

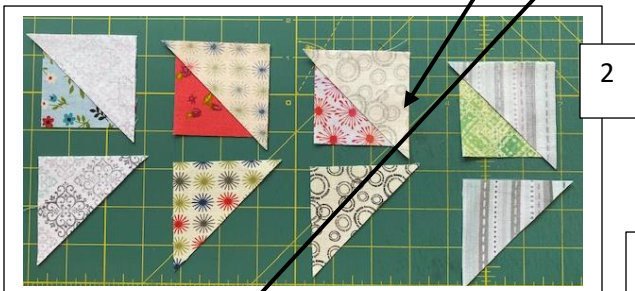
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Month 3 (Crazy Anne and Star Block)

General Tips:

1. When following the book, an accurate $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam is needed. Check you seams to make sure they are $\frac{1}{4}$ " and if the $\frac{1}{4}$ " is off, adjust before proceeding. Also be careful to make accurate diagonal cuts when instructed.
2. If you follow the instructions in the book, you are cutting on a bias edge. I suggest using starch to reduce the stretching.
3. Some of the fabrics had more shrinkage than others so I suggest preshrinking all the fabric. I do this by spraying the fabric completely with Best Press or your preferred brand but you could also use water. I use Best Press since it also helps with the bias edges.

Crazy Anne:



Important cutting instructions for Z and AA: The angle has to be the same on both fabrics and to match the pattern, the angle must be from top left to bottom right. Note: My angle is opposite of pattern.

Starting with the corner squares:

1. Take one of the 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares (Q-T) and place 2 triangles (U-X) as shown.
2. Sew along the side of the square along one triangle. Press.
3. Sew along the other side of the square along the other triangle. Press

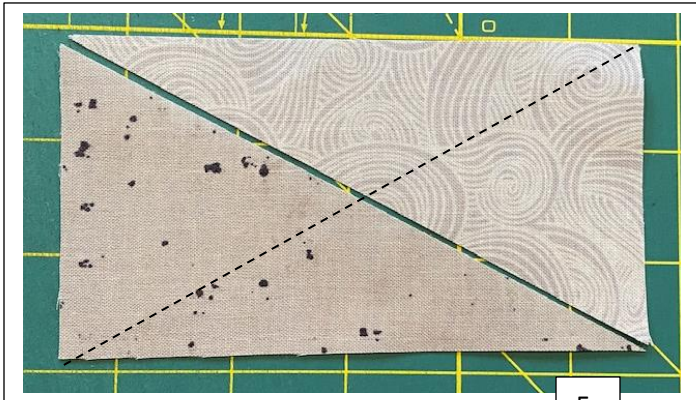
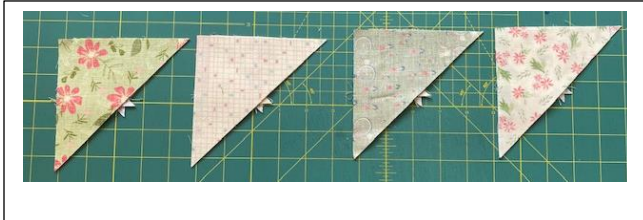




- 4. Add M-P triangles as shown on diagram in pattern.
- 5. Sew along the diagonal line of Fabric Z and AA. (See note about cutting)



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To match the pattern, cut each rectangle down the dotted line instead of the angle I cut. Either way will work as long as each rectangle is cut with the same angle.

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Notice the amount of overhang. I used a ruler to see where the 1/4" seam would hit.





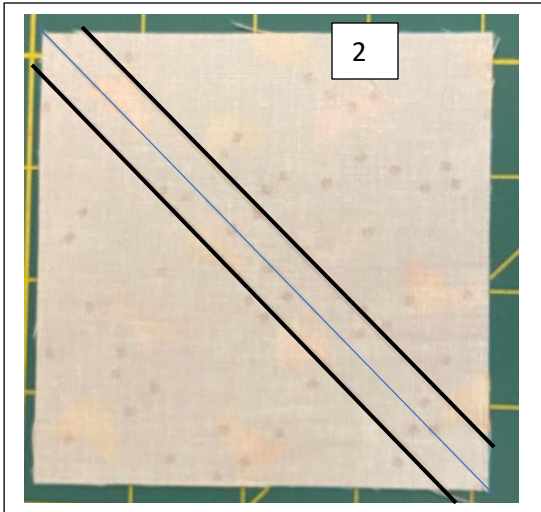
1. Place blocks as shown.
2. Sew 3 rows together.
3. Sew the 3 rows together to complete the block.



Final Crazy Anne Block



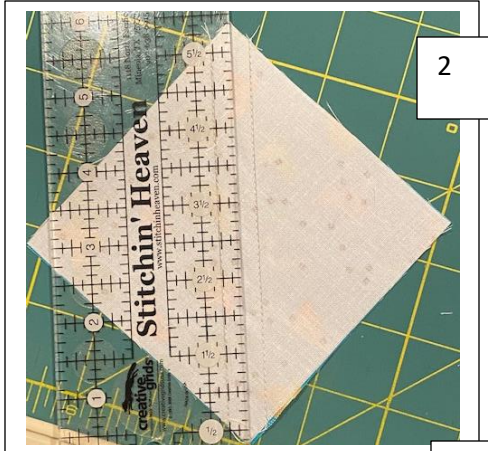
Star Block: There are instructions from trimming down if preferred. If you would like to do that, cut at least 1/8" bigger than the pattern. This is optional. Do not cut 3 7/8" squares diagonally if following this method.



