

Project: Coffee Time

Materials

 Light tan print and blue print scraps

Finished block: 6" square

Cut the Fabrics

From light tan print, cut:

- 1—1½×6½" rectangle
- 1-1√2×4√2" rectangle
- 2—1½" squares
- 2-11/4×13/4" rectangles
- 1—1½×1¾" rectangle

From blue print, cut:

- 1-4¼×4½" rectangle
- 1—1½×6½" rectangle
- 3-11/8×13/4" rectangles

Assemble the Block

- 1. With long edges aligned, join the light tan print 11/8×13/4" rectangle and one blue print 11/8×13/4" rectangle to make a rectangle unit (Diagram 1). Press the seam allowance toward the blue rectangle
- 2. Sew a blue print 11/8×13/4" rectangle to the top and bottom edges of the rectangle unit. Press the seam allowances toward the blue rectangles.
- 3. Add a light tan print 11/4×13/4" rectangle to the top and bottom edges of the rectangle unit to make the cup handle unit. Press the seam allowances toward the blue rectangles. The pieced cup handle unit should measure 13/4×41/2", including the seam allowances.
- 4. Add the cup handle unit to one long side of the blue print 41/4×41/2" rectangle (Diagram 2). Press the seam allowance toward the blue rectangle.

- 5. Add a light tan print 11/2×41/2" rectangle to the opposite edge of the blue print rectangle. Press the seam allowance toward the blue rectangle. Then sew the light tan print 11/2×61/2" rectangle to the top edge of the blue print rectangle to make the cup unit. Press the seam allowance toward the light tan rectangle. The pieced cup unit should measure 61/2×51/2". including the seam allowances.
- For accurate sewing lines, use a pencil to mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of each light tan print 11/2" square.
- 7. Align one light tan print square with one end of the blue print 11/2×61/2" rectangle (Diagram 3, Step 1; note the placement of the sewing line). Stitch on the sewing line; trim the seam allowance to 1/4" (Step 2). Press open the attached light tan triangle (Step 3). In the same manner, sew the remaining light tan print square on the opposite end of the blue print rectangle to make the saucer unit. The pieced saucer unit should measure 11/2×61/2", including the seam allowances. Join the saucer unit to the bottom of the cup unit to make a block (Block Assembly Diagram). Press the seam allowance toward the saucer unit.

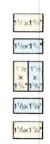
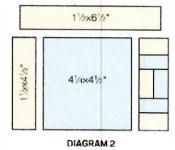
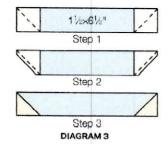
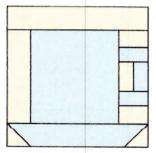


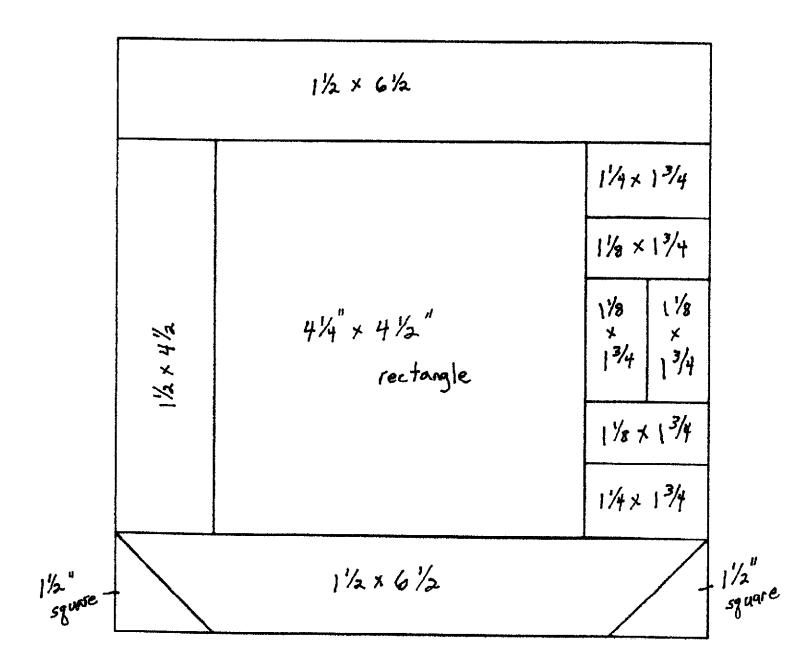
DIAGRAM 1







BLOCK ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM



Tips:

- O You can choose the size you like for your mug rug. To center the mug and allow space next to the handle and below the saucer, I added a ¾" strip to each side and a 1 ½" strip to the bottom, using background fabric. The order you add your strips will determine the length of the strips.
- o Take care to keep your points on the saucer when adding side strips.
- May need to use a scant ¼" seam throughout.
- o May want to press seams open to reduce bulk.
- Add your batting and quilt if desired.
- o Choose your backing and finish as desired.
- You can use patchwork, applique, fussy cut, embroidery, etc. for the mug. Design a more elaborate background for the mug. Or, just keep it simple with interesting fabric. Your choice!