

Fabrics for the Split 9 Patch

You will need scraps of light and dark, I have used pinks for my lights and blues for my darks.

In blues cut four of 4 1/2" squares and two of 4 7/8" squares

In Pinks cut three of 4 1/2" squares and two of 4 7/8" squares (Pic 1)

These cutting requirements will give you a couple of extra half square units, but is necessary to maintain the scrappy look, your extras are bound to come in handy somewhere else

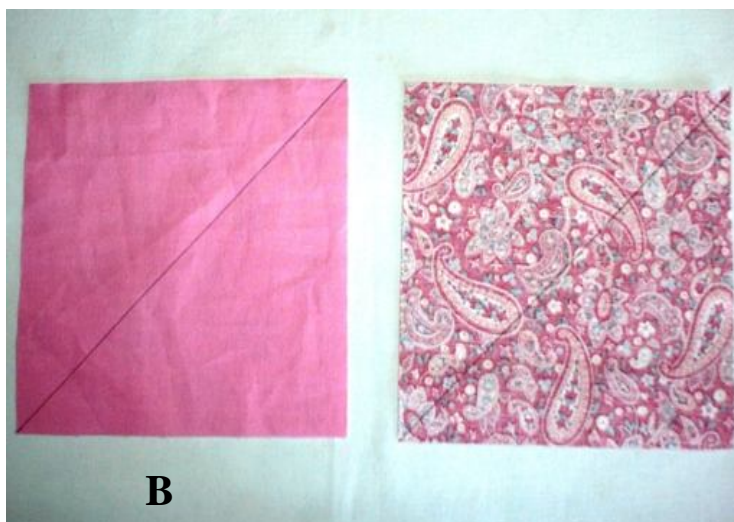
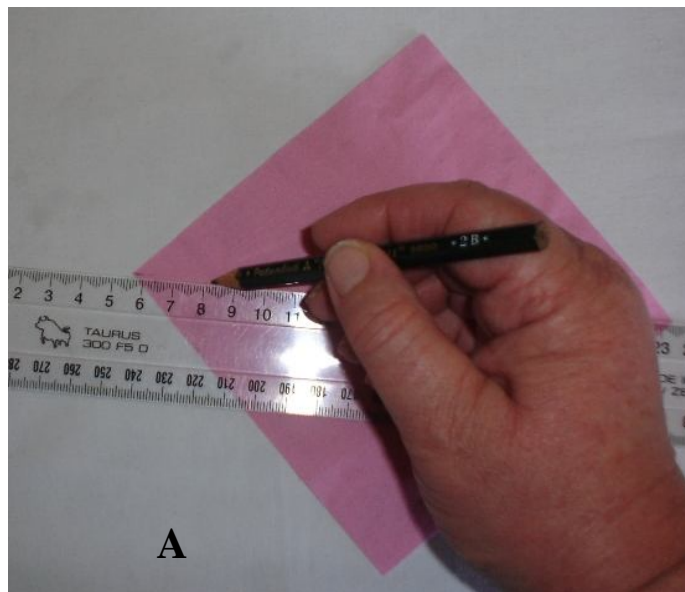
This block can also be made in two colours, if you use two colours you will only need to cut one 4 7/8" square in each colour



