

Slanted Diamonds Block

This makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.



Color 1 – Medium
One – 5" x 10" strip



Color 2 – Light
One – 5" x 15" strip



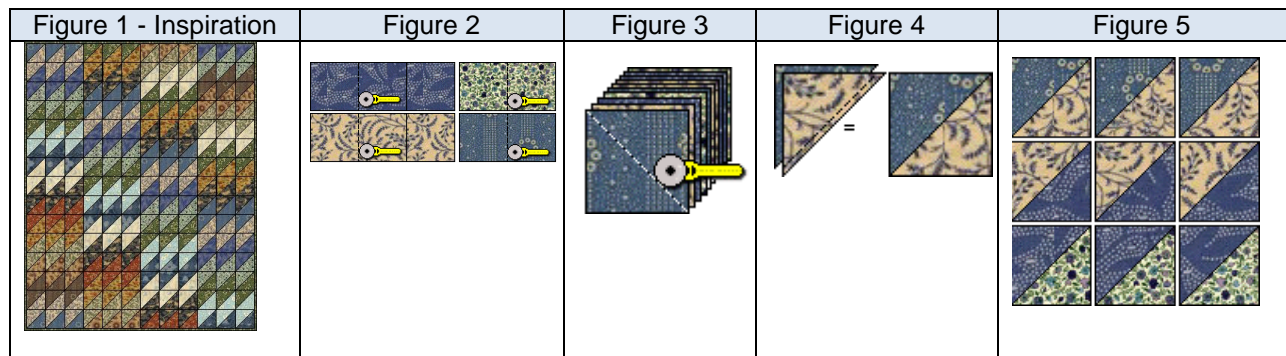
Color 3 – Dark
One – 5" x 15" strip



Color 4 – Medium or Light
One – 5" x 10" strip

I am waiting for the cooler weather – as much as cooler weather happens in MD in the Fall. This block makes me think of Fall and getting ready for joining family during holidays, football games, and having fun! This is a simple block that will look good in many colors and tones for any occasion – even taking a nap stretched out on a sofa or in a chair. I picked the muted colors of Fall; make sure that a light, medium, and dark blend of tones are used to separate the rows.

- 1) Cut pieces carefully to size. Refer to *Figure 2* below.
Cut each of your strips into 5" **squares** - three blocks from Colors 2 & 3, two blocks from Colors 1 & 4)
- 2) Cut each of the squares in half once on the diagonal. Refer to *Figure 3* below. You will have one extra triangle each of Colors 1 & 4. Use this technique to ensure the correct colors are matched in the rows and the slanted diamonds are formed.
- 3) Sew alternate colored triangles right sides together, using a 1/4" seam. Press seam allowances towards the darker side. Refer to *Figure 4* below. Make sure pieces will flow from row to row to make the slanted diamonds (yes, I said this again!). **Trim each block to 4 ½"**.
- 4) Sew together your half squares to make the bloc. Press the seams of rows 1 and 3 towards the center, and the seams of row 2 towards the outside, to keep the blocks nice and flat. Refer to *Figure 5* for final placement. Trim to 12 ½". Have fun making this block!!!!



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Muted hues – blues, greens, tans, browns, reds, greys, etc. in Light, Medium, and Dark tones. Can be scrappy.

Block seams are ¼".
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