

BLOCK PARTY

Disappearing 4 Patch with a twist 9 1/2" block

An easy block check out tutorial on the link below

<http://round22.blogspot.com/2012/07/disappearing-4-patch-with-twist.html>

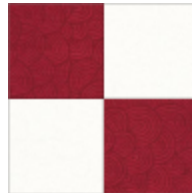
Will make block directions much easier to understand.

Block Choices

Red and White tone on tone

Cut 2: 6" squares out of red tone on tone

Cut 2: 6" squares out of white tone on tone



Black with white and White with black

Cut 2: 6" squares out of black with white print

Cut 2: 6" squares out of white with black



Start with 6 inch squares. Stitch them together to make a four patch block.

Now the fun begins. Instead of vertical and horizontal cutting you need to do diagonal cutting.

Mark 2" from each corner all the way around the block. Mark with what ever color works for you the marks will be in the seam allowance.

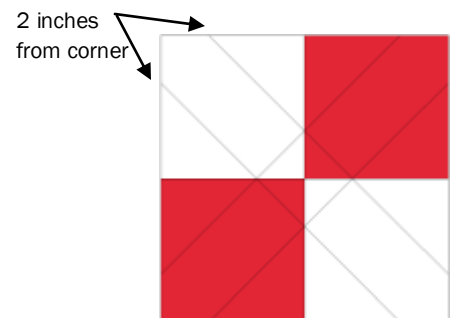
If you have a rotary table that turns, this is the time to use it. If not, cut the blocks in an area you can go all around the block without disturbing the pieces.

Important: Once you make a cut, do not move anything until all cuts are made. You will need to make four cuts.

Cut 1—Take the ruler and line up the top upper left mark with the right hand side bottom mark.

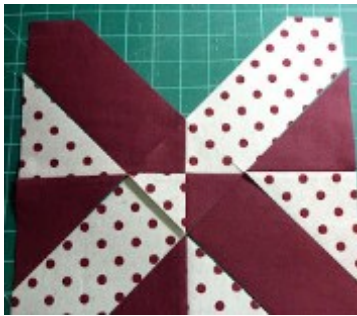
Cut 2—The next cut will be from the left bottom mark to the top right mark. You will need to continue until you have all marks cut.

Make last two cuts.



The magic begins! The next step is to pick up and replace the center edge triangle with the adjoining triangle so that the colors switch sides.

The next step is to give the center square a quarter turn.



To start sewing pieces together, split the block into three sections:

- 1) the top triangle
- 2) the center sashing and
- 3) the bottom triangle

When sewing the three pieces together into the final block make sure **you line up your center seams as the outer edges will not necessarily** match butting those seams together snugly.

Square up your block and trim

I was able to trim to 9 1/2" block.

If you are having trouble check out this tutorial on disappearing 4 patch with a twist

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Monthly Block Party Information:

This is a monthly challenge with a new block pattern each month printed in the newsletter.

There are several ways to participate:

1. You can make the block and bring it to the next meeting. Each month a name is drawn for the winner of the blocks that month. You can only get the number of blocks that people participate that month.
2. If you are like me and never win anything, we have started a group of twelve that make blocks each month. At the end of the year we have a drawing to win one set of 12 blocks. This is a good way to make friends, make something new, and maybe have 12 blocks ready to make a quilt.
3. If you do not want to win blocks, make the block in Red, White and Blue each month to be donated to someone to make Wounded Warrior quilts.
4. You can make the same block to donate to the Ronald McDonald House project.
5. You can also make nine patch blocks to be donated to Project Linus.

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