

TWIST AND TURN BLOCKS

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Read through all directions, please. This is an innovative way to set blocks. Consider making a couple of practice blocks so you don't ruin your Christmas fabric!

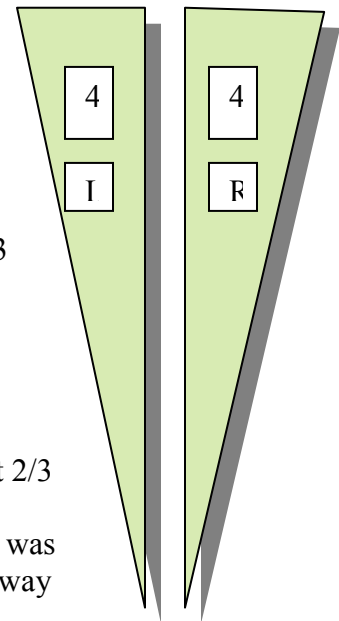
Fabric: 4 - 5" x 5" squares of Christmas print **OR** 1 9" x 9 "square
4 - 14 1/2" x 3" rectangles in **green or red background**

Directions: Assemble the 4 patch block; trim to 9" square
Stack 2 rectangles wrong sides together; then 2 more on top with wrong sides together
Cut on the diagonal, either way.

You should have 8 pieces: 2 stacks of 4 with a straight edge facing inward. (A)

READ; BE ALERT; BE CAREFUL; STACK AS SHOWN:

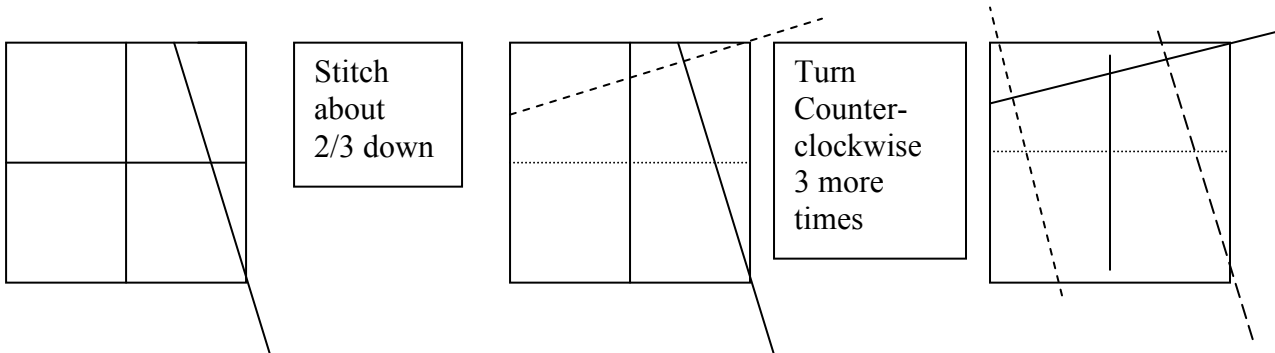
Right angles (A); right sides up



Assembly:

WORK WITH DIAGONALS ON THE RIGHT SIDE:

- 1) Take 9" block and 1 diagonal and lay the right angle RST onto the top right corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down the block and stop. (B)
- 2) Turn the block counterclockwise and place the right angle of the diagonal RST in the top right corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down the block and stop. (C)
- 3) Turn the block counterclockwise again and place the right angle of the diagonal RST in the top right corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down the block and stop.
- 4) Turn the block counterclockwise for the last time. Place the right angle of the diagonal in the top right corner of the block Sew about 2/3 of the way down.
- 5) Finger press or press open the seam where each tail of the diagonal was left open all the way around the block. Complete the seams all the way around the block sewing each tail down.
- 6) Press block and trim edges and TAILS only. These blocks have a tendency to vary in size so the winners can trim to the block size that works for them.



Assembly:

NOW WORK WITH DIAGONALS ON THE LEFT SIDE:

- 1) Take 9" block and 1 diagonal and lay the LEFT RIGHT angle RST onto the top LEFT corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down the block and stop. (B)
- 2) Turn the block counterclockwise and place the right angle of the diagonal RST in the top LEFT corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down the block and stop. (C)
- 3) Turn the block counterclockwise again and place the right angle of the diagonal RST in the top LEFT corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down the block and stop.
- 4) Turn the block counterclockwise for the last time. Place the right angle of the diagonal in the top LEFT corner of the block. Sew about 2/3 of the way down.
- 5) Finger press or press open the seam where each tail of the diagonal was left open all the way around the block. Complete the seams all the way around the block sewing each tail down.
- 6) Press block and trim edges and TAILS only. These blocks have a tendency to vary in size so the winners can trim to the block size that works for them.

You should have 1 block that tips to the right and 1 block that tips to the left.

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