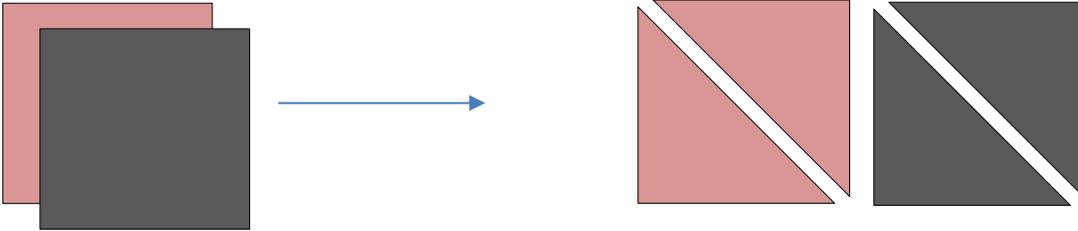


Hunter's Star QUICK PIECING METHOD

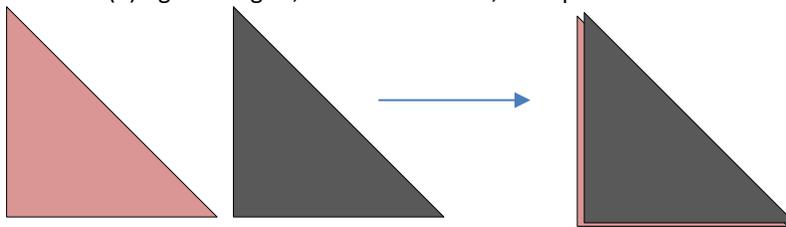
For each block, this method uses four (4) 10" squares; two (2) squares of a background fabric squares and two (2) squares of a contrasting fabric. Your completed Hunter's Star Block will be 16 1/2" unfinished.

To make four (4) Section A and four (4) Section B:

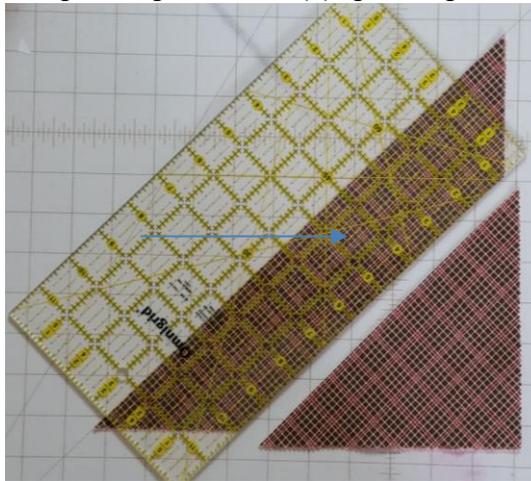
1. Begin with two (2) 10" squares, one background square and one contrasting fabric square. Cut on diagonal.



2. Place two (2) right triangles, one of each color, on top of each other. Set remaining two triangles aside.

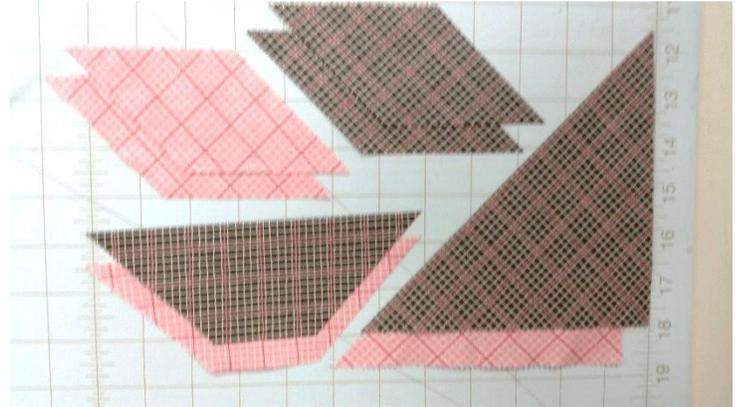
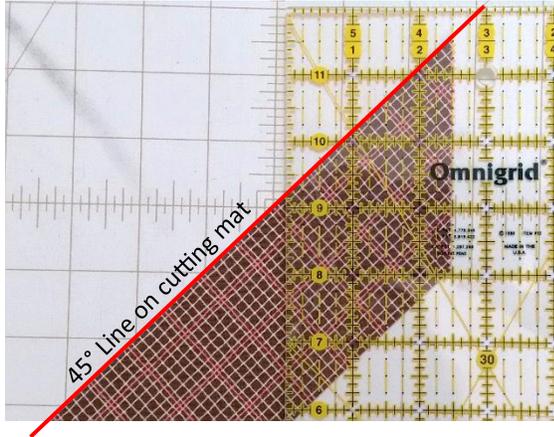