Making the Half Square Triangle Units

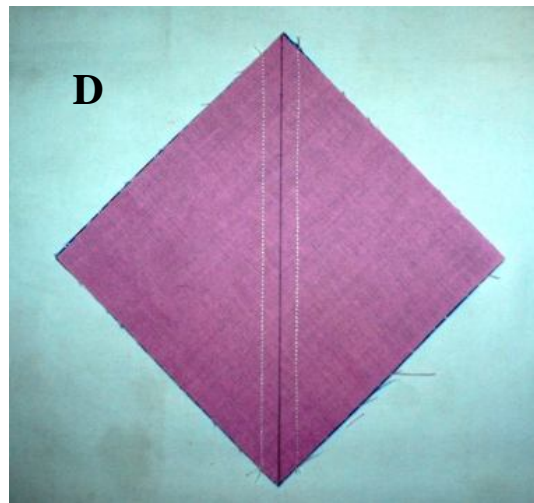
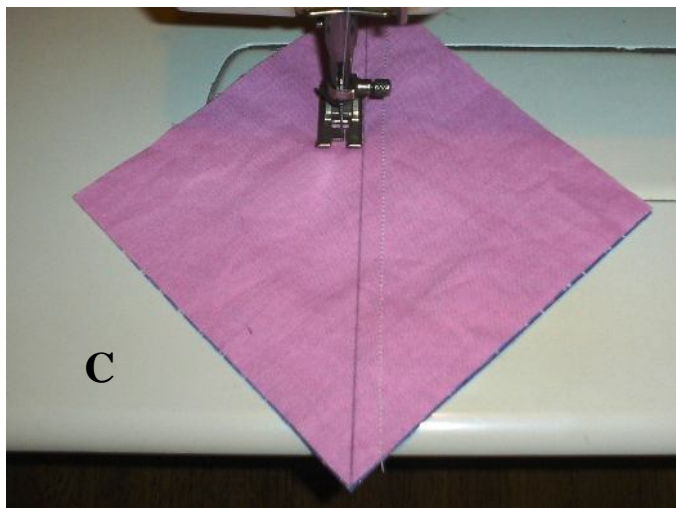
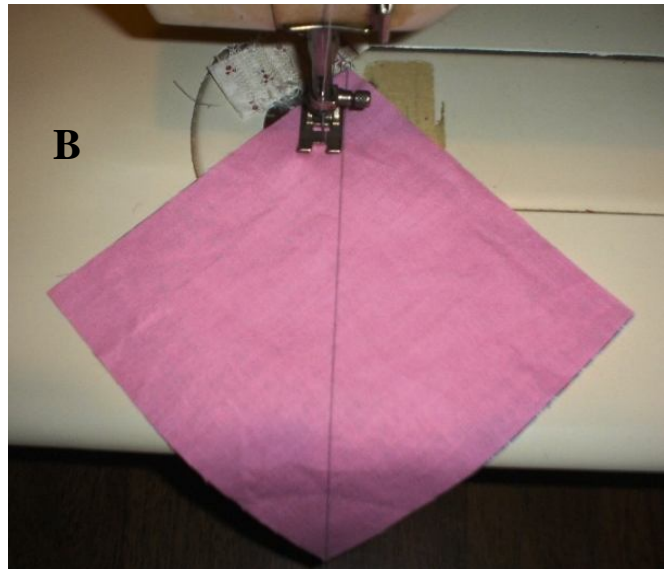
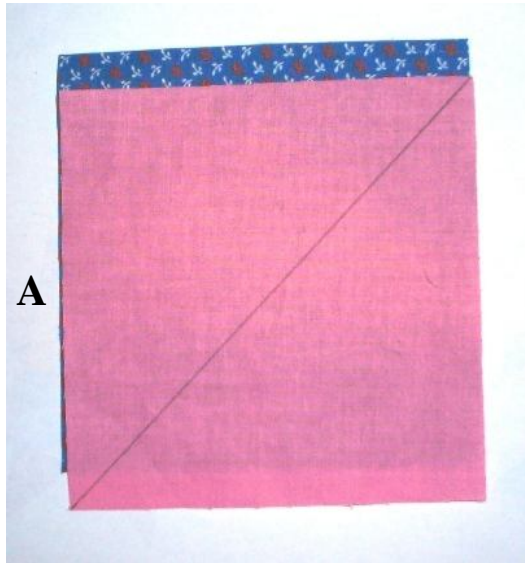
On each of your light squares, on the wrong side of the fabric, draw a diagonal line, with a soft pencil or other suitable marker, note: this is not your stitching line as in making sew and flip triangles like we did last month but is you cutting and seam guide line. (Pic 2a,b)

Pic 2



Match up your light square with a dark square, right sides together. Sew 1/4" either side of the drawn line by lining up the edge of your quarter inch foot on the drawn line. (Pic 3a-d)

