

3 D Blocks

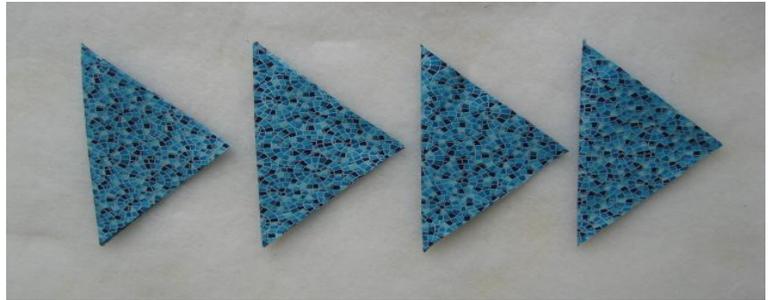
Pinwheels

Required Items

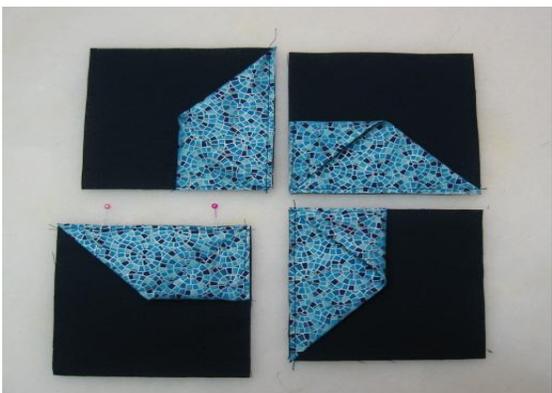
- ★ Continue using dark solid for background
- ★ Continue using medium solid or print for pinwheels
- ★ Scrap of thin batting

Instructions

- ★ Cut four 4 ½ " squares of background fabric
- ★ Cut four 4 ½ " squares of pinwheel fabric
- ★ Fold each pinwheel square in half to make a triangle
- ★ Fold one point of triangle toward 90 degree corner, keeping edges even, forming a trapezoid. Pin and machine baste in place close to edge – 1/8" seam allowance.



- ★ Place each trapezoid on a background square, lining up long edges. Pin and machine baste again, using 1/8" seam allowance.



- ★ Arrange squares to form a pinwheel design. Pin and stitch top 2 squares together using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Repeat for bottom 2 squares. Pressing seams in opposite directions, nest with right sides together, pin to secure and stitch the 4 squares together using $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Open and carefully press seam open to reduce centre bulk.
- ★ Determine quilting design and pencil/chalk in. Lay block on batting and quilt.
- ★ Cut 2 – $6\frac{1}{2}$ x $8\frac{1}{2}$ pieces of dark fabric for backing. Press $\frac{1}{2}$ " over on one long edge of each piece. Fold again and press to create a finished hem, stitch. Centre the 2 pieces on top of the block, the pieces will overlap like a slip cover for a cushion. Pin on the sides. Trim the top and bottom fabric on block to even it out with backing. Pin top and bottom to secure overlap. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam all the way around. Trim corners to reduce bulk. Turn block right side out. Poke corners square with a corner tool or poking tool. Press block to ensure edges are crisp and line up. Topstitch $\frac{1}{4}$ ' from edge with desired thread.



Finished Block $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ "

Original concept from Christie Davidson 2011