




Blocks & Pinwheels Block

This makes an 12 ½" unfinished block.

	Color 1 (Focus) – solid or print Cut one (1) – 8" square
	Color 2 (Background) – Light – solid or light Cut one (1) – 8" square Cut one (1) – 7" square
	Color 3 (Dark Contrast) –solid or light print Cut one (1) – 7" square

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Block of the Month
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Focus – color that 'pops'.
Background – light
Contrast - complimentary

Block seams are accurate ¼".

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Reference – www.generations.com

Reference on HST:

Craftsy.com - [How to Make Half Square Triangles](#)

I will not be attending the July Guild meeting, so everyone making this block will have until AUGUST to complete it and bring it in. Summer is the time for celebration; gatherings, family, and of course trying to get a minute to either relax or vacation. Though the colors in this block are red, white, and blue, they can be any combination of colors to reflex your personal style – your style, your family, your gathering.

This block is a series of half square triangles and solid blocks. The instructions are for making this block using speed cutting and piecing.

- 1) From **color 2 and color 3**, cut the 7" square both horizontally and vertically down the center to create four (4) 3 ½" squares from each piece. Cut at 3 ½" on both sides.
- 2) Using the 8" squares from **color 1 and color 2**, mark a line on color 2 square on both diagonals of the piece (see step 2). This line will be used as a cutting line after sewing (step 5). Refer the www.Craftsy.com reference on how to make half square triangles, if needed.
- 3) With right sides together of **color 1 and color 2**, sew ¼" on either side of the diagonal line (see step 3).
- 4) Centering your ruler, cut vertically, aligning where the drawn lines interact at the center (see step 4a). Next, make the same cut horizontally, again aligning with the drawn lines at the center (see step 4b). Cut at 4" on both sides.
- 5) Next, make two diagonal cuts (on the marked lines made in step 2) (see step 5). Separate and open the pieces. Press to the dark side. **Trim to 3 ½"**.
- 6) Piece final block according to layout. Trim block to finish at 12 ½".

