

Centre Stage
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 Clue 5

For this clue, we will be creating eight total blocks, four each of Block A and Block B. Both are pretty easy, but let's do the one with triangles first. Block B is squares and rectangles, EASY! Block A is the friendship star block which I think looks more like a retro pinwheel we used to stick in the garden and watch the wind spin it!

Block A: four retro pinwheels

BACKGROUND	<i>9" blocks</i>	<i>12" blocks</i>
<i>4-1/4" WOF strips</i>	1	
<i>Sub-cut to 4-1/4" squares</i>	4	
<i>3-1/2" WOF strips</i>	<i>Scraps + 1</i>	
<i>Sub-cut to 3-1/2" squares</i>	16	
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>		1
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>		4
<i>4-1/2" WOF strips</i>		<i>Scraps + 1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 4-1/2" squares</i>		16

BACKGROUND CONTRAST	<i>9" blocks</i>	<i>12" blocks</i>
<i>4-1/4" WOF strips</i>	1	
<i>Sub-cut to 4-1/4" squares</i>	4	
<i>AND 3-1/2" squares</i>	4	
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>		1
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>		4
<i>AND 4-1/2" squares</i>		4

INSPIRATION	9" blocks	12" blocks
<i>3-7/8" WOF strips</i>	<i>1</i>	
<i>Sub-cut to 3-7/8" squares</i>	<i>8</i>	
<i>Cut squares on ONE diagonal for triangles</i>	<i>16</i>	
<i>4-7/8" WOF strips</i>		<i>1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 4-7/8" squares</i>		<i>8</i>
<i>Cut squares on ONE diagonal for triangles</i>		<i>16</i>

Let's grab those **BACKGROUND** and **BACKGROUND CONTRAST** 4-1/4" or 5-1/4" squares and mate them right sides together to each other. We will cut these on **BOTH** diagonal for triangles. We will take these straight to the sewing machine and starting at the 90° (square) angle with the **BACKGROUND** on top, stitch to the bottom corner.



You should have some **INSPIRATION** triangles now, we will mate these with the 2-colour triangles we just created.

We need to trim these to 3-1/2" or 4-1/2" now, we are ready to lay out our **FOUR** blocks like this:



These should be 9-1/2" or 12-1/2" now and pressed flat.



Block B: those four with squares and rectangles

BACKGROUND	<i>9" blocks</i>	<i>12" blocks</i>
<i>2-3/4" WOF strips</i>	3	
<i>Sub-cut to 2-3/4" x 5" units</i>	12	
<i>3-1/2" WOF strips</i>		3
<i>Sub-cut to 3-1/2" x 6-1/2" units</i>		12
BACKGROUND CONTRAST	<i>9" blocks</i>	<i>12" blocks</i>
<i>2-3/4" WOF strips</i>	1	
<i>3-1/2" WOF strips</i>		1
INSPIRATION	<i>9" blocks</i>	<i>12" blocks</i>
<i>5" WOF strips</i>	1	
<i>Sub-cut to 5" blocks</i>	4	
<i>6-1/2" WOF strips</i>		1
<i>Sub-cut to 6-1/2" blocks</i>		4

Please make sure you have one BACKGROUND WOF (2-3/4" for the 9" or 3-1/2" for the 12") left to mate with the BACKGROUND CONTRAST for a strip-set. From here, let's cut that strip-set down to 12 (twelve) 2-3/4" x 5" OR 3-1/2" x 6-1/2" units. We will grab those BACKGROUND rectangles to complete some 5" or 6-1/2" squares.

You should have 12 of these now. We will add those final INSPIRATION squares for our block.



You should have four of these, measuring 9-1/2" or 12-1/2" and pressed flat.

