

# Bay Area Quilt Guild Scrap Exchange

## General Instructions

1. Use only good quality 100% cotton fabric and thread. Pre-wash all fabric.
2. Seams must be an accurate  $\frac{1}{4}$ " - please measure your own blocks in stages and the completed blocks before turning in.
3. If you choose to make more sets than the minimum required per instructions, each new set must be done in different fabrics. Label each additional pinned group as #2.
4. No duplicates in a pinned group unless stated in the instructions.
5. No IOUs.
6. Press blocks from the back first to make sure seam allowances are going the correct direction, then press the front to check for accuracy of points. Trim all threads and clip nubs. DO NOT trim block or square it up...as this cuts off points.
7. Pin blocks into groups according to the instructions and label each pinned group with your name and phone number. Place labeled pinned groups in a large baggie and label the outside with your name, phone number and the number of pinned groups traded. Remember one pinned group per person goes to the guild.
8. If you stitch blocks to trade together instead of pinning, please use ONLY 2 or 3 large basting stitches. DO NOT stick name labels to blocks, please use pins or basting stitch.

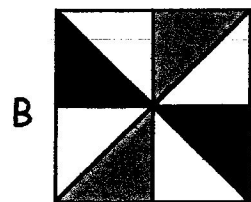
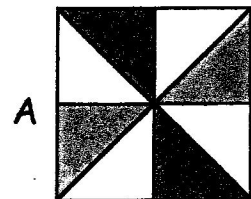
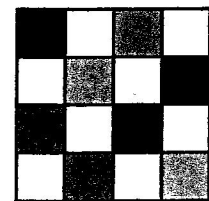
Terminology: SET - all blocks from the same fabric

PINNED GROUPS - one block from each SET for maximum variety - no repeats

## STASH BUSTERS

### Checkerboard / Pinwheels

**BLOCK SIZE:** 8" finished (8 1/2" unf.)  
**DUE DATE:** Tuesday, July 25, 2023, Fabrics Etc box  
**MEETING DATE:** Tuesday, August 1, before Guild meeting  
**NUMBER OF SETS:** 3 different Checkerboard SETs, 1 A Pinwheel SET and 1 B Pinwheel SET- 16 blocks in each SET.  
**PINNED GROUPS TO TRADE:** 16 SETS each consisting of 3 different Checkerboard blocks and one A and one B Pinwheel) 5 blocks in each Pinned Group  
**FABRICS:** BACKGROUND - WHITE ON WHITE, (no color). PRINTS - BRIGHT or Medium/Dark tone on tones for variety in texture. with good contrast when next to WHITES. NO prints with white background  
**FABRICS NOT TO USE:** NO SOLIDS, no floral or large multicolor prints, no pastels.



8" f. (8 1/2" unf.)

Yardage needed:

White on White - approx. 3 1/2 yards total (24 - 2 1/2" strips and four 1/3 yd pieces for HSTs)

Prints - approx. 3 1/2 yards total (24 - 2 1/2" strips and four 1/3 yd pieces for HSTs)

The Sample used 28 different Prints and 8 different Whites. Whites may be repeated in all blocks and Prints may be occasionally repeated.

Please read all instructions carefully before starting. All instructions include a 1/4" seam allowance and strips are cut from selvage to selvage WOF. Do NOT trim blocks.

Checkerboard Instructions for 1 SET (16 blocks): Repeat a total of 3 times with different fabrics. Prints may occasionally be repeated in different sets, but no repeats in a block. Whites may be repeated, please use at least 4 different whites in a block.)

1. Cut the following WOF strips:

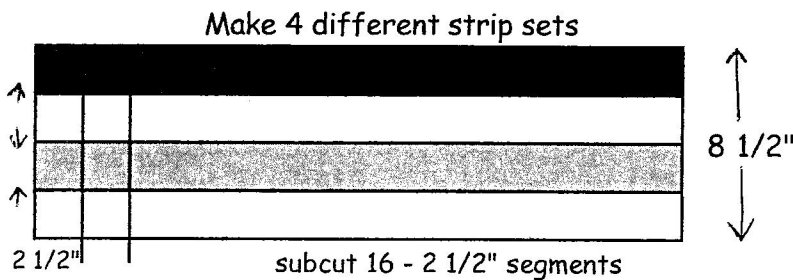
Whites (at least 4 different fabrics) - Cut 8 total - 2 1/2" strips

Prints (8 different fabrics) - Cut 1 - 2 1/2" strips from each for a total of 8 different strips

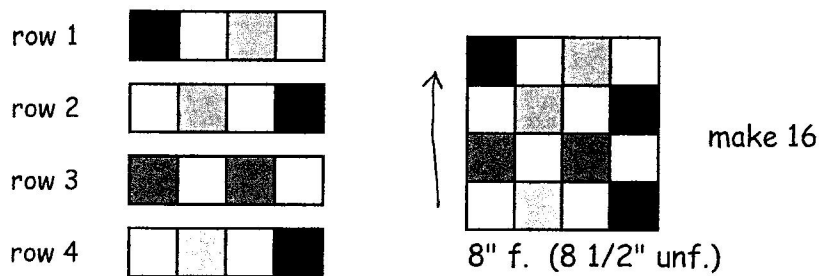
2. Piecing Order:

Make 4 different strip sets each consisting of Print, White, Print, White 2 1/2" strips. Press toward the Print. Each strip set should measure 8 1/2" from raw edge to raw edge once pressed.