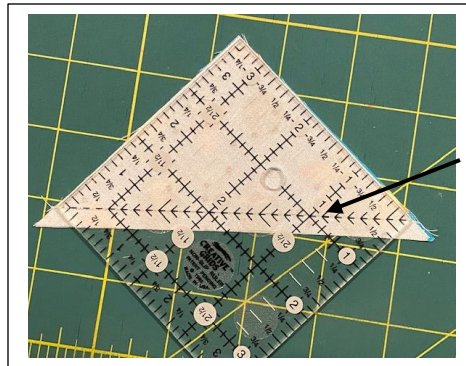
If you prefer the results from cutting bigger and trimming down, I have shown this on this page for the corner squares (Fabric EE and CC). This is optional. If you prefer to cut in accordance with the pattern and not trim, skip to the next page.

Note: Blocks should be 3 1/2".

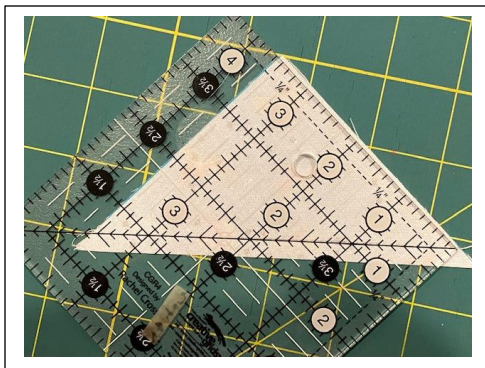
1. I cut the squares that I want to trim at least 1/8" larger than the pattern.
2. With rights sides together, draw a line down the center and then 1/4" from the center. Sew on the black lines and cut on the blue line.
3. If you have a 3 1/2" ruler, line of the sew line on the diagonal line and make sure there is overage on both sides and trim both sides and dog ears.
4. For larger rulers, line of diagonal line making sure coverage is past the 3 1/2" mark. Trim first side. Line up ruler on the 3 1/2" side and trim the second side.



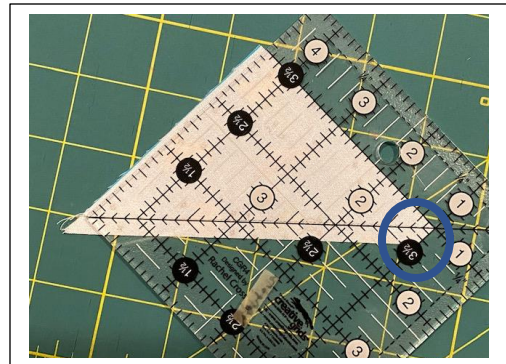
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3 1/2" ruler – diagonal line from ruler is on stitch line (black line)



Larger ruler – diagonal line from ruler is on stitch line (black line)

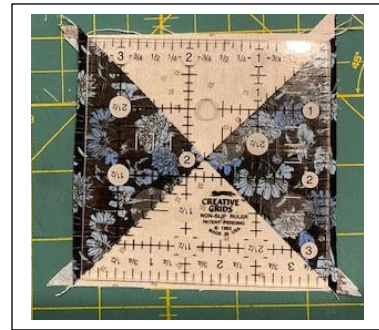
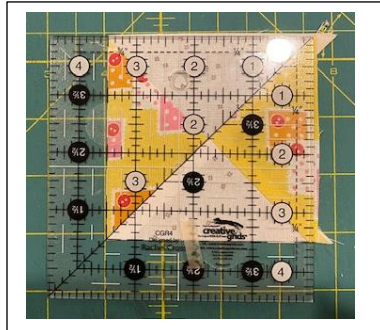
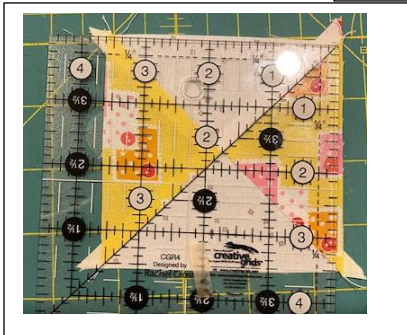




1. Sew (4) Fabric EE triangles to 4 Fabric CC larger triangles. (Skip if used method on previous page.
2. Sew a smaller Fabric CC triangle to either Fabric BB or Fabric DD based on layout shown. Press.
3. Take pieces created in step 2 and sew along diagonal line to complete the square. Each square should measure 3 1/2".
4. If you choose to trim, place diagonal line as shown and make sure the 3 1/2" area is covered. Trim on the first 2 sides. Then line up on the 3 1/2" line and trim remaining 2 sides. If you have a 3 1/2" ruler, you can trim all 4 sides at once.

Step 4 if trimming - Larger ruler

3 1/2" ruler



The hourglass block can be cut larger and trimmed down if preferred. The block should measure 3 1/2". For best results put the diagonal line as shown and center (1 3/4" inch).



1. Place blocks as shown.
2. Sew 3 rows together.
3. Sew the 3 rows together to complete the block.

Final Star Block:

