Day Dreaming
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Clue 3

We will start with some smaller cuts for this clue, but please use those scraps before cutting new WOF strips. We have two sets of blocks for this clue. We need nine (9) Block A units and four (4) Block B units. With Block B, we will use a very similar design in Clue 4, so we are cutting more than we need to complete our four blocks. Both the square and the rectangle need ALL of these blocks.

Block A: square and rectangle need all units

BACKGROUND	*8" blocks*	*10" blocks*
4-1/4" WOF strips	*2*	
Sub-cut to 4-1/4" squares	*18*	
2-1/4" WOF strips	*2*	
5" WOF strips		*2-3*
Sub-cut to 5" squares		*18*
2-5/8" WOF strips		*2*

FOCUS	*8" blocks*	*10" blocks*
4-1/4" WOF strips	*2*	
Sub-cut to 4-1/4" squares	*18*	
1-7/8" WOF strips	*1*	
Sub-cut to 1-7/8" squares	*9*	
5" WOF strips		*3*
Sub-cut to 5" squares		*18*
2-1/4" WOF strips		*1*
Sub-cut to 2-1/4" squares		*9*

ACCENT	*8” blocks*	*10” blocks*
2-1/4” WOF strips	*2*	
2-5/8” WOF strips		*2*

Let’s make some strip-sets with those WOF strips. We need to make some BACKGROUND/ ACCENT strips. These should be 4” wide for the 8” blocks or 4-3/4” for the 10” blocks. Please press these strip-sets toward the darker fabric (for me, this was the background - black). We need to cut these strip-sets into 1-7/8” x 4” units for the 8” blocks or 2-1/4” x 4-3/4” units for the 10” blocks. We should have enough strip-sets to get our needed 36 units.

Now we will need to grab those larger BACKGROUND and FOCUS squares and assemble some HST units, using the two at a time method (drawing one diagonal line…). We need 36 of these units. For the 8” blocks, your HST units should measure 4” and the 10” blocks should measure 4-3/4”.

You should now have 36 strip-set units, 36 HST units, and 9 FOCUS squares. We will use these to assemble our blocks.

Deconstructed:

Complete:

Block B: This is a TWO fabric cutting chart. Please cut the required units from EACH fabric.

BACKGROUND and ACCENT	*8" blocks*	*10" blocks*
5-1/4" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares	*2*	
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles	*8*	
4-7/8" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 4-7/8" squares	*4*	
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles	*8*	
3-1/4" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 3-1/4" squares	*2*	
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles	*8*	
2-7/8" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 2-7/8" squares	*4*	
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles	*8*	
1-1/2" WOF strips	*1*	
6-1/4" WOF strips		*Scraps or 1*
Sub-cut to 6-1/4" squares		*2*
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles		*8*
5-7/8" WOF strips		*1*
Sub-cut to 5-7/8" squares		*4*
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles		*8*

BACKGROUND and ACCENT	*8" blocks*	*10" blocks*
3-3/4" WOF strips		*Scraps or 1*
Sub-cut to 3-3/4" squares		*2*
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles		*8*
3-3/8" WOF strips		*Scraps or 1*
Sub-cut to 3-3/8" squares		*4*
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles		*8*
1-3/4" WOF strips		*1*

FOCUS	*8" blocks*	*10" blocks*
5-1/4" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 5-1/4" squares	*4*	
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles	*16*	
4-7/8" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 4-7/8" squares	*8*	
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles	*16*	
3-1/4" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 3-1/4" squares	*4*	
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles	*16*	
2-7/8" WOF strips	*Scraps or 1*	
Sub-cut to 2-7/8" squares	*8*	
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles	*16*	
1-1/2" WOF strips	*2*	

FOCUS	*8" blocks*	*10" blocks*
6-1/4" WOF strips		*Scraps or 1*
Sub-cut to 6-1/4" squares		*4*
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles		*16*
5-7/8" WOF strips		*Scraps + 1*
Sub-cut to 5-7/8" squares		*8*
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles		*16*
3-3/4" WOF strips		*Scraps or 1*
Sub-cut to 3-3/4" squares		*4*
Cut on BOTH diagonals for triangles		*16*
3-3/8" WOF strips		*Scraps or 1*
Sub-cut to 3-3/8" squares		*8*
Cut on ONE diagonal for triangles		*16*
1-3/4" WOF strips		*2*

Firstly, please set aside HALF the triangles in each fabric, we will use these in a later clue.

Let's have some fun making some snail trail blocks. We need those WOF strips to make some 4-patch units. We need to make one BACKGROUND/ FOCUS and one ACCENT/FOCUS strip set. We will lay them out as shown, with the FOCUS opposite each other.

We will cut these into 1-1/2" or 1-3/4" units, cutting one 4-patch at a time. We have them nested in the correct positions to just pick them up and stitch them.

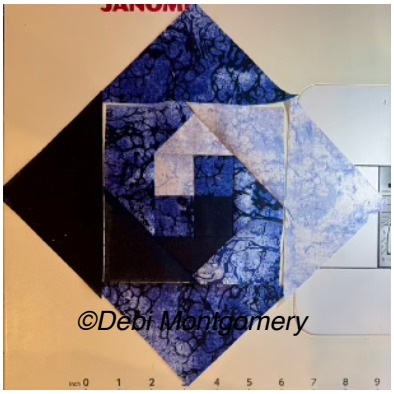
Our 4-patch units should measure 2-1/2" or 3" now. Please press these flat (I pressed the centre in a pinwheel fashion for a more flat unit). We will need EIGHT of these units. We need to set four of these aside with those triangles for a later clue.

Let's get started. For these snail trails, our fabrics need to touch themselves first under the needle. I have a YouTube tutorial on our channel to help you understand what I mean. Here it is in pictures.

Please note my FOCUS square and FOCUS triangle will touch FIRST under my needle. You should see this all the way around the block, each fabric touches itself right away when I stitch it.

Round 2: same story FOCUS touches FOCUS first.

I am keeping the 4-patch in the centre in the same position for each round to help you with placement.



Round 3 and we are almost there!

Our final round (round 4) finishes our snail trail blocks. I finger-pressed each round and just kept stitching, pressing it when I finished.

We will have FOUR with the trails spinning in this direction. Here are approximate measurements for each round.

	8" blocks	*10" blocks*
4-patch units	*2-1/2"*	*3"*
Round 1	*3-1/2"*	*4"*
Round 2	*4-1/2"*	*5-1/2"*
Round 3	*6"*	*7-1/2"*
Round 4	*8-1/2"*	*10-1/2"*