

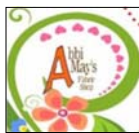


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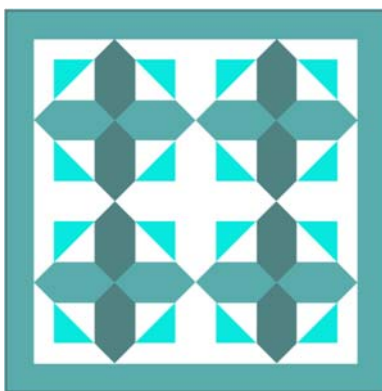
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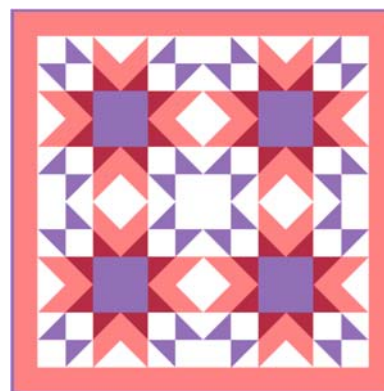
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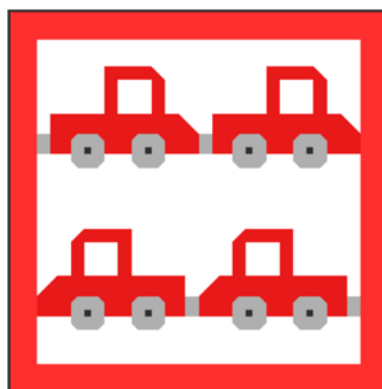
"Empirical Table Topper"



"Glory Star Table Topper"



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The quilt blocks that make up these "Christmas in July 2022" table toppers (and more!) could have any variety of: Snowball Corners, Flying Geese, Half-Square Triangles and/or Quarter-Square Triangles in them. That's why this "Tutorial" pattern was made.

Refer to it when necessary!

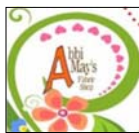


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Flying Geese Tutorial

You'll see on my instructions to either cut some squares one time or two times. Both of them diagonally, corner-to-corner. When piecing a Flying Geese for a quilt block, follow Diagram #1 on the left first (sewing ONE (1), smaller triangle to a larger triangle). Then follow Diagram #2 in the center (sewing the larger second smaller triangle to the newly created smaller triangle + the larger triangle). There's an alternative way to sew Flying Geese together. It's found on the next page..

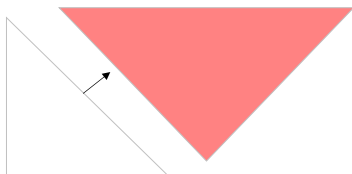


Diagram #1

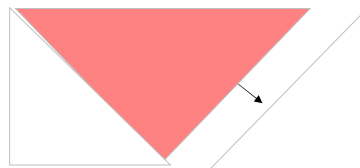



Diagram #2

 **Quilt Note:** If you're making a lot of quilt blocks, that has a lot of Flying Geese in it, sometimes is best if you press all of your Flying Geese seams open. This cuts down on the bulky seams in the center of the Flying Geese!

Half-Square Triangle (HST) Tutorial




HST - Figure #1



HST Figure #2

Place the lighter fabric square on the darker square (right sides together) and sew 1/4" on EACH SIDE of the line you drew (Figure #1). Then cut the Half-Square Triangles (HST's) apart ON the line you drew. You'll end up with TWO (2) Half-Square Triangles (Figure #2). Press toward the dark-fabric. Clip your corners (aka dog ears).

 **Quilt Note:** When making Half Square Triangles, try cutting your squares 1/4" or 1/2" larger than the pattern calls for, then trim them down to the exact size needed for your quilt block.

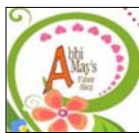


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Square in a Square Tutorial

You'll see in my "Cutting Instructions" to cut some squares ONE (1) time diagonally, corner-to-corner. There will also be a larger square associated with it. When piecing a portion of a quilt block that calls for a Square in a Square follow the diagram on the right (Figure #1) first.

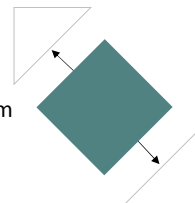


Figure #1

Then follow the next diagram (Figure #2) second.

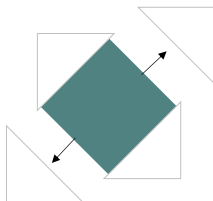


Figure #2

Press in the direction of the arrows.

Snowball Corners Tutorial

You'll see in my instructions, to cut some squares smaller & some larger. The smaller squares will say, "On the back side of the square draw a diagonal line, corner-to-corner, ONE (1) time." When piecing a portion of a quilt block that calls for Snowball Corners, gather up the larger square & the FOUR (4) smaller squares associated with it. With right sides together, line up a smaller square so that it is perfectly even with the corner & sides of the larger square. Then sew ON the drawn line (in the image on the left it's the red solid line).

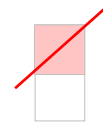


Figure #1

Next cut off the corner of the quilt block 1/4" from the sewn line (the green dashed line in Figure #2).

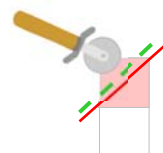


Figure #2

Repeat this same process for all of the quilt blocks that have Snowball Corners in them!

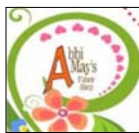


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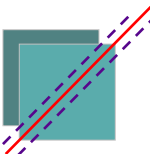
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Quarter-Square Triangle (QST) Tutorial

First make a Half-Square Triangle (HST). Place the lighter square on the darker square (right sides together) & sew 1/4" on EACH SIDE of the line you drew (shown in **Purple** in Figure #1 below). Then cut the Half-Square Triangles apart ON the line you drew (shown in **red** in Figure #1 below). You'll end up with TWO (2) Half-Square Triangles. Press toward the darkest fabric. Clip your corners (aka dog ears).



HST - Figure #1



HST Finished

On the back side of one of the HST's, draw a diagonal line, corner-to-corner ONE (1) time (shown in **red** in Figure #2 below). Nestle the TWO (2) HST squares together (opposite colors nestled against opposite colors) & sew 1/4" on EACH SIDE of the line you drew (shown in **Purple** in Figure #2 below). Cut them apart ON the line that you drew (shown in **red** in Figure #2 below).



QST - Figure #2



QST Finished

Once you've cut them apart, then on the back side, you want to swirl the center seam. You do this by popping open the first couple of stitches. This allows you to open it & get the square to lay very flat (read: the seams will lay down better). Check out this short tutorial to see how to swirl your QST: <https://www.bonjourquilts.com/seamswirl/>. Then trim it down to the exact size that you need for your quilt block.