

The Trick to Perfect Triangles© by Debby Kratovil

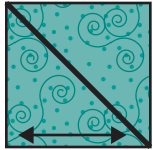
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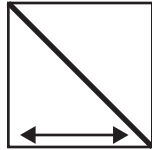
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Half-square triangles

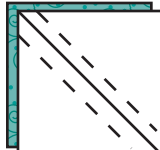
- Cut two contrasting print squares finished size plus $7/8"$
- Draw diagonal line on wrong side of lighter square
- Sew $1/4"$ seam along BOTH sides of drawn line. Pin together.
- Cut apart along drawn line; press seams toward darker print (makes 2 units)



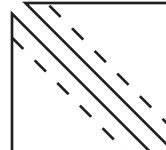
Add $7/8"$



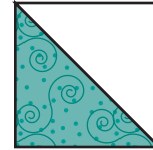
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Pair & sew



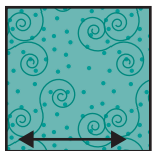
Cut apart



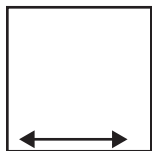
Press toward darker print

Quarter-square triangles

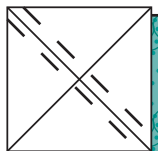
- Cut two contrasting print squares finished size plus $1-1/4"$
- Draw line along BOTH diagonals. Pin together.
- Sew $1/4"$ seam along BOTH sides of ONLY ONE diagonal line (your choice!)
- Cut apart along BOTH lines (begin with the unsewn line); press seams toward darker print
- Two distinct two-patch units; two of each (makes two Hourglass units)



Add $1-1/4"$



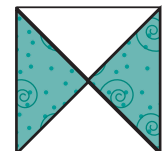
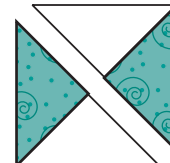
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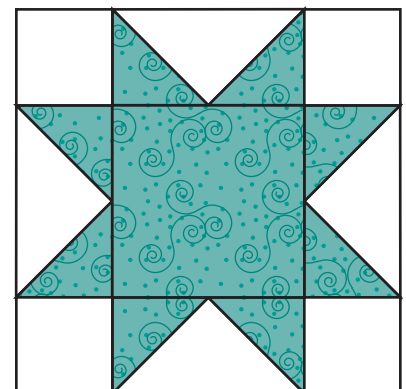
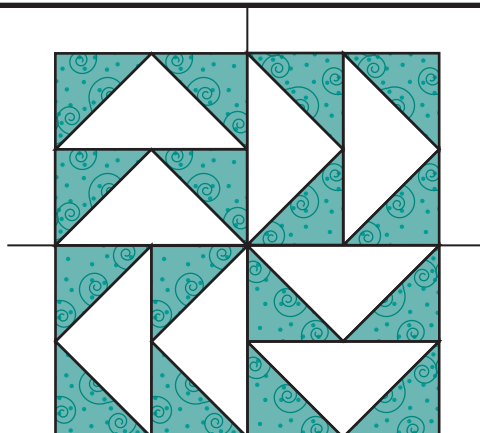
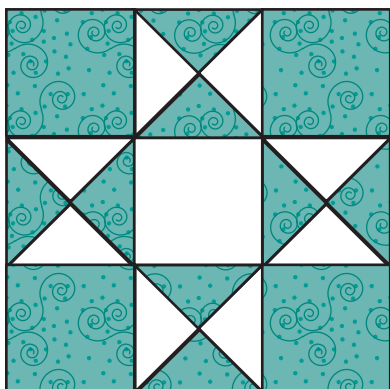
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Two different units



Hourglass



Blocks that use Half-Square and Quarter-Square Triangles