

Roundabouts
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Clue 4

Carrying on with our border, we will be finishing up those last four corner units in this clue. Along with these four units, we will be making some pretty interesting units that will show off the roundabouts once we lay out and assemble. There are quite a few pieces to cut for these, but well worth the effort. All sizes will need 9 (nine) Block A units. Again, Block A is for the centre design, Block B are the border units.

Block A:

BACKGROUND	<i>ALL Sizes</i>
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>2-1/2" WOF strips</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 2-1/2" squares</i>	<i>36</i>
DARK	<i>ALL Sizes</i>
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>3-3/8" WOF strips</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 3-3/8" squares</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>3" WOF strips</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 3" squares</i>	<i>36</i>
<i>Cut 3" squares on ONE diagonal for triangles</i>	<i>72</i>
POP	<i>ALL Sizes</i>
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>4-7/8" WOF strips</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 4-7/8" squares</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Cut 4-7/8" squares on ONE diagonal for triangles</i>	<i>36</i>

POP	ALL Sizes
3" WOF strips	2
Sub-cut to 3" squares	18
Cut 3" squares on ONE diagonal for triangles	36

We will make each section of this 9-patch, then assemble. Each of these units will need to be "squared" to 4-1/2".

First, we need those BACKGROUND 2-1/2" squares and our DARK 3" triangles. We will assemble these units like this:



You may need to confirm the "short" sides measure just about 4-7/8". These will be stitched to our POP 4-7/8" triangles along the longest side. Trim to 4-1/2".



Now, let's do the easy part, the centre units. These will be a square in a square with our DARK 3-3/8" squares and our POP 3" triangles. I found the centre by folding in half and finger pressing. We will stitch two sides, press, rotate, and stitch the other two to finish.



Remember to square these to 4-1/2" as well. Pressing should be done away from the DARK square.

Finally, let's make some hourglass units to complete our 9-patch units. We need to mate a BACKGROUND with each DARK and POP 5-1/4" square. I drew a line on the wrong side of all my BACKGROUND squares before mating for ease. We will stitch 1/4" from the line making HSTs (half square triangles) that should measure very close to 5". Press these toward the darker colour.



Now, let's mate these to each other, BACKGROUND fabrics opposite each other.



One more line, stitching again, we we are ready to press and to 4-1/2".

Mated, line drawn:



Sewn and cut on line:



Pressed and trimmed:



Deconstructed



Complete

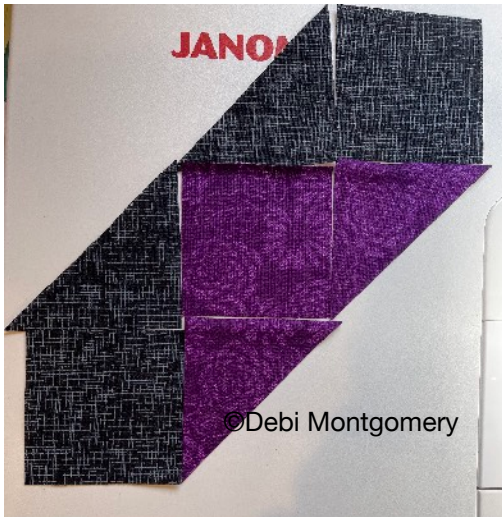


Block B: (border corners) Please cut from scraps first as we only need a few of these.

BACKGROUND	<i>All Sizes</i>
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Cut these on ONE diagonal for triangles</i>	<i>8</i>
DARK	<i>All Sizes</i>
<i>3" WOF strips</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 3" squares</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Cut these on ONE diagonal for triangles</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>2-3/4" WOF strips</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 2-3/4" squares</i>	<i>8</i>

POP	All Sizes
3" WOF strips	1
Sub-cut to 3" squares	4
Cut these on ONE diagonal for triangles	8
2-3/4" WOF strips	1
Sub-cut to 2-3/4" squares	4

We only need four of these. These should measure 9" like your other border units. Again, same assembly as clues 2 and 3, but watch those POP triangles, they need to be exactly like mine. Complete for today, these should measure 7".



If we got our borders in the correct layout and assembly, we should be able to make a corner with our POP fabrics making the "frame" for a square. See my corner here:

