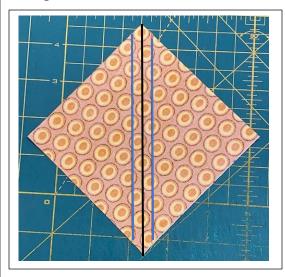
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## Month 9 - Filler Blocks Hourglass blocks

### General Tips:

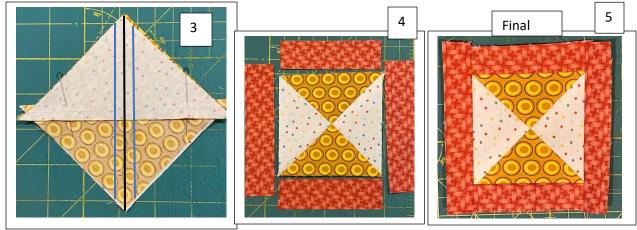
- 1. When following the book, an accurate ¼" seam is needed. Check you seams to make sure they are ¼" and if the ¼" is off, adjust before proceeding. Also be careful to make accurate diagonal cuts when instructed.
- 2. If you follow the instructions in the book, you are cutting on a bias edge. I suggest 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 but you could also use water. I use Best Press since it also helps with the bias edges.

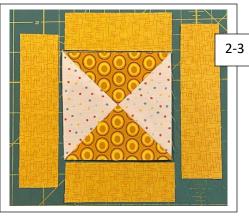
# **Hourglass Block:**



#### 3" With one round

- 1. Put the right sides together of the 4 ¼" squares.
- 2. Draw a diagonal line  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the center. Sew on the blue lines and cut on the black line.
- 3. Put the HST right sides together with the fabrics being opposite of each other. Draw a line on the opposite diagonal  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the center. Sew on the blue lines and cut on the black line.
- 4. Sew the shorter strips to each side. Press
- 5. Sew the longer strips to the top and bottom. Press





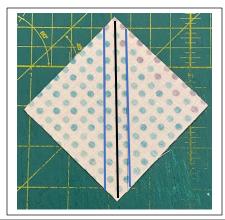
3" With two rounds

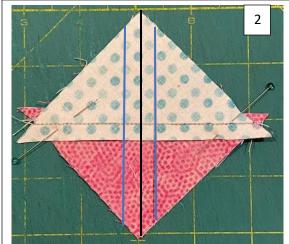
- 1. Use the remaining hourglass piece created in step 3 from page 1.
- 2. For round 1, sew the shorter strips to each side. Press
- 3. Sew the longer strips to the top and bottom. Press
- 4. For round 2, sew the shorter strips to each side. Press
- 5. Sew the longer strips to the top and bottom. Press

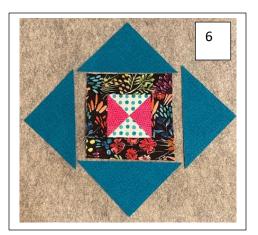




Final









- 2" hourglass (5" finished after borders)
- 1. Put the right sides together of the 3 ¼" squares.
- 2. Draw a diagonal line  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the center. Sew on the blue lines and cut on the black line.
- 3. Put the HST right sides together with the fabrics being opposite of each other. Draw a line on the opposite diagonal  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the center. Sew on the blue lines and cut on the black line.
- 4. Sew the shorter strips to each side. Press
- 5. Sew the longer strips to the top and bottom. Press
- 6. Add a triangle along opposite sides centering them onto the piece created in step 5.
- 7. Add the triangle onto the remaining sides.



Final

