

August 2022 - Shoofly 9-Patch



Cutting sizes given are a little oversized. This allows you to trim / square up block at the end. Also, you are free to decide how many colors to use. For this block, I used a white background, a solid purple accent and a purple print for the triangles.

To make the starting 9-patch block, you will need:

- 4 white 5" squares
- 1 purple solid 5" square
- 4 print/white 5" Half Square Triangles (HST)

There are numerous ways to make Half Square Triangles. Pick your favorite method and trim them to 5". Not sure how to make them? I've included some easy how-to directions :) Use what works best for you !

There are also many video tutorials on-line.

2-at-a-time - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WxOXf_RrVxl

4-at-a-time - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GQWb9bk6moM&t=85s>

How to trim - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDeMNjL42dl>

Two-At-A-Time 5 inch HST

Cut out one 6" white and one 6" print square. Place right sides together. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the white square (fig. 1).

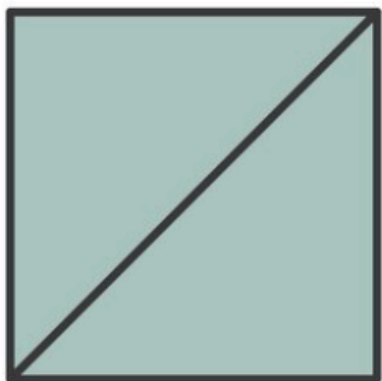
Sew a 1/4 inch seam on either side of the line.

Cut on the drawn line. (Fig.2)

Open and press to the dark side. Trim to 5 inch square.

This will give you 2 HST. Repeat to make 4 HST needed for this project.

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Four-At-A-Time 5 inch HST

Cut out one 8 inch white square and one 8 inch print square. Place right sides together and sew a 1/4 inch seam all the way around the edge (fig. 1).

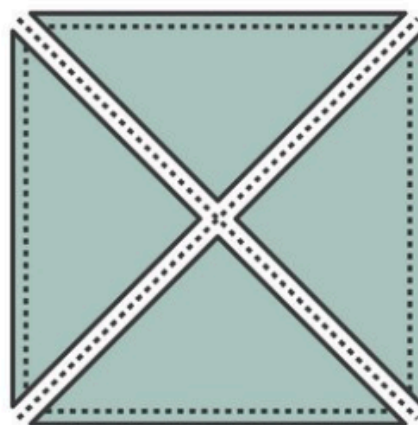
Cut on both diagonals (fig. 2). Open and press to dark side.

Trim to 5 inches. You now have 4 HST !

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STEP 1

Arrange nine 5 inch squares as shown.
Sew each row together.

Press top and bottom row seams
toward the HST.

Press center row seam
towards the purple square.

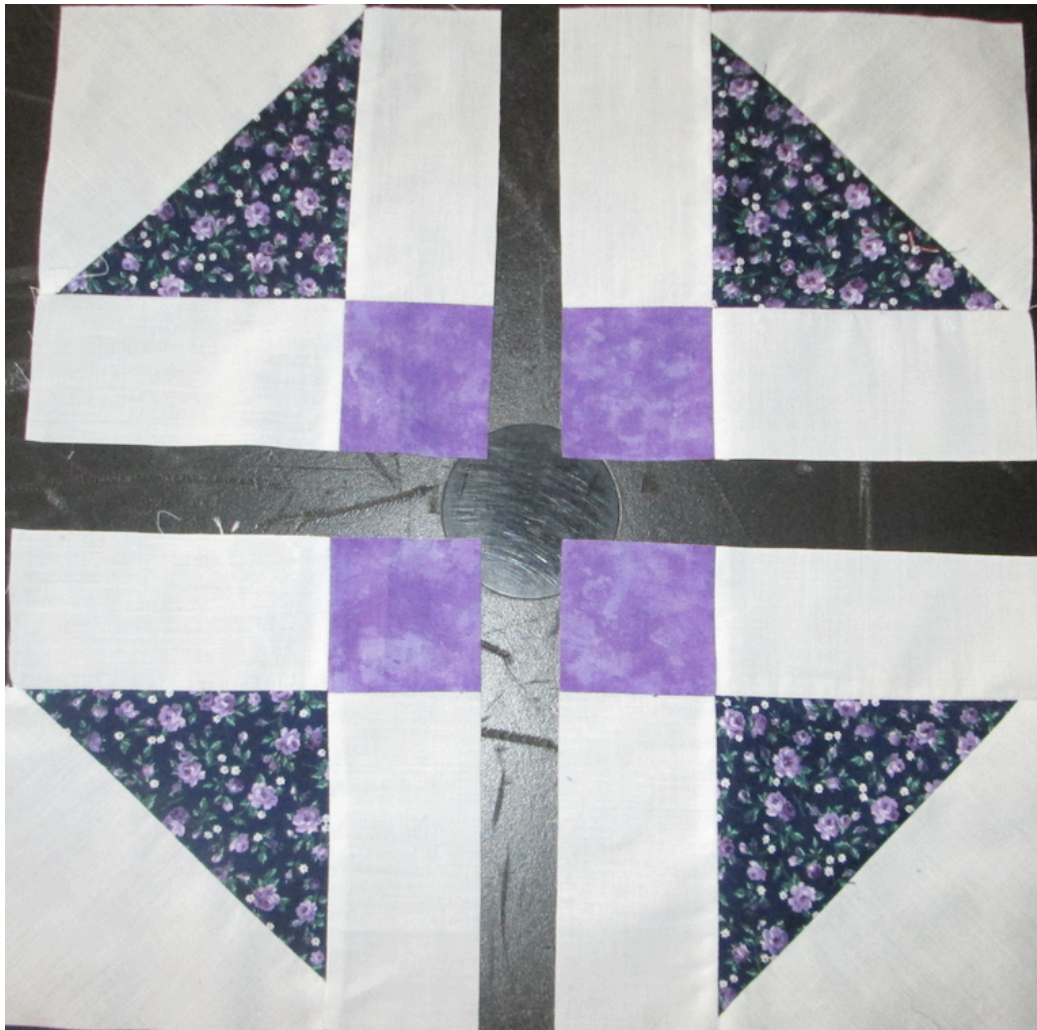
Sew 3 rows together, nesting seams.

Press flat.



STEP 2

Cut block in half with one horizontal cut. Then cut in half again vertically.



STEP 3

Turn upper left section and lower right section. 2 of the purple squares are now in the corners.

Sew 4 pieces together.

Press flat.

STEP 4

Trim finished block to 12.5 inches



And that's it ! To enter the May 2023 prize drawing, E-mail a picture to me or bring your block to a meeting. Questions? Call or e-mail me. Lisa Gorski

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