

Cutting from a Fat Quarter

A standard Fat Quarter in quilting measures approximately 18" x 21" to 18" x 22". It is created by cutting a half-yard of fabric (18" x WOF) and then cutting that piece in half along the fold, resulting in a square-ish, versatile piece rather than a long, thin 9" x WOF quarter-yard cut.

In centimetres is approximately 50cm x 55cm. So half a metre of fabric (110-112cm wide) cut in half.

What can you cut from a Fat Quarter?

Squares

Size of Unfinished square	# From a Fat Quarter	Width (across 21")	Length (Down 18")
2 1/2"	56	8	7
3"	42	7	6
3 1/2"	30	6	5
4"	20	5	4
4 1/2"	16	4	4
5"	12	4	3
5 1/2"	9	3	3
6"	9	3	3
6 1/2"	6	3	2

For some of these measurements, the fat quarter must be the right size. Always measure first. If smaller, these numbers will reduce

Strips (Jelly roll ish - from a Fat Quarter)	
1"	18
1 1/2"	12
2"	9
2 1/2"	7
3"	6
3.5"	5

Many mixed sized squares, rectangles and strips can be cut from a Fat Quarter. Use graph paper to experiment before you cut.