Pic 3

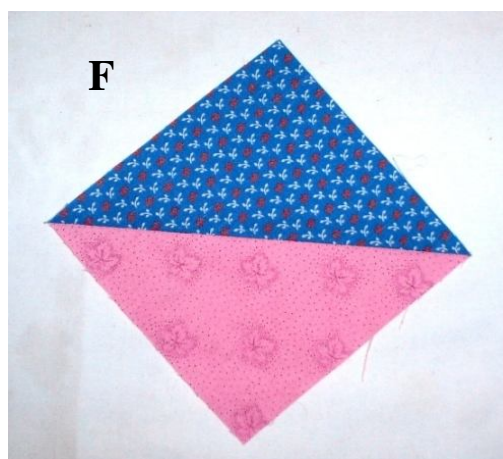
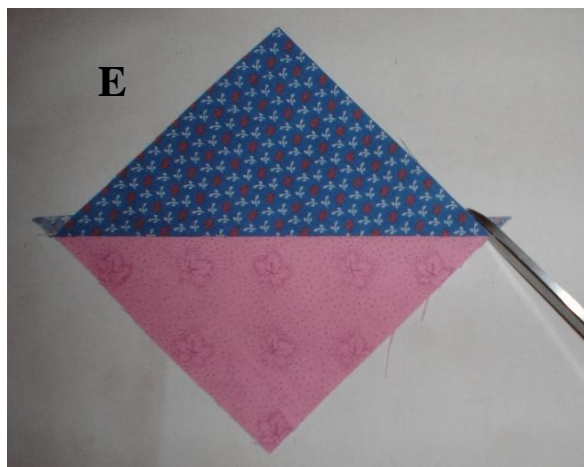
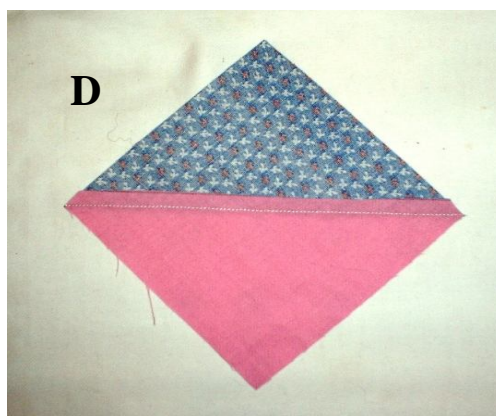
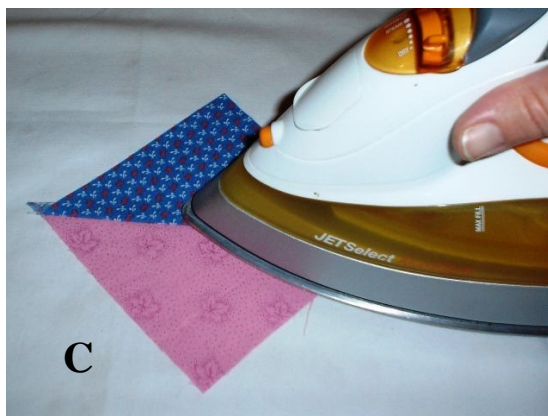
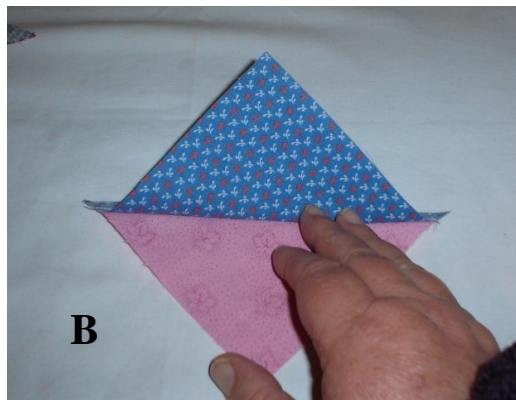
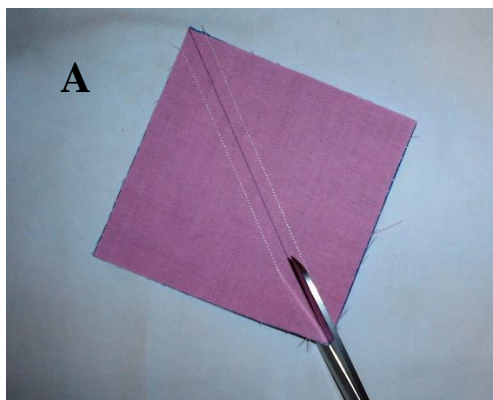


Press lines of stitching to set seam and cut apart

Lay triangle unit dark side up on the ironing board finger press open, then lightly press with iron, being careful not to distort your finished unit. This will result in the seam allowance being pressed towards the dark fabric. Trim off dog ears and your half square unit is finished.(Pic 4a-f)

If you are using a lot of these units in a block you may want to press the seam allowance open to reduce bulk, but for the spit 9 Patch pressed to one side will be fine

Pic 4



Assembling the Block

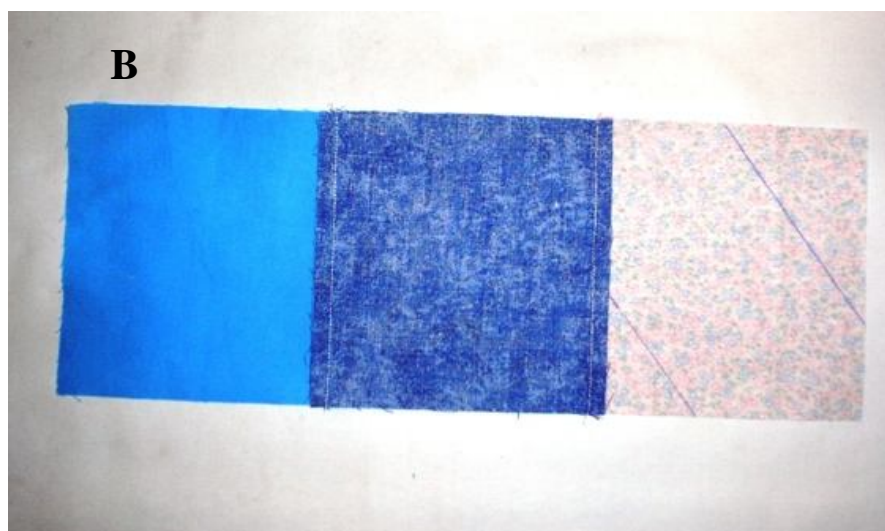
Lay out all your block pieces as shown (Pic 5)

Pic 5



Stitch units together in strips. Press seams of top and bottom strips towards center. (A)
Press seams of middle strip towards outside edges (B) so that seams will butt nicely when strips are joined. (Pic 6a,b)

Pic 6



Sew strips together as shown (Pic 7)

Your finished block (Pic 8)

Pic 7



Pic 8

