

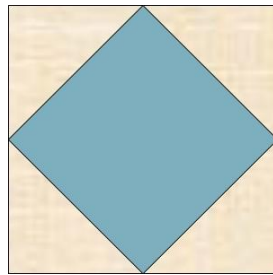


The Spice Route Quilt

Part 5

Diamond-in-a-Square Block

(9) 6½" x 6½"

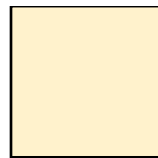


MAKE (9) 6½" x 6½" DIAMOND-IN-A-SQUARE BLOCKS

Fabric requirements and cutting chart:

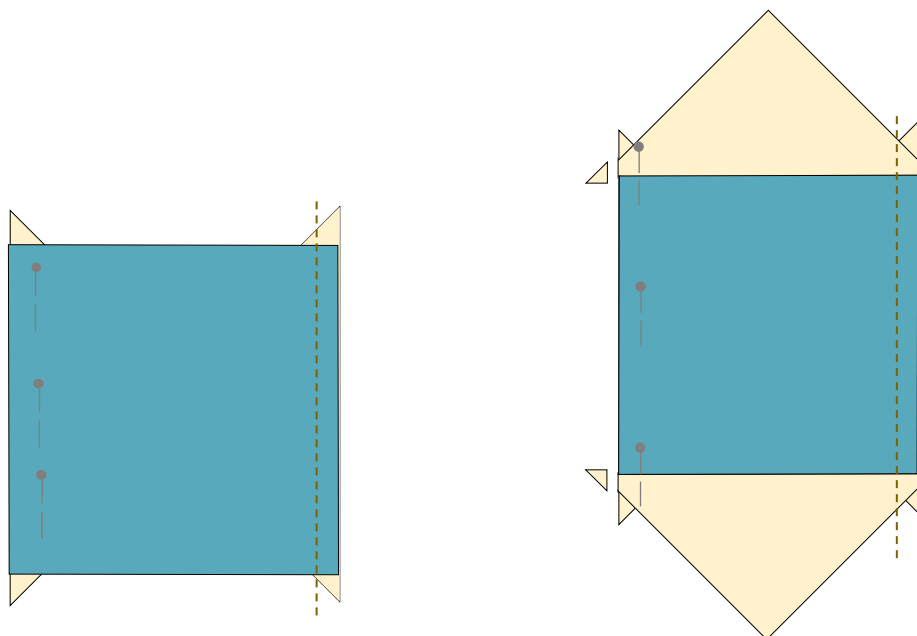


Medium
(9) 4¾" x 4¾"

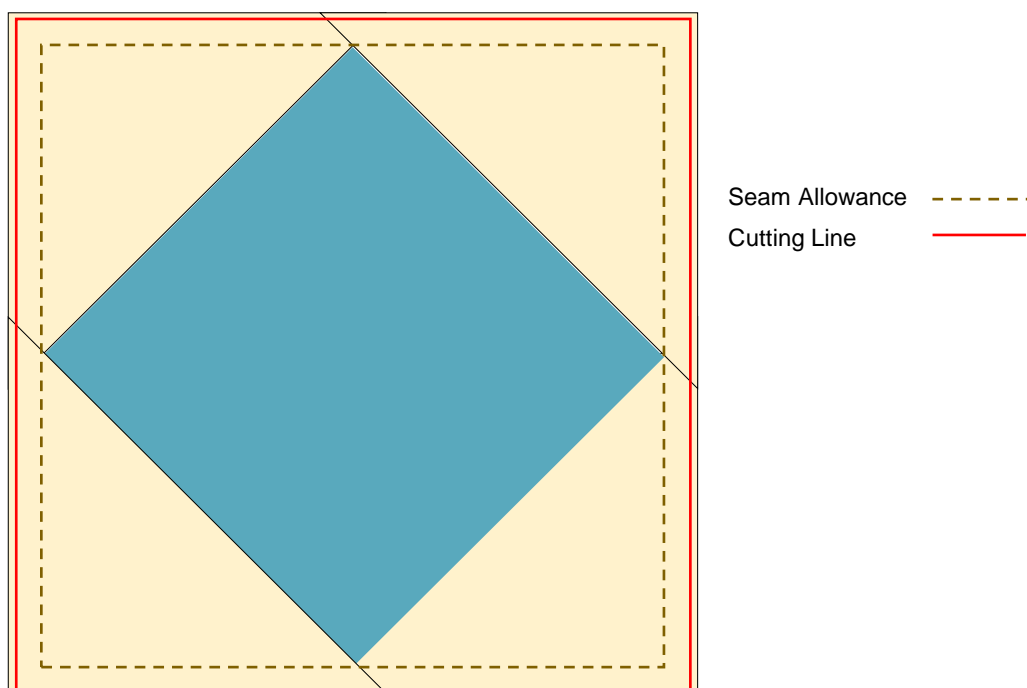


Light
(18) 4⅜" x 4⅜"

1. Sub cut the (18) Light Fabric squares on the diagonal once to make (36) triangles.
2. Finger press triangles in half on the long side and the squares in half on opposite sides to determine the centers of the sides. You can also use a marker and measure the midpoints.
3. Align the edge of the Medium Fabric square with the long edge of the light fabric triangle, matching the center marks, right sides together. Pin to secure. You will notice that the triangles are slightly bigger than the squares. Repeat this step on the opposite side of the square. Prepare all the units in advance for chain piecing.
4. Chain piece the units using ¼" seam allowance, with the square on top. Sewing with the square on top reduces distortion and shifting of the triangle's bias-cut edge, producing a much neater result.
5. Set the stitching (press the sewn line to settle the stitches into the fabric) and press seams to the Medium Fabric (or open).
6. Follow the same steps as above and attached the remaining light triangles on the opposite sides of the Medium Fabric square. Again, you will notice that the triangles are oversized, so the ends will overhang the square.
7. Pin to secure and snip "dog ears" in line with the edge of the square. Repeat with all remaining units.
8. Chain piece with the square on top.
9. Set the stitching and press the seams to the Medium Fabric (or open).



10. Trim your Diamond-in-a-Square blocks to $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ": the cutting line should be $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the "diamond" points.



Happy Stitching!

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