



September Block

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1. Gather and cut the following:

Color 1:

- (1) 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " square (for QST)
- (1) 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " square (for HST)
- (1) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square

Color 2:

- (1) 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " square (for QST)
- (1) 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " square (for HST)

Background:

- (2) 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares (for QST)
- (2) 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " squares (for HST)
- (1) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square

This block uses the 3-line HST method. If you use another method, adjust your cutting sizes and instructions accordingly.

2. Sew HSTs:

You will need to make HST in the following combinations:

A. Using the 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " squares

(2) Color 1 / Background HSTs

(1) Color 2 / Background HSTs

B. Using the 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ " squares

(2) Color 1 / Background HSTs

(2) Color 2 / Background HSTs

Note: You will end up making 2 Color 2 / Background HSTs but you will only use one.

DO NOT TRIM after pressing these open.

Trim to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished size.

3. Taking your larger, untrimmed HST from Step 2B, draw 3 lines on the back of one of each color combination perpendicular to the seam (this image depicts 4 because I made a second block at the same time).



4. Using the HSTs you marked in Step 3, take the two matching color combinations and align so the seams nest together. Pin and sew on the two outside lines. Cut apart using the center line as a guide. Press open. Carefully trim to $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square (the point should be centered at the $2\frac{1}{4}$ " marking on your ruler. (this image depicts 8 because I made a second block at the same time – there should only be 2 of each color combination).



5. Arrange your HSTs, QSTs, and squares as shown:



Pin, sew, and press.



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