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## Half Square Triangles-8 at a time!

First, use the chart at the bottom of this page to determine what size squares you need to cut. For each pair of squares you cut, you will get 8 half square triangle units.

Some people mark the center diagonal line and sew $1 / 4$ " on each side of it.
I like to mark my sewing lines-1/4" on each side of the center diagonal. Mark the sewing lines on the back of the lighter fabric (solid black lines in the illustration). I use the Quick Quarter II Ruler to mark these lines, but you can use any quilting ruler with $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ markings.

Sew a scant seam just inside each of the marked lines.
Cut in half on the dotted lines (4 cuts) horizontally, vertically, and diagonally in both directions

Press seams toward the darker fabric


- Trim each half square triangle to exactly the size you need in the "Square up to" row on the chart
- Line the 45 -degree angle line of your square ruler on the seam line to ensure the triangles stay even

Here is a chart to help you make half square triangles 8 at a time in different size

| Finished <br> size | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $1^{\prime \prime}$ | $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $2^{\prime \prime}$ | $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $3^{\prime \prime}$ | $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $4 \prime$ | $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $5^{\prime \prime}$ | $51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $6^{\prime \prime}$ |
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| Cut <br> Squares | $3^{\prime \prime}$ | $4^{\prime \prime}$ | $5^{\prime \prime}$ | $6^{\prime \prime}$ | $7^{\prime \prime}$ | $8^{\prime \prime}$ | $9^{\prime \prime}$ | $10^{\prime \prime}$ | $11^{\prime \prime}$ | $12^{\prime \prime}$ | $13^{\prime \prime}$ | $14^{\prime \prime}$ |
| Square <br> up to <br> (trim) | $1^{\prime \prime}$ | $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $2^{\prime \prime}$ | $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $3^{\prime \prime}$ | $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $4^{\prime \prime}$ | $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $5^{\prime \prime}$ | $51 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | $6^{\prime \prime}$ | $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ |

(Note: finished size is what it will be after you sew it into a block)
You can also determine the size you need to cut with this formula
Finished size you need $\times 2+2$
Want to see how it's done? Watch my YouTube tutorial: https://youtu.be/YFUGQzBzpQg