3. Place the 2 1/2" line of your ruler on the diagonal edge of the two (2) right triangles. Cut off a 2 1/2" strip.

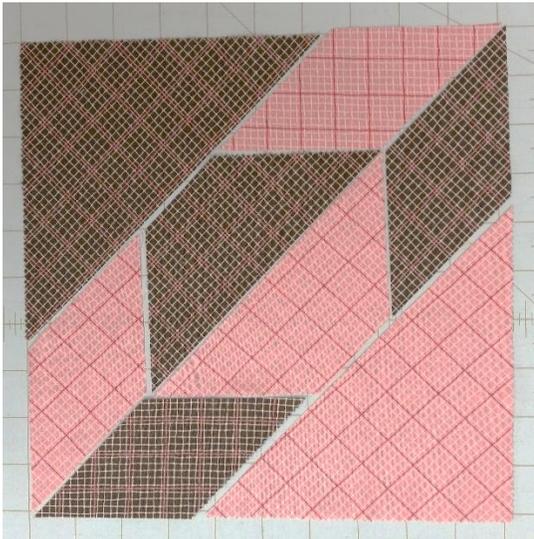


4. Since you have stacked your triangles, you will now have two (2) 2 1/2" trapezoid strips and two (2) right triangles. Set aside the right triangles for now.

5. Make sure your trapezoid strips are perfectly aligned on top of each other. Place the diagonal line of your right triangle on the 45° line on your cutting mat and the vertical edge of your triangle on an “inch line”. From the vertical (right) side, measure in 2.5 inches and cut. Since your strips are layered, you will create two (2) diamonds. Reposition ruler and repeat process creating two (2) more diamonds or four (4) total.



6. When you have finished cutting the four (4) diamonds, you will have two (2) trapezoid pieces remaining.
7. Repeat the cutting process with the remaining two (2) right triangle
8. Lay out your block sections as pictured making sure:
 - a. **Section A:** the trapezoid and right triangle are background fabric and the diamonds are a contrasting fabric
 - b. **Section B:** the trapezoid and right triangle are your contrasting fabric(s) and the diamonds are background fabric.



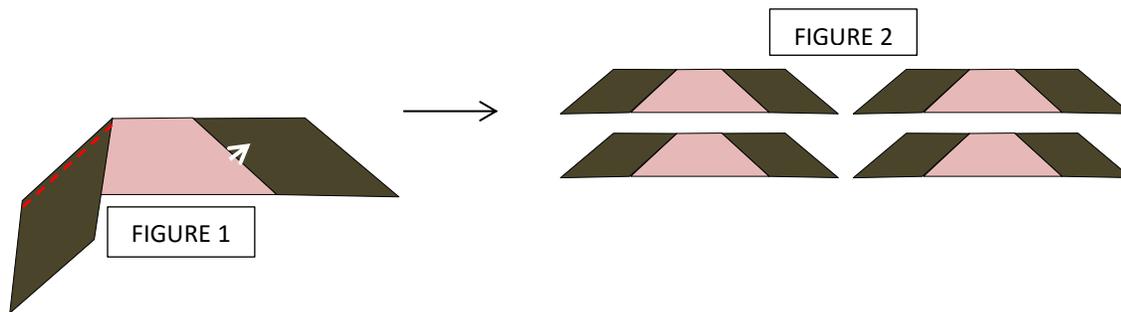
ASSEMBLING THE BLOCK

DIRECTIONS

Once you have cut your block pieces from your fabrics it's time to sew them together. A $\frac{1}{4}$ " scant seam is used when piecing the blocks together. This means your seam allowance is just a thread's width smaller than $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Why? Because pressing the seams in one direction (usually toward the darker fabric) tends to shrink your block a bit. A "scant" seam keeps the finished size of your block a bit more accurate.

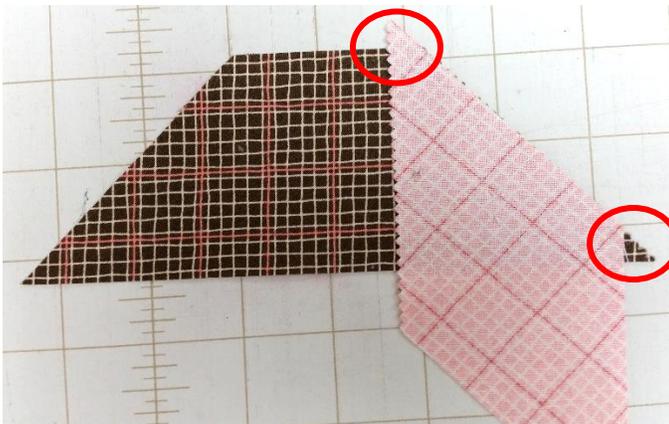
SECTION A:

1. Right sides together and using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, piece four (4) Sections A's as pictured. Press toward darker fabric (white arrow). (Fig. 1)
2. Make four (4). (Fig 2)

