

“Swirlygig” Mystery Quilt

Finished size of quilt will be 64” x 84”.

This is an easy quilt made from two blocks that together create an unexpected design.* It is composed entirely from half square triangles and squares. Once you finish making all the half square triangles, it’s pure fun putting everything together. Select fabrics that have good contrast with each other. Solid-looking fabrics or ones with small prints are ideal.

Fabric Requirements:

Dark fabric	4 yards
Medium fabric	1½ yards
Light background fabric	2 yards
Binding fabric	
Backing fabric	

Wash and iron all fabric prior to cutting.

* Pattern is from CuteQuiltPatterns.com . Don’t cheat by going there!

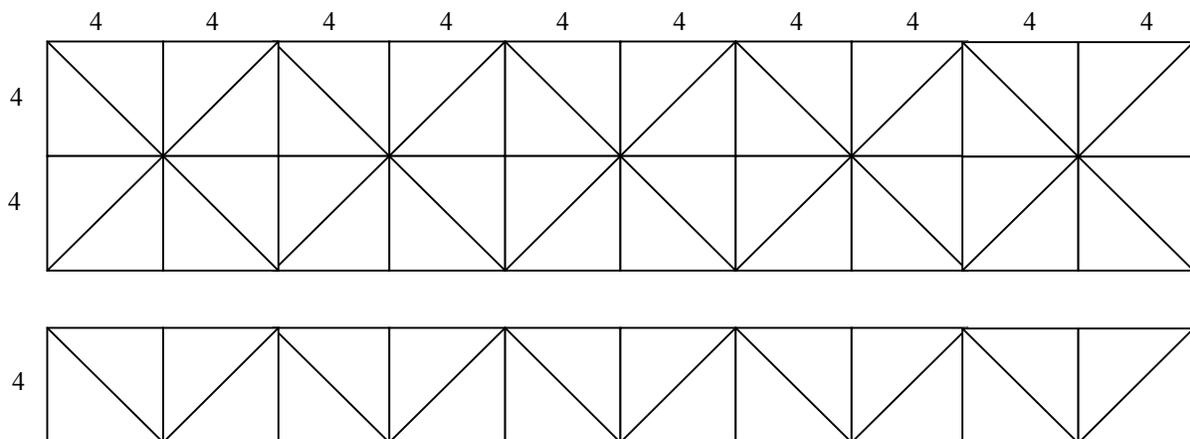
Unit 1 – Half Square Triangles

This is a tedious step, but once you finish these half square triangles, the rest is fun. Think of it as prep work!! Directions for one way of making half square triangles are given below. If you have your own method or prefer to use Thangles, be my guest! The size of your blocks should be 3" x 3" (finished 2½" x 2½").

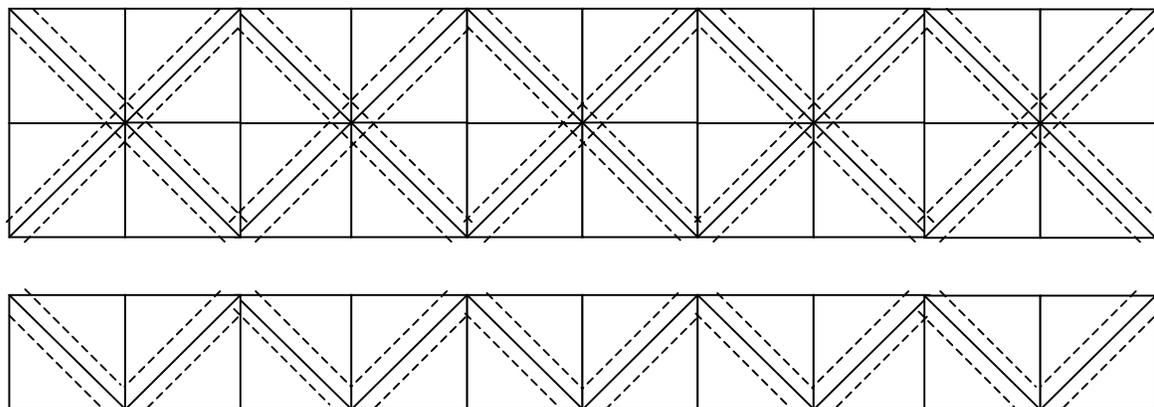
Unit 1A - Dark/Light Half Square Triangles (140)



1. Cut (3) 8" strips and (1) 4" strip from both the **dark** and **light** fabrics.
2. On the wrong side of the light fabric, mark lines every 4", then draw diagonal lines like the drawing below. (Note. This is slightly larger than necessary to provide a little "wobble room". We'll trim them to their proper size at the end.)



3. Place right sides together. Sew ¼" on both sides of the *diagonal* lines.



4. Cut on *all* the solid lines. Press toward the **dark** fabric. Square up to 3" x 3".

Unit 1B - Medium/Light Half Square Triangles (72)

1. Cut (2) 8” strips from both the **medium** and **light** fabrics.
2. Draw your lines, sew on the diagonals, cut, press, and square up as you did for Unit 1A.

Unit 1C – Dark/Medium Half Square Triangles (72)

3. Cut (2) 8” strips from both the **dark** and **medium** fabrics.
4. Draw your lines, sew on the diagonals, cut, press, and square up as you did for Unit 1A.