

The Block : “North Wind”

9” finished - 9 1/2” unfinished

The Requirements:

2 colours of fabric - 1 Main colour and 1 Light Background colour.

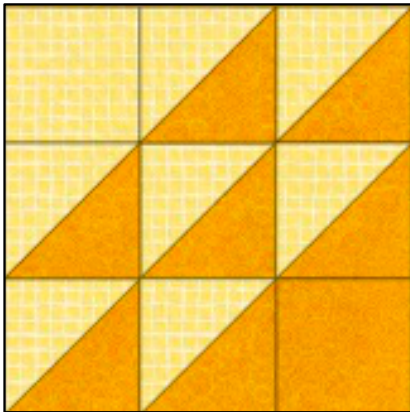
This block is mainly HSTs.

For a 9” block (finished) the HST size is 3” (finished) and 3 1/2” unfinished.

The starting size of the HST square is 8 1/2”

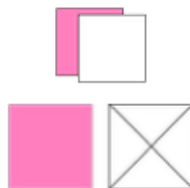
Cut 1 x 8 1/2” x 8 1/2” squares of each of the colours

Cut 1 x 3 1/2” x 3 1/2” square of each of the colours

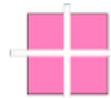
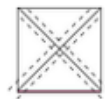


Method:

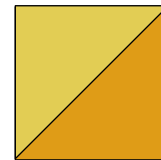
1. Take 2 squares, one of background and one of colour of required starting size.
2. On the wrong side of the background fabric, draw diagonal lines.
3. With the right sides facing, sew a 1/4” seam down each side of the diagonals.
4. Cut through the centre vertically then horizontally.
5. Then cut on the diagonals to make 8 HSTs.
6. Trim to required size using a triangular trimmer.
7. Open seams and press flat.



Make the HST set of 8 using the Easy 8 Method (only 7 needed)

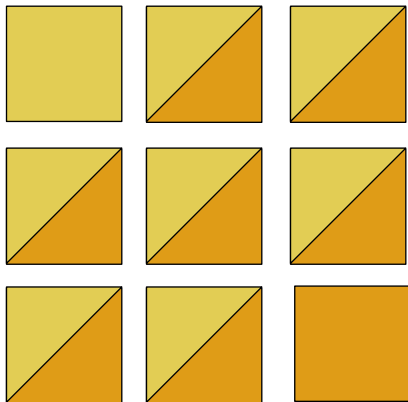


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Do not miss
this step

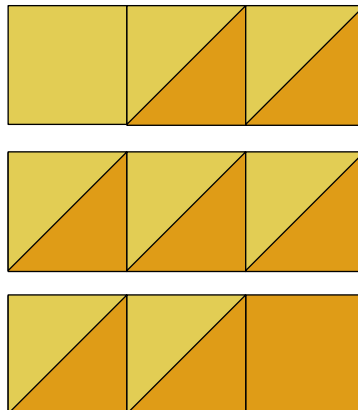


*If you have missed step 6 and have pressed seams open, trim using a block loc or squaring tool of the unfinished size required in the pattern. Bloc Loc squaring tools come in various sizes to match the size of the HST required.

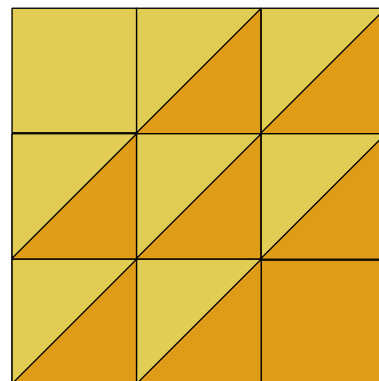
Layout the squares with the HSTs



Sew blocks together by row using 1/4" seam, press seams open

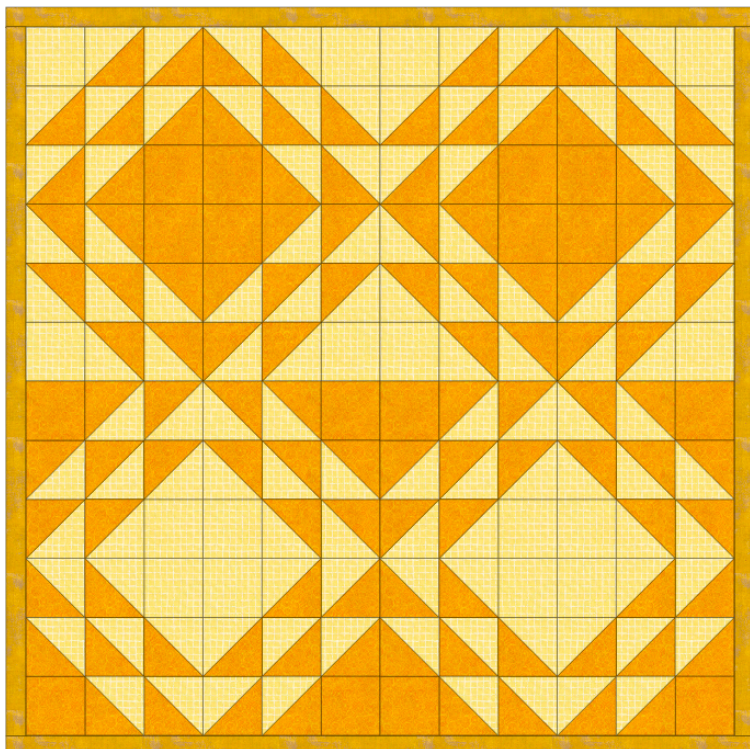


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Possible Quilt Layouts

The "North Wind" block can stand alone, and looks amazing if you rotate the blocks



Plays very well with other blocks like "Shoofly"