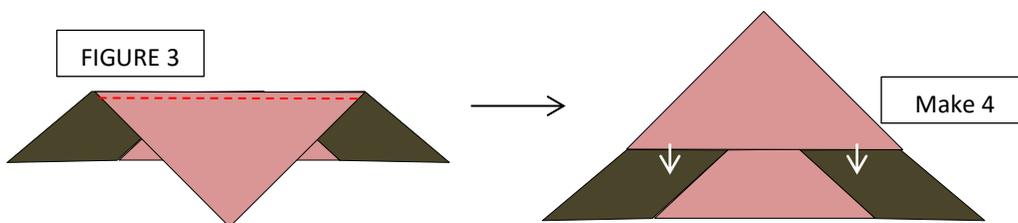


A. When piecing this section, note the following:

When sewing the diamonds to the trapezoid, right sides together, carefully place a diamond piece lined it up with the right side of a short end of the trapezoid. Because we are sewing angles, **do not** line the pieces up from corner to corner. Instead you will need to have a tiny ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch) triangle sticking out on each end (red circles). This will allow your fabrics to line up straight after you sew them together.



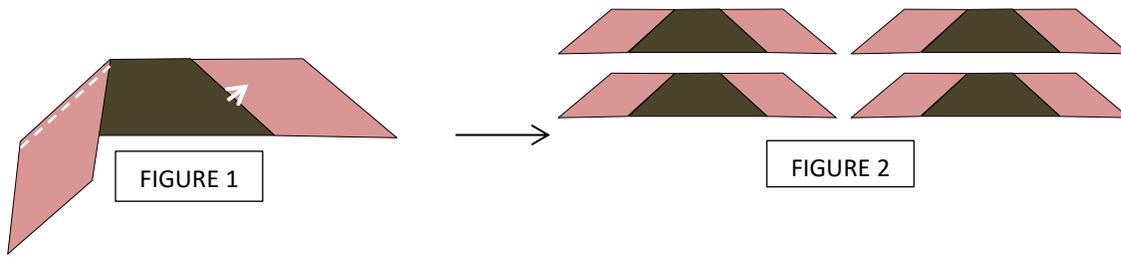
3. Sew a light (off white) right triangle to the side of each of the four (4) strips created in Steps 1 & 2 where the trapezoid has the shortest side. Press toward diamond/trapezoid strip (white arrows). (Fig 3)



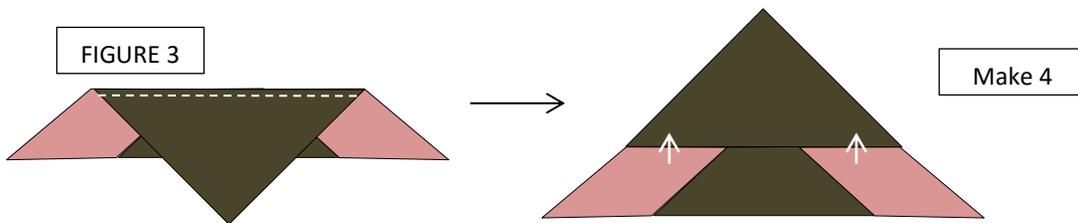
SECTION B:

1. Right sides together and using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, piece four (4) Sections B's as pictured. Press toward darker fabric (white arrow). (Fig. 1)

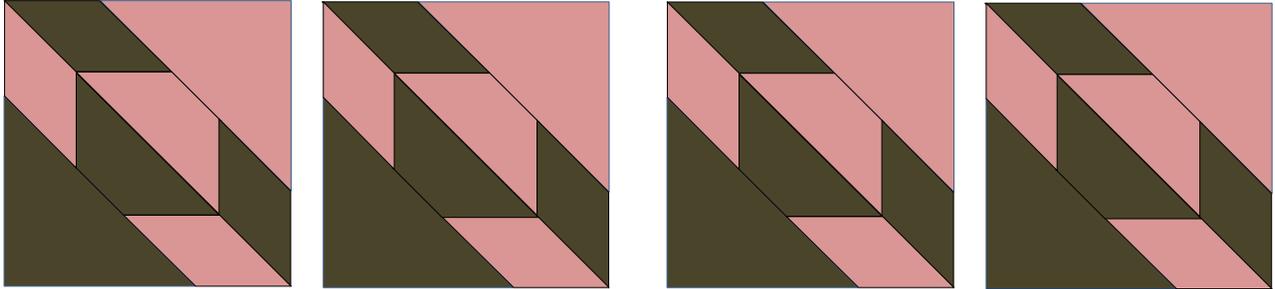
2. Make four (4). (Fig 2)



3. Sew a medium (pink) right triangle to the side of each of the four (4) strips created in Steps 1 & 2 where the trapezoid has the shortest side. Press toward the right triangle (white arrow). (Fig 3)



4. Sew Section A to Section B creating a corner patch. **DO NOT PRESS** until you have the entire block assembled. Make four (4) patches.



5. Sew the four (4) patches together creating a Hunter's Star Block. .

