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CLAYTON'S DIAMONDS and 9-PATCH QUILT.

Here is another Clayton's quilt to use up some of those scraps. There is only one block for the centre and the border is easily constructed by joining nine patches.

This kit contains

Background (Could be light or dark fabric)

32 x 4½" squares 24 x 2½" x 6½" – trams 108 x 2½" squares – borders

Contrast

16 x 4¾"
9 x 2½" squares – corner stones
108 x 2½" squares – borders

Final border

5 x 3" x wof

CONSTRUCTION

Cut the 4½" background squares in half on the diagonal - see diagram.



Sew the long side of a background triangle to one side of a $4\frac{3}{4}$ " contrast square, aligning the centres of each piece. Repeat for the opposite side of the square. Press the triangles out.

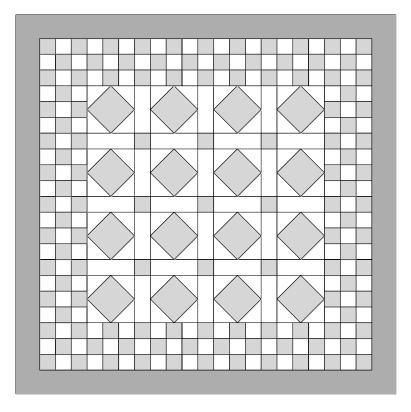


Repeat the process for the other two sides of the square to complete the square-in-a-square block. Press.

Trim the block to a 6½" square, checking that the seam allowance is the same at each corner of the centre square. **Ask for help here if you need it.**

Make 16.

Following the diagram make 4 rows of square-in-a-square blocks with the 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" tramming pieces.



Make 3 strips of tramming and cornerstones as in the diagram. Use these strips to join the rows together.

The Borders

Using the 2½" squares, make 12 nine-patches with a <u>background</u> square in the centre. Press to the dark.

Make 12 nine-patches with a contrast square in the centre. Press to the dark.

Join 5 nine-patches, beginning and ending with a background centre. Repeat

Sew these to opposite sides of your quilt. See diagram above.

Join 7 nine-patches, beginning and ending with a <u>contrast</u> centre. Repeat. Sew these to the top and bottom of your quilt.

Measuring through the centre of your quilt cut two outer border strips to fit.

Sew these to the sides. Press out.

Measuring through the centre cut two more border strips to fit. You may need to piece the strips first. Sew to the top and bottom and press out.

And you are done! Sandwich, pin and quilt.

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