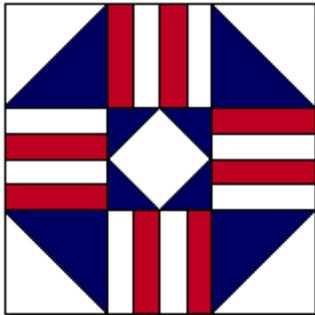


May Quilt Block – to be in the June drawing

Remember, the more blocks you bring, the more times your name goes in the drawing.



Crossroads 2

This block is made with red white and blue solids or print fabric. Finished size to be 12", your block should measure 12.5".

Read through all instructions before beginning. Remove selvages. Sew pieces right sides together and use a 1/4" seam allowance throughout.

Materials:

One fat quarter each of red, white and blue will make this block more than one time.

Cutting instructions:



RED - two 1-1/2" x 18" strips



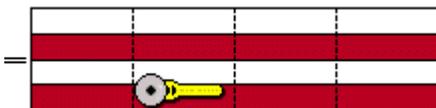
WHITE - two 1-1/2" x 18" strips AND one 4-1/2" square AND one 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" strip



BLUE - one 2-1/2" x 10" strip AND one 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" strip

Instructions:

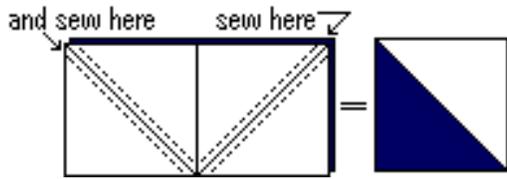
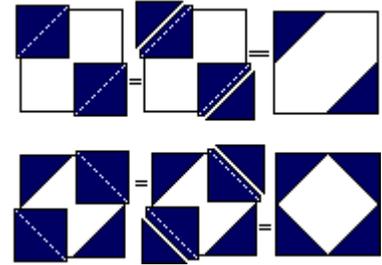
Start by cutting the Blue 2-1/2" x 10" strip into four 2-1/2" squares...



Next, using a scant 1/4" seam, sew together the two Red and two White 1-1/2" x 18" strips as shown at left. Press seams towards darker colors. Trim this at 4-1/2" intervals to make four pieced units...

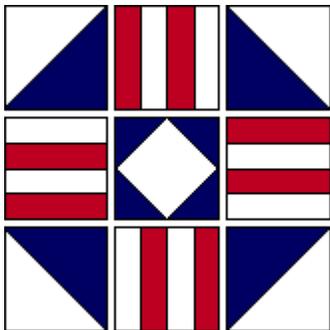
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Place a Blue 2-1/2" square right sides together atop the upper left corner of the White 4-1/2" square, with outer edges aligned. (I show them staggered here just so you can see that there are two layers) On the back of the top square, lightly draw the diagonal, then sew ON this diagonal line. Cut off the excess seam allowance, and press the remainder towards the outer triangle. Repeat this with another Blue square on the opposing corner. Then repeat the same procedure with the other two Blue squares on the adjacent corners, again pressing the seams towards the outer triangles...



Next speed piece the half squares, by stacking the White and Blue 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" strips, right sides together and all edges aligned. On the back of the top strip, lightly mark the 4-7/8" square line and mark the diagonals in the direction shown at left. Now sew a scant 1/4" above and below the marked diagonals,

pivoting at the square lines. Now cut apart on the marked diagonals, and on the 4-7/8" square line. This will give you four half squares. Press seam allowances towards the darker fabric. Trim these back to measure 4-1/2" if needed.



Now lay out your units as shown at left. Sew three horizontal rows. Join the rows and you are all done!

One idea for a finished quilt:

