



I confess, I found a quilt made from this block on Pinterest and thought it would be a good block for us.

This block is easily made with straight cuts and straight seams—no angles or curves!

Once you have a bunch of them, there are lots of design possibilities for arranging them in a quilt: a symmetric arrangement will provide a more traditional look, while a random arrangement and adding more white background will make a more modern-looking quilt.

FABRIC GUIDELINES

These blocks are made from three fabrics:

White – Solid white or white-on-white print

Bright – A solid or tone-on-tone (TOT) print that reads as a bright color

Black – Solid black, black-on-black (BOB) print or a white on black print that is mostly black.

If you are making multiple blocks, you can repeat **white** and **black** fabrics, but each Bright fabric must be unique.

CUTTING FABRIC

For each block you will need:

From **Bright**:

- One 6 ½ inch square

From **Black**:

- Three 1 ½ by 3 ½ inch rectangles
- One 1 ½ by 4 ½ inch rectangle
- One 1 ½ by 6 ½ inch rectangle

From **White**:

- Two 1 ½ by 3 ½ inch rectangles
- One 2 ½ x 4 ½ inch rectangle
- One 2 ½ by 6 ½ inch rectangle

SEWING THE BLOCK

1. Sew each pair of **white/black** rectangles with matching long edges together along the long side. You will have 4 pairs with one of the shortest **black** rectangles leftover. Press the seams toward the dark fabric
2. Form the left side of the block by sewing a 3 ½ inch pair with the **white** fabric at the top to the short end of the 6 ½ inch pair with the **black** on the left. Then add the leftover black rectangle to the other end (bottom). Press seams toward the dark fabric.
3. Form the right side of the block by sewing the other 3 ½ inch pair with **white** fabric to the right to the end of the 4 ½ inch long pair with **black** at the bottom. Press seam toward the dark. Then sew the **bright** square to the top edge.
4. Sew the two halves together. Press seam toward the **bright** fabric. You're done.

Measurement check:

Your block should measure 9½ inches (for a finished size of 9 inches when sewn into a quilt by one of the winners).