

Wheeling and Dealing
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Supplies needed: 2 ½” square ruler

Small mat that can be rotated is helpful

Dark and light strips, cut 2” x WOF [save your medium fabrics for another project]

Sew a light strip to a dark strip, RST, ¼” seam. Press seam to dark. Use spray starch if fabric is limp or old [sometimes older fabrics may have a loose weave].

Working from left side [if you are right handed], line up 2 strip sets right sides up so pressed seams are adjacent. Using 2 ½” square with diagonal line drawn, line up diagonal on seam line and cut the first square.

Be sure to always have the ruler same side up, angle in same direction.

It is more important to cut an accurate 2 1/2” square than have the diagonal line exactly on the seamline.

Assembly of blocks:

Blocks can have light centers or dark centers.

Blocks can be assembled in a Square Dance [fat to center] or Pinwheel [narrow to center].

You can use 4 similar blocks to make the 4” square or 4 different blocks for a scrappier look.

Chain sew squares together in pairs, then two pairs together to for the 4” block. Blocks can then be sewn together in rows and assembled into the finished quilt.