



BLOCK 11 | TWINE

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Cutting

Level: Beginner

Techniques:

- Strip Piecing,
- Bias Tape Appliqué

Supplies:

- Bloc Loc 1-1/2" ruler (opt)
- Erasable Fabric Marker

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

All fabrics are assumed to be 45" wide, 100% quilting cotton

-Background: Leftover fabric from Block 1 or 1/3 yard

-Twine 1: 1/8 yard

-Twine 2: 1/8 yard

-Twine 3: 1/8 yard

-Twine 4: 1/8 yard

All seams are assumed to be a scant 1/4" unless noted otherwise.

BACKGROUND

Cut (1) 3-1/4" H strip across the top of your fabric. From this strip, cut:

Rectangle A: (1) 3-1/4" H x 16-3/4" W rectangle

Cut (2) 2" W strips. From these strips, cut:

Rectangle B: (2) 7-3/4" H x 2" W strips

Cut (2) 4" W strip. From this strip, cut:

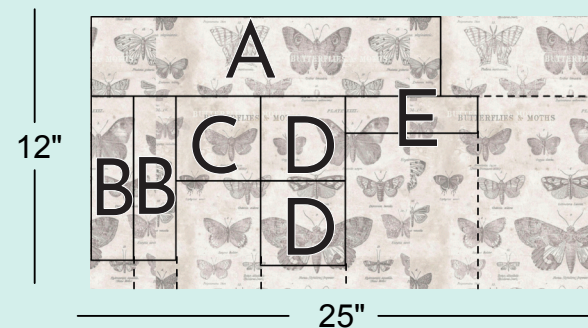
Square C: (1) 4" square

Square D: (2) 4" squares

Cut (1) 6-1/2" W strip. From this strip, cut:

Rectangle E: (1) 1-3/4" H x 6-1/2" W rectangle

Use leftover background from Block 1 (approx. 12" x 25")



TWINE

Square F: Cut (1 total) 4" square from one of the twine fabrics

Strip G: Cut (4 total) 1-1/2" strips from all four twine fabrics (don't worry if the one you used for Square F is slightly shorter - it'll all work out!)

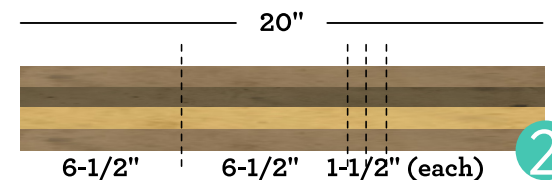
Sewing

Creating the Twine - Strip Piecing

1 Cut all Strip G pieces in half (approx. 20" long). Keep one of each and set aside the remaining four for Step 3. Lay out the remaining four 20" G strips, matching long sides. **MAKE SURE** that the top and bottom fabrics are different from your Square F fabric. Stitch along long edges (Image 2). Press seams in the same direction.

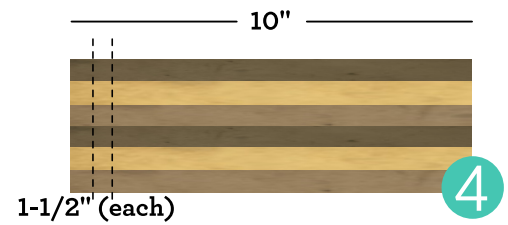
2 Cut the strip set into (2) 6-1/2" W strip sets and (2) 1-1/2" W sets (See Image 2). Set aside for Step 8.

3 Cut the remaining G strips (approximately 20" long) in half again to create eight 10" x 1-1/2" strips. Choose six of the eight strips and set aside extras. Stitch together your six chosen fabrics along long sides to create a 10" long strip (just like in the previous step. See Page 2, Image 4). Press all in one direction.

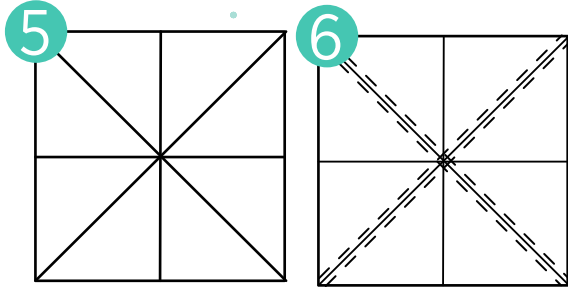


If using directional fabrics, I didn't fret on the direction, it's so tiny, you won't see much of a print anyway!

4 Cut the strip set into (2) 1-1/2" W strip sets (See Image 4). Set aside for Step 11.



Creating Half Square Triangles using the Magic 8 Method



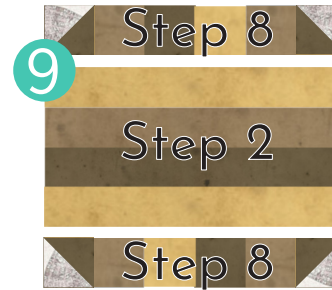
5 Place Square C on a flat surface. Draw 2 lines from corner to corner on the back of your Background C Square. Now draw a line across each center point for a total of 4 lines (Image 5).

6 Match with Square F, right sides together. Sew 1/4" on either side of the diagonal lines (Image 6).

7 Cut on the unsewn lines (the solid lines in Image 6) to create 8 half square triangles (we will be using 4 of the 8). Press seams toward the background fabric and trim dog ears. Trim so that each square measures 1-1/2" with seams meeting in the corners.

Creating the Twine Blocks

8 Stitch a HST from Step 7 to the end of each 1-1/2" strip set cut in Step 2 (with four fabrics in the strip set), making sure that the background fabric is on the outer edge of the block (Image 8). Press seams away from the HST. Repeat for a total of two strip sets.



9 Stitch one small strip set created in Step 8 to the top and bottom of one large strip set created in Step 2 (Image 9). Press seams toward the center.

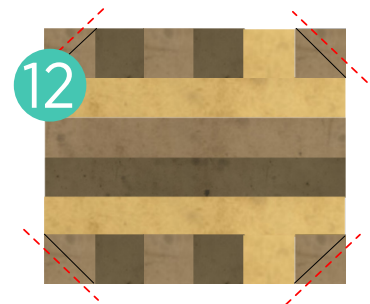
10 Stitch Strip E to the top of your Twine Block created in the previous step (Image 10). Press seams toward background. Set aside.

Creating the Tilted Block

11 Stitch one small strip set created in Step 4 (with six fabrics in the strip set) to the top and bottom of the remaining large strip set created in Step 2 (Image 11). Press seams toward the center.



12 Draw a line diagonally across the four corner blocks, across corners. Trim 1/4" past the corner (red dashes, Image 12, above). Set aside.



13 Take both D Squares and cut diagonally across corners to create a total of four triangles.

Want to see more on the Magic 8 Method? Check out: www.rachelrossi.design/magic-8



The final twine block in Step 10 should measure 6-1/2" W x 7-3/4" T

- 14 Turn the trimmed twine block from Step 12 and turn it on a 45 degree angle. Place the four D triangles on each side. *If using directional fabric, make sure to pay attention to the direction here!*



- 15 Stitch each triangle onto it's corresponding side. Remember that you'll have a little bit of overhang on each end - that's exactly what you want! Press seams toward background and trim dog ears.

Completing the Row

- 16 Lay out Twine blocks and B strips as shown in the diagram below (Image 16). Press seams toward background strips.



- 17 Stitch one Rectangle A to the top of the block set (Image 17). Press seams toward background. *Bias appliqué will be added during month 12 so that it can overlap with other blocks and rows.*



The final twine block in Step 15 should measure 7-3/4" square

The final block should measure 16-1/2" W x 10-1/2" T