Do not trim. Subcut 16 - 2 1/2" segments from each strip set. (Each strip set is one row of the block). There should be no Prints repeated in a block.



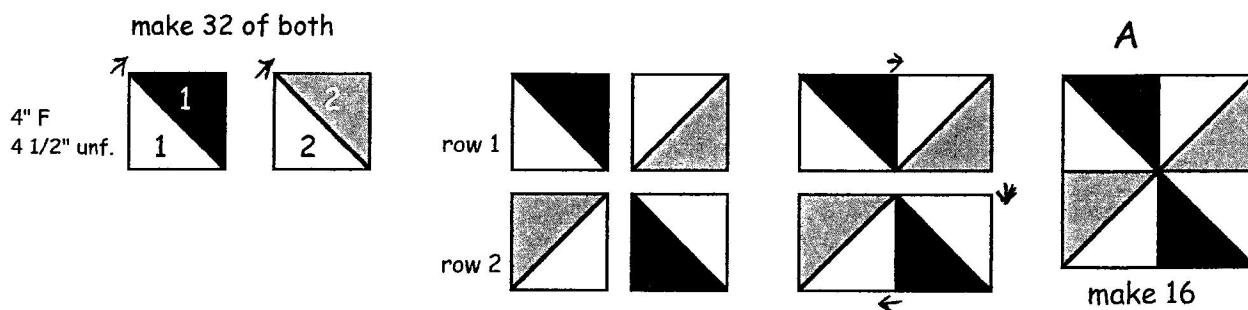
3. Next, sew rows of cut segments together alternating segments according to the diagram. All seams should be opposing for fine points. Make 16 blocks. Press final blocks to one side.



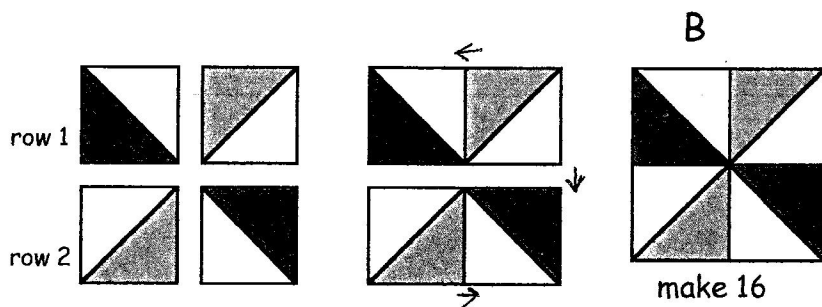
A and B PINWHEEL BLOCK instructions for 1 SET: (16 blocks each). Make one A SET and one B SET. Each SET uses 2 Whites and 2 Prints.

1. Pair WHITE # 1 and PRINT # 1 together and make 32 - 4" finished Half Square Triangles. Use 4" finished Papers On A Roll and follow instructions on papers - Place fabrics right sides together, pin paper in place, shorten stitch length and stitch on the dashed diagonal lines. Cut on the solid lines. Press HSTs toward the Print. Clip tips for clean blocks. (If you don't want to use the papers, cut white and print squares 4 7/8", draw a diagonal line on the backside of the white square, pair fabrics together and stitch 1/4" on both sides of the drawn line. Cut on the diagonal line and press toward the print.)

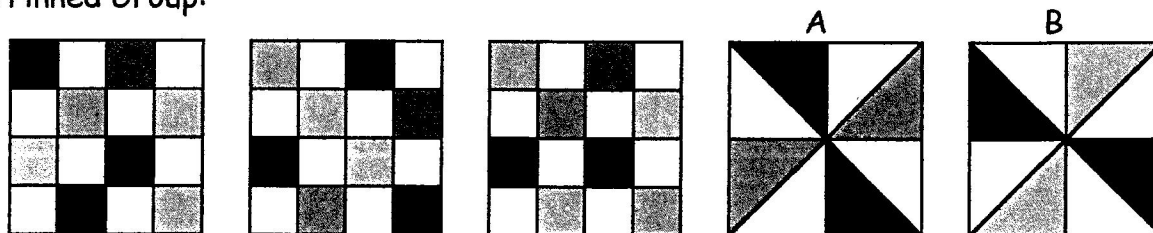
Pair WHITE # 2 and PRINT # 2 together and make 32 - 4" f. HST (follow same directions). Next, sew blocks together by rows according to the drawing. Arrows indicate pressing directions.



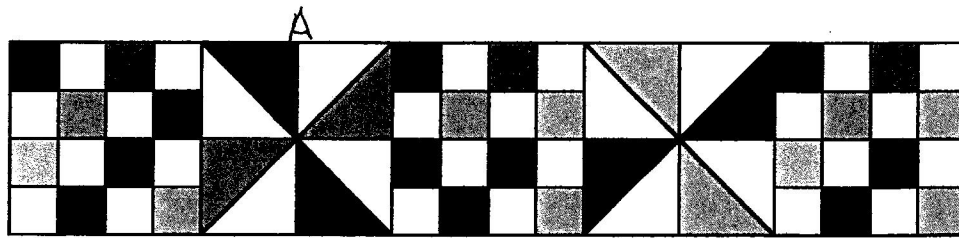
2. Repeat the same instructions but use different fabrics for B Pinwheel. Pay attention to the orientation of the HSTs when sewing blocks together by rows.



One Pinned Group:



Row 1  
Block A



Row 2  
rotate  
checkerboard  
Block B

