

# Start with a Square

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The focus of this class is to design your own blocks from the basic block pattern. That means that fabric requirements are difficult to define. I have made a series of these quilts so will share my thoughts on fabric selection.

The first quilt I started with bright solid centers and white with black and black with white prints. Then I used bright mostly batiks, to separate sections of the blocks. I used lots of different fabrics in this quilt.

Quilt #2 uses green centers and yellow and brown around the outside with orange to separate the block. As I recall, I used each fabric in two blocks.



Quilt # 3 used golds and strong yellows and dark blues with orange to separate the blocks



I cut my block fabric in 3 ½” strips. Plan one strip per outside of block. (Cut some strips before class if you wish.

Because the blocks are trimmed after you cut them apart and sew them back together, I can't even tell you the finished block size, so gather some fabric making sure you have some contrast and think scrappy.

Bring your sense of adventure to class.

Sewing machine

Basic sewing and rotary cutting supplies

You will be happy if you bring your 9” square rotary ruler.