



This is a simple block with minimal piecing! It sews up super fast. I think I spent more time cutting than sewing.

Cutting Instructions:

4 background squares $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 4 light color squares $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$
 1 background square $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$
 1 light color square $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$
 2 dark color squares $5\frac{1}{2}'' \times 5\frac{1}{2}''$

With right sides together, first match up the $5\frac{1}{2}''$ light print square with a $5\frac{1}{2}''$ dark print square. Also match up a $5\frac{1}{2}''$ dark print square with the $5\frac{1}{2}''$ background white square. Match all outside edges.



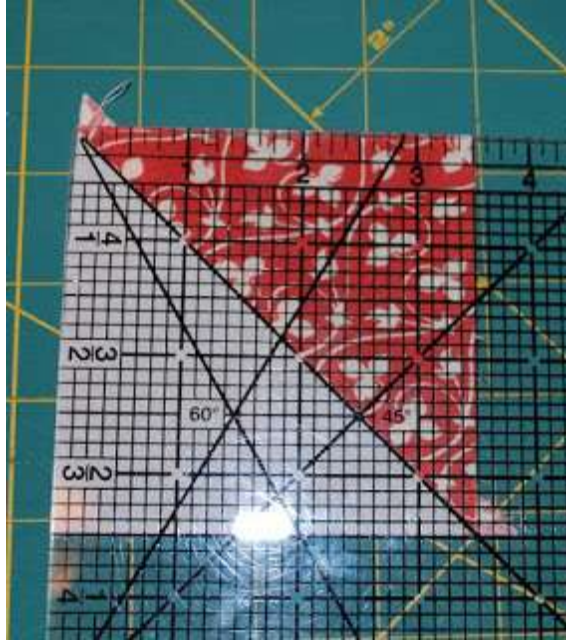
With right sides together, first match up the 5 1/2" light print square with a 5 1/2" dark print square. Also match up a 5 1/2" dark print square with the 5 1/2" background white square. Match all outside edges.



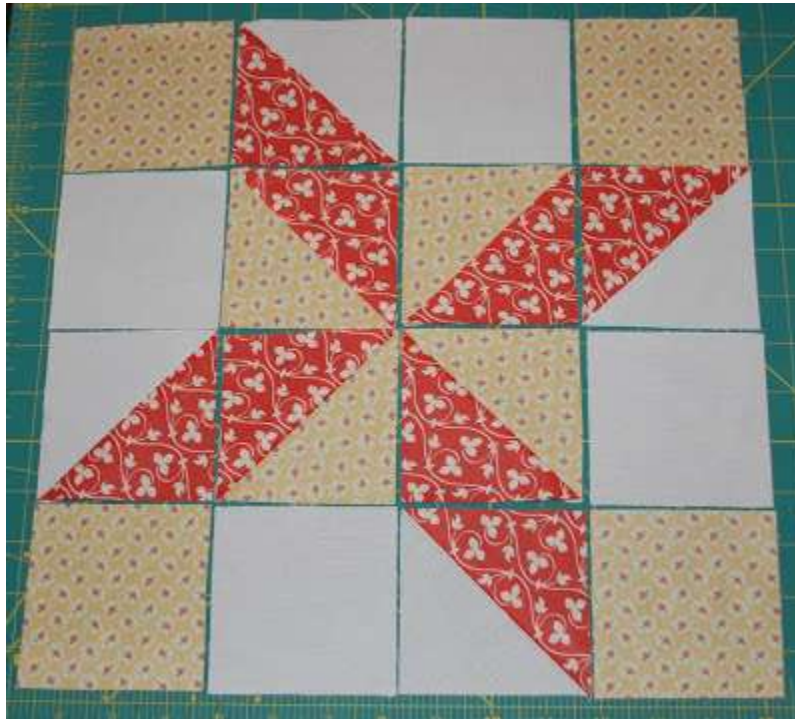
Stitch around the outside edges of the matched squares, allowing a 1/4" seam allowance. Yes, all four sides. This is a great way to make fast pinwheel blocks.



Using your rotary cutter, cut through the squares on the diagonal, from corner to corner. This will create four half-square triangles. Press each of the half-square triangle units open with the seam towards the dark print.



Sorry for that little glare. "True up" or "Square Up" the half-square triangles to $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Line up the diagonal seam with the 45 degree angle marking on the ruler. Find $3\frac{1}{2}$ " measurements on each side and trim. Make sure those angle seams are centered right to the point of each corner. There won't be much to trim off. And trim off those dog ears. How easy was that? This is a great way to make half-square triangles. The only drawback is that your outside edges will be on the bias. Try not to stretch those seams when you sew.



Arrange the blocks into this pattern. Sew rows together first. Press the seams of each row in alternate directions so your seams will nestle when you sew the rows together. Sew the four rows together matching seams. Press the 1st and 3rd seams towards the

outside of the block - there are less seams. You can decide which way to press the center seam.



And there you have your September Block - - It's historical name is "Clay's Choice"