

Fat Quarter Fancy II Quilt Pattern from SewCanShe.com



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FAT QUARTER FANCY II

quilt pattern using fat quarters!

This is Fat Quarter Fancy II. It's another free quilt pattern that uses a very simple block and gives you practically unlimited ways to arrange it.

you want. Each block finishes at 8". I made 80 blocks (10 rows of 8) and my quilt finished at 64" x 80" - almost twin size!

Keep in mind that you can make your Fat Quarter Fancy II quilt as big or small as

Tip: I sewed all of my snowball corners (see below) twice, so I had 160 three inch half square triangle units as a bonus at the end.

Materials

For the 64" x 80" quilt top, you will need:

- 20 fat quarters of print fabric
- 2 1/4 yards of background fabric

You will also need:

- 70" x 88" or larger quilt batting
- 5 yards of backing fabric
- 5/8 yard fabric for the binding

Optional:

- fabric marking pen

Note: you will be able to make 4 blocks per fat quarter, but you will want to use lots different prints for a spectacular effect!

Cutting

From each fat quarter, cut:

- 4 squares 9" x 9" (for a total of 80 squares)

From the background fabric, cut:

- 160 squares 4 1/2" x 4 1/2"

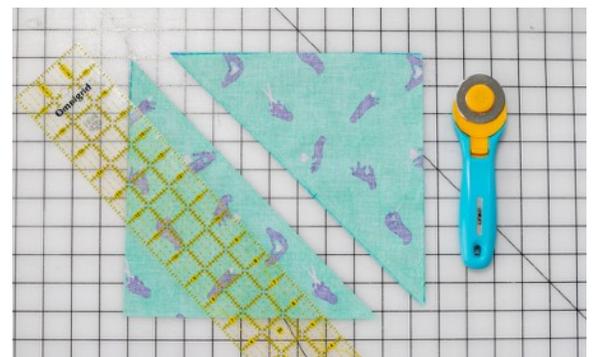
Tip: you will need twice as many 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" background squares as you have HST units.

Start by Making 8 1/2" Half Square Triangles

1. Place two different 9" squares of fabric right sides together.
2. Draw a diagonal line down the center of the fabric on top. This is your **cutting line**. Pin the fabrics together.
3. Sew a diagonal line of stitching on both sides of the line. Each line of stitching should be a scant 1/4" away from the line.

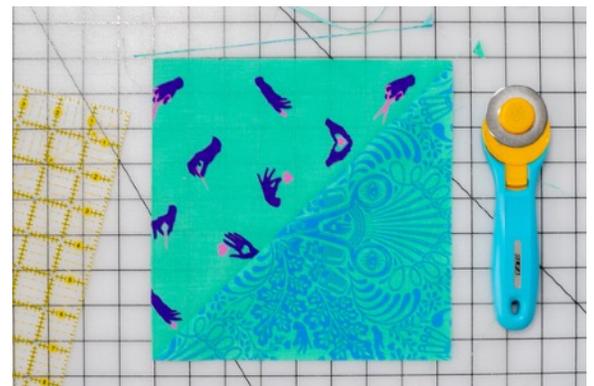


4. Cut along the marked cutting line - right in between the two stitched lines.



5. Press the half square triangles open. Trim them to 8 1/2" square.

Repeat until you have 80 half square triangle units that are 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" (or as many as you would like).



Add Snowball Corners to the HST Units

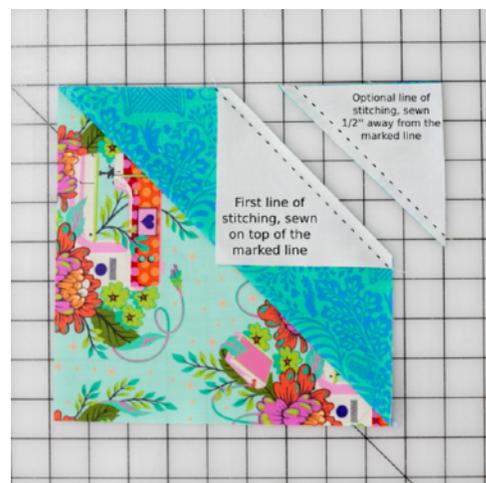
1. Mark a diagonal line down the center of all of the 4 1/2" background squares. This time, the marked line is your **stitching line**.

Tip: you may use the fabric marking pen or fold each square in half diagonally and press lightly. In this case, the crease will be your marked line (that's what I did).



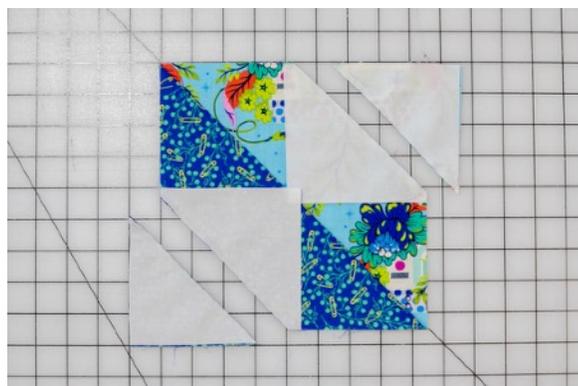
2. Place a 4 1/2" background fabric square against the right side of one of the 8 1/2" HST squares, lined up with a corner **that does not have a seam**. Sew a line of stitching, sewing right on top of the diagonal marked line

OPTIONAL: If you wish to make EXTRA half square triangle units to use in a future project, sew another line of stitching 1/2" away from the first line as seen in the photo to the right.



