

BLOCK OF THE MONTH

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“SASHAY SQUARES”

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When finished you will have 2 Blocks that are approximately 11 1/4” squares..

Material Needed: 4 Strips of fabric 2 1/2” wide x 36” long

Colors: 1 strip to be White on White

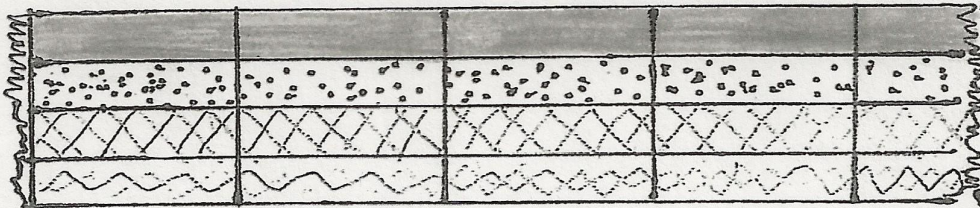
3 strips that have some contrast, patterns or plain

IMPORTANT:

The two dominate colors of your strips should be placed in Row 1 and Row 4.

DO NOT USE THE WHITE STRIP IN ROW 1 OR 4. It can be place in either Row 2 or 3. Sew the strips together using a scant 1/4” seam. Press the seams in either direction. Trim the strip if necessary.

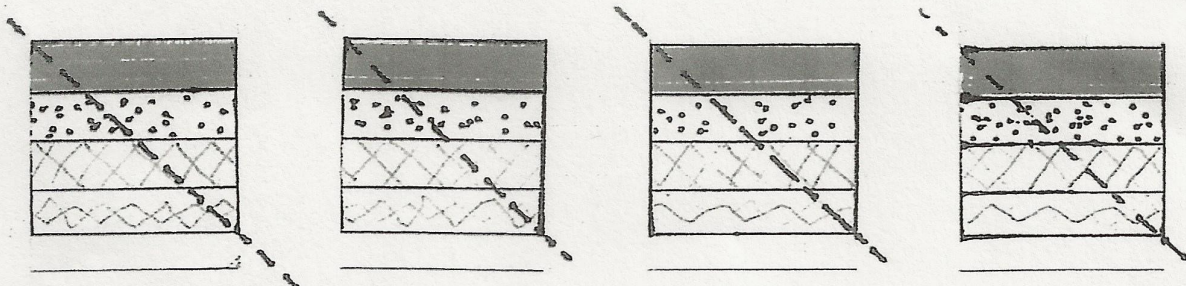
Cut this strip into 4 – 8 1/2” squares. See Diagram 1 below.



THIS NEXT STEP IS CRITICAL in cutting the 4 – 8 1/2 ” squares into triangles.

Make sure all 4 squares are lined up the same from top to bottom. Mark the diagonal from the **same corner on all 4 squares** and cut from corner to corner.

See Diagram 2 below.

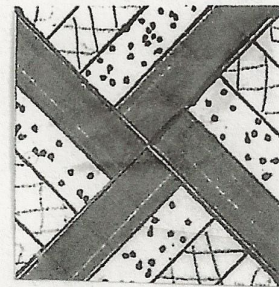
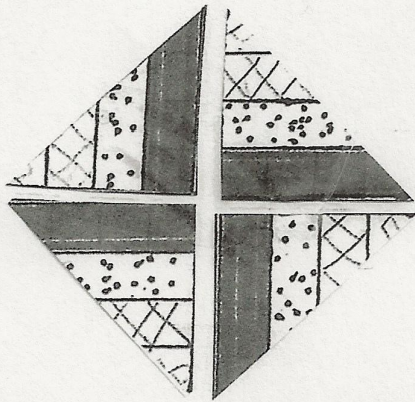


Keeping the blocks/triangles in order take the **TOP RIGHT TRIANGLES** from each square. **Remember the dominate color of this block is on top.** Take all 4 triangles **Turn and Flip Around** so the dominate color is now an X in the center of this block.

****SET THE BOTTOM LEFT TRIANGLES ASIDE.**

Sew the two small triangles together making a larger triangle. Repeat with the remaining two small triangles.

See Diagrams 3 and 4 below.



Press the triangles in opposite directions. Sew the two large triangles pieces together to complete the block. Press seam open.

****Now pickup the remaining 4 triangles that were on the bottom left: Remember the dominate color of this block is on the bottom.** Take all 4 triangles **Turn and Flip Around** so the dominate color is now an X in the center of this block. Repeat the above sewing directions to complete the block. Press seam open.

Square up your blocks to approximately 11 1/4".

Now you have two Sashay Squares. I bet you can't make just one set of these blocks!

