

Family Ties
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 Clue 5

For this clue, we will be creating four similar blocks to Clue 4 Block B, a lot of similar cutting. Block B is for you to use your creative size to create two star blocks. I made tri-recs stars, I love these... you may love different stars, use your faves here. Cutting for Block B will be using the tri-recs tool. If you create a different star here, please DO NOT cut Block B.

Block A: we need four of these

LIGHT	10" blocks	12" blocks
4-5/8" WOF strips	Scraps + 1	
Sub-cut to 4-5/8" squares	1	
AND 4-1/4" squares	4	
AND 3-7/8" squares	4	
5-1/4" WOF strips		Scraps + 1
Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares		1
AND 4-7/8" squares		4
AND 4-1/2" squares		4

DARK	10" blocks	12" blocks
4-5/8" WOF strips	Scraps + 1	
Sub-cut to 4-5/8" squares	1	
AND 4-1/4" squares	6	
AND 3-7/8" squares	8	
5-1/4" WOF strips		Scraps + 1
Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares		1
AND 4-7/8" squares		6
AND 4-1/2" squares		8

COMPLIMENT	10" blocks	12" blocks
<i>4-5/8" WOF strips</i>	<i>Scraps + 1</i>	
<i>Sub-cut to 4-5/8" squares</i>	<i>2</i>	
<i>AND 4-1/4" squares</i>	<i>10</i>	
<i>5-1/4" WOF strips</i>		<i>Scraps + 1</i>
<i>Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares</i>		<i>2</i>
<i>AND 4-7/8" squares</i>		<i>10</i>

We will create these exactly like we did in clue 4 except with the colour-way. We will use those large squares first, exactly the same.

We will need eight (8) COMPLIMENT/LIGHT and eight (8) COMPLIMENT/DARK HSTs created from the middle sized squares again.

Using the remainder of the middle squares, we will create four of each of these just like clue 4.



Four of each of these, they should measure 3-7/8" or 4-1/2" and be pressed toward the solid triangles.



All units should measure 3-7/8" or 4-1/2" now. We are ready to lay out this clue's Block A.





Complete, these should look exactly like the ones we did in clue 4 except the bottom triangle will be in the third fabric.

Again, there will be a bit of bulk in the centre units, press accordingly.

You should have FOUR of these beauties measuring 10-1/2" or 12-1/2".

Block B: two stars, your choice, these are "tri-recs" stars (triangle in a square) Please use all scraps before cutting new WOFs

LIGHT	10" blocks	12" blocks
3-7/8" WOF strips	2	
Using the "tri" tool, cut triangles	8	
AND 3-7/8" squares	8	
4-1/2" WOF strips		2
Using the "tri" tool, cut triangles		8
AND 4-1/2" squares		8
DARK	10" blocks	12" blocks
3-7/8" WOF strips*	1	
Using the "recs" tool, cut triangles	8 sets (16 triangles)	
4-1/2" WOF strips*		1
Using the "recs" tool, cut triangles		8 sets (16 triangles)

*Leave these folded, cutting two triangles at a time (while folded) will yield what we need.

COMPLIMENT	10" blocks	12" blocks
3-7/8" squares	2	
4-1/2" squares		2

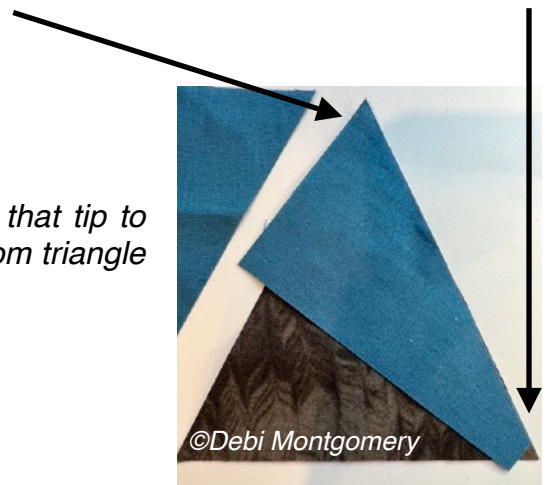
I'm hoping you can get these two squares from your scraps.

Let's use those "tri" and "recs" units first.
Deconstructed units:



You should have enough to make eight (8) of these.

Flipping the right side to the centre, you should see a bit of the centre triangle peeking out the bottom and the triangle you flipped will hang over the square top of the centre triangle.



Once I sew this side on (1/4" seam allowance), I use that tip to align the second (left) side. Again making sure the bottom triangle plays peek-a-boo.



Please press away from the centre triangles. You should now have eight (8) of these triangle in a square units. As things might get wonky when pressing, please make sure these are trimmed to 3-7/8" or 4-1/2". Also, please make sure you have a solid 1/4" seam allowance at that top point.

We are ready to grab those final squares and lay this out.

Deconstructed:



I constructed this like a 9-patch (3 rows, 3 units). I also pressed away from the points in the stars to help them lay flat.

You should have two (2) of these beautiful stars that measure 10-1/2" or 12-1/2" now.

Well done! See you soon...

