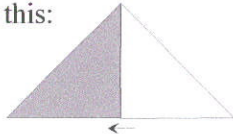
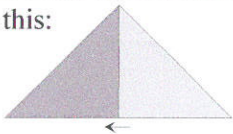


It is extremely important that your seam allowance is a perfect $\frac{1}{4}$ ". It's the secret to getting any quilt to fit together properly. You can check this on your machine by gently lowering your needle onto a ruler, set on the throat plate of your machine. Measure the $\frac{1}{4}$ " mark from there. It may not be the edge of your foot. You can mark this perfect $\frac{1}{4}$ " with a piece of masking tape on the plate of your machine if necessary. Your block should measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " after it is sewn together. This will give you a "finished size" of 12" when the quilt top is sewn together.

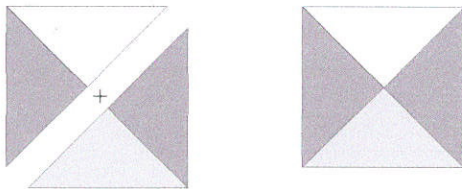
1. Sew one of the light triangles to a dark triangle along their short sides as shown. Press seam allowances toward the dark fabric. Make four like this:



2. Sew a medium and a dark triangle together along their short sides as shown. Press seam allowances toward the dark triangle. Make four like this:

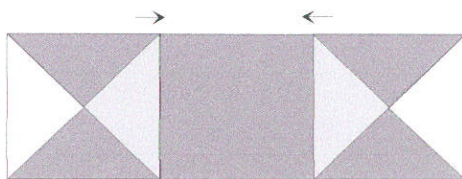


3. Sew the units together to form triangle/squares as shown. be sure to snuggle your seam allowances together and pin before you sew.



4. Sew one row together as shown. Press seam allowances toward the center square.

Make one like this:



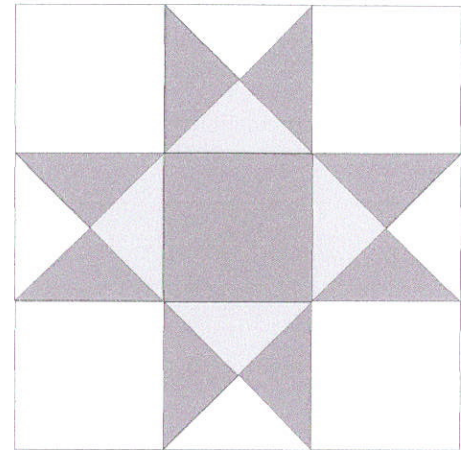
5. Sew one triangle/square to two background squares. Press seam allowances toward the background squares.

Make two like this:



6. Pin and sew the top row to the center row. Pin and sew the center row to the bottom row. Be sure to "butt" your seam allowances together.

Block of the Month Eight



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