Scrappy Happy

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This is a fast, fun, and easy way to use up scraps of fabric.
Here are some websites for ideas for putting these blocks together:
www.bloomcreek.com Look under all patterns find: Sweet and Simple or Blooms for Annabelle
www.kayewood.com Search for Scrap Happy

Materials:

Assorted 30's reproduction fabric (the more the merrier)
Or you choose your color way.
14" X 14" piece of background fabric

Instructions:

¼" seam allowance
Please read all directions before beginning.

Cut scrap pieces into strips of 1" to 2 ½" X at least 20" or longer. Sew enough strips together to make the fabric piece at least 14" wide. Press all seams in one direction. Cut a square 14" X 14". Save the unused piece. The extra pieces can be used for a boarder.

Place the white on white or back ground fabric (14" X 14") and the strip-fabric square right sides together. Follow the instructions for the Quilt in a Day Half-square Triangle Ruler.

Please NOTE: www.quiltinaday.com
Go to download free patterns
You can get free instructions for all of these rulers.

Instructions for Rulers:

6 1/2 inch Triangle Square Up Ruler	65TriSquareUpRuler.pdf
Fussy Cut Ruler	FussyCutRuler.pdf
Large Flying Geese	LgGeeseRuler.pdf
Small Flying Geese	SmGeeseRuler.pdf
Triangle in a Square Ruler	TriSqInstructions.pdf
Scallops, Vines, and Waves	ScallopVine.pdf

Quilt in a Day®

Make perfect half triangle squares and quarter triangle squares in sizes up to 6½". Use this ruler with these Quilt in a Day books.

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Making Two Quarter Triangle Squares

1. Lay out (2) squares that are the same size, but different colors.
2. Pair squares right sides together. Draw a diagonal line. Sew ¼" from both sides of the drawn line.
3. Cut on both diagonal lines.
4. Set seams. Press open so the seams are toward the darker fabric.
5. Match the pieces with opposite fabrics next to each other. Sew the pairs together.
6. Set seams and press open.
7. Use the Quilt in a Day Triangle Square Up Ruler to square up your patches. Square half at a time. Place diagonal line on vertical seam and squaring line on horizontal seam. Trim. Turn patch 180° and repeat.

The Triangle Square Up Ruler

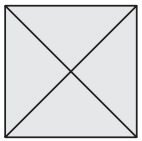
Use this ruler to square pieces up to 6½".

Finished Size	Cut Squares	Square Up To
½"	3"	1"
1"	4"	1½"
1½"	5"	2"
2"	6"	2½"
2½"	7"	3"
3"	8"	3½"
3½"	9"	4"
4"	10"	4½"
4½"	11"	5"
5"	12"	5½"
5½"	13"	6"
6"	14"	6½"

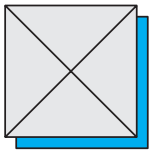
Finished Size	Cut Squares	Square Up To
1"	2½"	1½"
1½"	3"	2"
2"	3½"	2½"
2½"	4"	3"
3"	4½"	3½"
3½"	5"	4"
4"	5½"	4½"
4½"	6"	5"
5"	6½"	5½"
5½"	7"	6"
6"	7½"	6½"

Making Eight Half Triangle Squares

1. Cut one square of Background and one square of Triangle.
2. Draw diagonal lines on the wrong side of Background square.

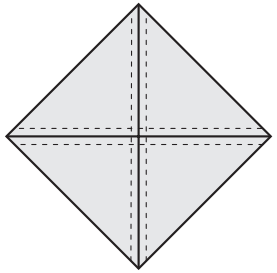


3. Place marked Background square right sides together with Triangle square. Pin.



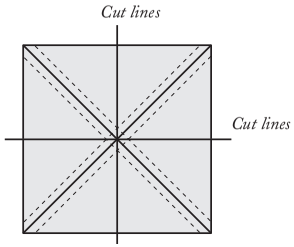
4. **Set up machine with thread that shows against the wrong side of both fabrics. It is important to see the stitching.**

5. Sew exactly ¼" from lines with 15 stitches to the inch or a 2.0 setting.



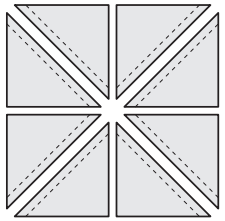
6. Press to set seams.

7. Lay on cutting mat grid lines.

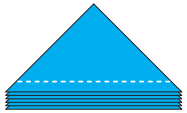


8. Without moving fabric, cut squares horizontally and vertically.

9. Cut on both diagonal lines. There should be a total of 8 closed triangles.

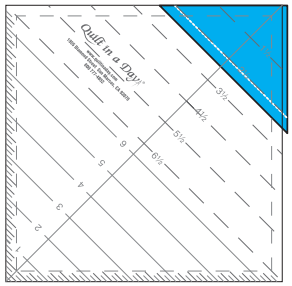


10. Stack closed with Triangle side up. If stitches show better on Background side, stack closed triangles Background side up.



Triangles are oversized and need to be trimmed. This technique is called "squaring up".

11. **Lay one test triangle on the cutting mat.** Use the Quilt in a Day **6½" Triangle Square Up Ruler** to trim.

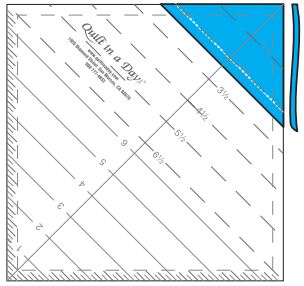


For quarter and eighth inch measurements, use marks provided along the edges.

12. Lay the ruler's selected Square Up line **on** the stitching line.

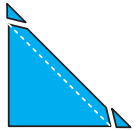
13. Line up top edge of ruler with triangle. Hold ruler firmly.

14. Trim right side of triangle, pushing rotary cutter toward the point to avoid damaging the ruler's corner.



Example is for 2½"

15. From stitching, trim tips at 60° angle.



16. Lay trimmed triangle on pressing mat, Triangle side up. Lift corner and press toward seam with tip of iron, pushing seams to Triangle side. Press carefully so pieces do not distort.

17. Measure to see if it is desired size. If not correct size, adjust placement of Square Up line **before** stitching if square is too small, or **after** stitching if square is too large.