3. Sew a second background square to the opposite corner of the 8 1/2" HST in the same way. Make sure your background squares are sewn to the corners that do not have a seam running down the middle.

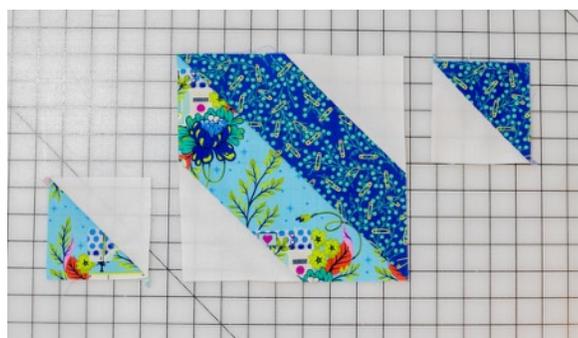
4. Cut off each corner 1/4" past the marked line with stitching sewn down it. If you decided to sew extra lines of stitching 1/2" away from the marked line, then cut right down the middle of the two stitched lines.

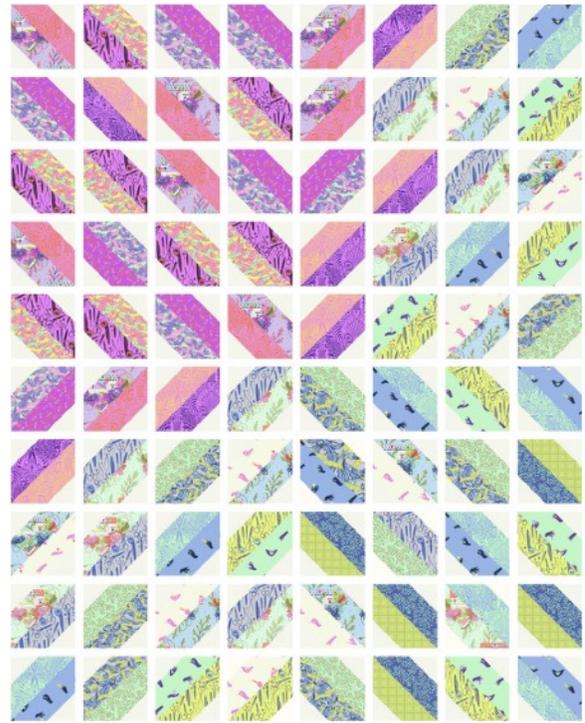
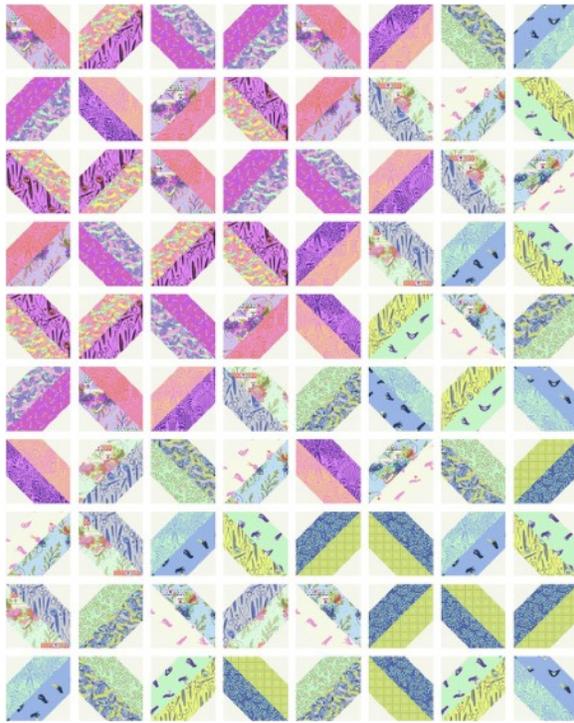


5. Press the seams on each 8 1/2" block toward the darker fabrics.

If you made extra HST units, press them open too.

Repeat until you have 80 blocks, or your desired amount.





Sew the Blocks Together and Finish your Quilt

1. Arrange the blocks in your desired pattern. There are so many different ways to arrange your blocks! I shared two different ways using diagrams above.

2. Sew the blocks into rows and then sew the rows together.

3. Sandwich the quilt top and backing with the batting in between. I used [SpraynBond](#) basting spray to hold them together.

4. Quilt as desired. I quilted straight lines about 1/4" apart using my [walking foot](#).

Trim the extra backing and batting away.



5. Cut the binding fabric into 2 1/2" strips and join them with diagonal seams. Attach the binding using your preferred method.

Here is [my favorite way to sew on quilt binding](#) without any hand sewing.

