

HAPPY HOLIDAYS—9" FINISHED

For this block four coordinated colors and prints and a background fabric are needed.

Fabric 1 (provided)—Center: cut one 3 1/2" square (A)

Fabrics 2 and 3—cut one strip 1 1/2" x 16" of each. (B)

Fabric 4—Background: cut one 1 1/2" x 16" strip and two 3 7/8" squares* (B)

Fabric 5—Half-square triangles: cut two 3 7/8" squares* (C)

*TIP For accurate half-square triangles and to avoid the dreaded 7/8-inch, cut fabrics 4 and 5 four inches instead of 3 7/8". After sewing, trim each finished triangle to 3 1/2" with the diagonal seam in the center.

Mark a background fabric square diagonally in half. Place this square and a fabric 5 right sides together and sew 1/4" from the diagonal line on both sides of the line. Cut along the diagonal line and press seam to the fabric 5 side. Repeat. You will have four half-square triangles. Fig. 1

Sew the three 1 1/2" x 16" strips (fabrics 2, 3, and background fabric 4) together as shown. Press well. Cut into four 3 1/2" bar units. Fig. 2

Sew two of the half-square triangle units to a bar unit. Press in the direction of the arrows. Repeat. Fig. 3

Sew two bar units to the center square as shown. Press in the direction of the arrows. Fig. 4

Sew these three pieces together into a block as shown. Press in the direction of the arrows, and a beautiful block is complete! Fig. 5

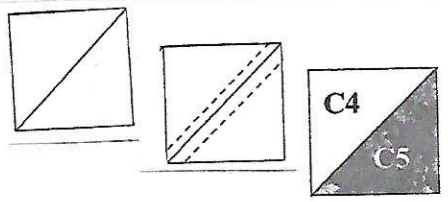


FIG. 1

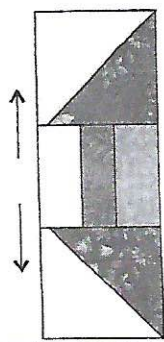


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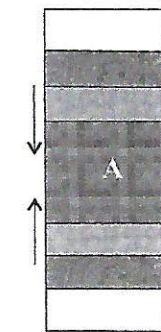


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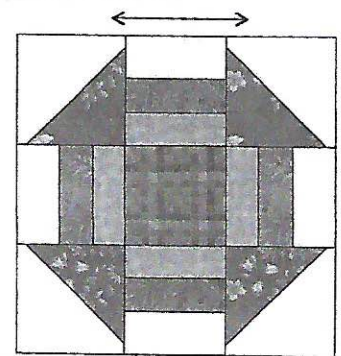


FIG. 5

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B3			
B2			

FIG. 2