

Half Square Triangles

Two at a Time

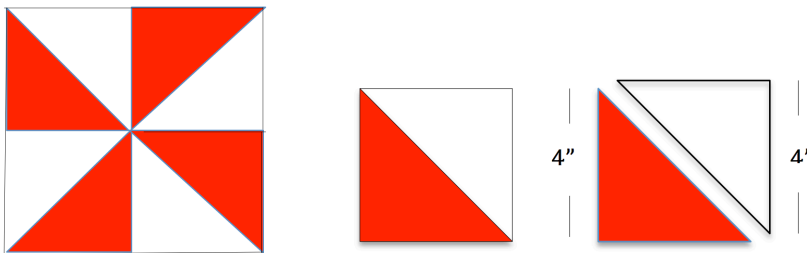


Good to Know

Designing a block is done using finished sizes. This means that the pieces that make up each block are drawn without the seam allowances. The seam allowances are added to each piece *after* the block is designed. QuiltSandwich adds in the piece seam allowance for you so all you need to know is the finished size of the pieces. QuiltSandwich does the math for you! The Two at a Time instructions do not exactly follow the QuiltSandwich Cutting Diagram, however, the number of triangles that are made is still the same

Getting Started

Let's use a Pinwheel block as an example. A Pinwheel block is made of up 4 Half Square Triangle (HST) units. We want our HST to finish 4" high. To make this block we need 4 Red 4" HST and 4 White 4" HST.



Use QuiltSandwich for Cutting Diagrams & Fabric Amount

- ✓ Tap *Yardage Calculator* (*Quick Calc* is great for this method)
- ✓ Tap *Rectangle or Square* to reveal the selection wheel
- ✓ Select *Half Square Triangle* and tap it
- ✓ Select *Fabric Width*
- ✓ Select 4 for the *Finished L*
- ✓ Input 4 for *Number of Pieces* needed
- ✓ Tap on the *Scissors* to look at the *Cutting Diagram*
- ✓ Follow the QuiltSandwich *Cutting Diagram* instructions. Cut strips and squares the size needed.
Do not cut the squares on the diagonal just yet!!

Now, make Half Square Triangles Two at a Time

- ✓ Draw a line on the diagonal from corner to corner on one of the squares. Or use a triangle marking tool to draw the stitching lines.
- ✓ Layer one square of each contrasting fabric, right sides together.
- ✓ Stitch a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " on either side of the line.
- ✓ Cut along the drawn line to create 2 half square triangle units.

Hint: Go straight to the QuiltSandwich *Yardage Calculator* or access the *Yardage Calculator* through *Quilts*. (A piece can only be named when the *Yardage Calculator* is accessed through *Quilts*.)