of the dark squares. Make 4 of these blocks.