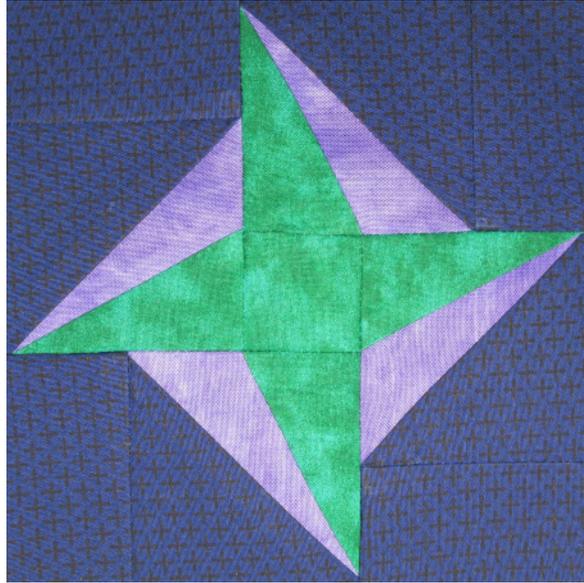


Skyfall Block of the Month #33



Block Size: 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

The **Corner Beam** tool is required for this block. This tool is available at my online store at www.KathieBeltzQuiltDesigns.com or at your local quilt shop.

Cutting Instructions:

From Purple Fabric, cut 2 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

From Green Fabric:

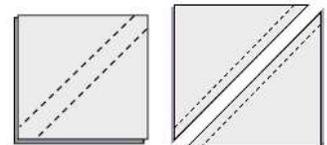
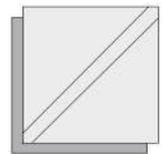
- cut 1 strip 3" x 6"
- cut 1 square 1 1/2" x 1 1/2"

From Dark Blue Fabric:

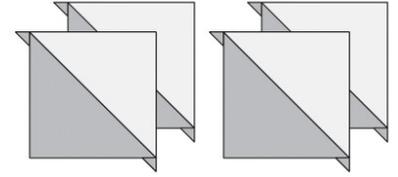
- cut 2 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"
- cut 4 rectangles 1 1/2" x 2 1/2"

Construction:

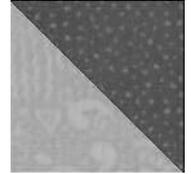
- On the wrong side of the two Purple 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" squares, mark two stitching lines 1/4" on either side of a center diagonal line. (Use your Quilter's Magic Wand if you have one!)
- With one Purple square and one Dark Blue 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" square right sides together, stitch on the lines, then cut down the middle. Repeat with the other Purple square and Dark Blue square.



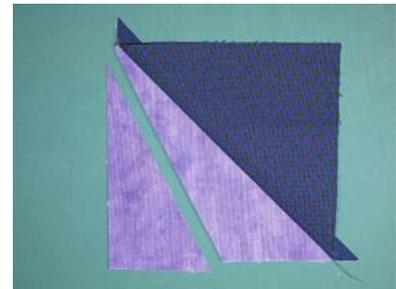
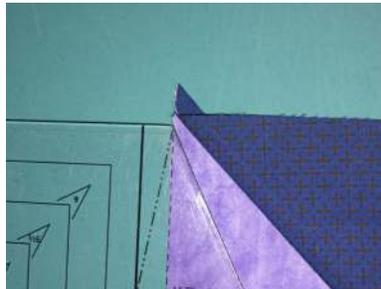
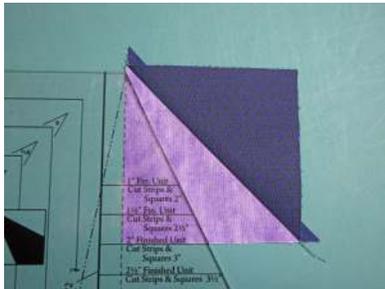
- Press seams toward the Dark Blue fabric on all four blocks.
- Do not trim the half-square triangle blocks.



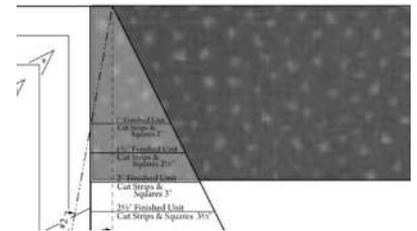
- Position the half-square triangle block **right side up** as shown, with the Purple half on the lower left, and the Dark Blue on the upper right.



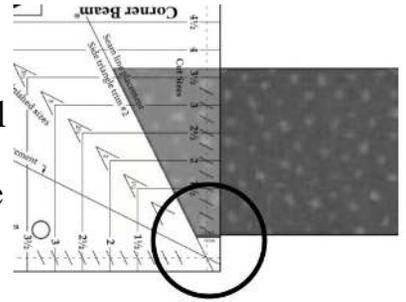
- Locate the **dashed line** labeled *Center Beam Trim #1* on the Corner Beam tool. Position this dashed line on the left of the Purple fabric, and the **2" Finished Unit** line on the bottom of the Purple fabric. Note that there will be a small gap between the edge of the ruler and the sew seam. Cut along the angled edge. Discard the trimmed triangle. Make the same cut to all four blocks.



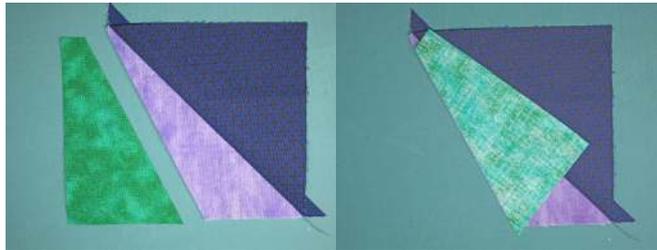
- Lay out the 3" x 6" Green strip **right side up**. Locate the **solid thick line** labeled *Side triangles trim #1* on the tool. Position this thick line on the left side of the strip, while at the same time position the line of the tool marked **2" Finished Unit/Cut Strips & Squares 3"** with the bottom edge of the strip. Trim along the slanted edge of the tool to create the first triangle shape.
- Rotate the tool one quarter turn counterclockwise.



- Locate the line labeled *Side triangles trim #2*. This is a shared line with one of the Seam line placement lines for the sewn unit. Then locate the **short, thick line** near the square corner of the tool that is labeled *Second trim*. Position that line at the bottom edge of the strip, and the *Side triangles trim #2* line along the left edge of the strip. Make your second cut along the straight, longest edge of the tool. This will create the second triangle shape.



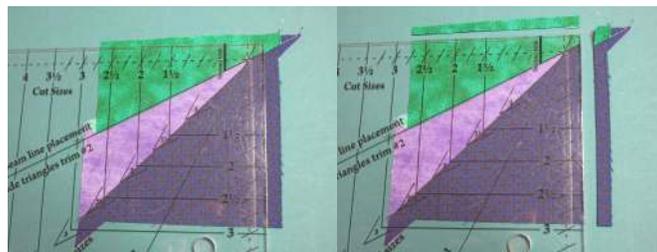
- Rotate the tool back one quarter turn clockwise, line up the *Side triangles trim #1* line on the straight, left edge, and repeat the cut along the slanted edge as before. Continue cutting, rotating, and positioning until you have 4 side triangles from the Green fabric.
- Position the Green side triangles you just cut right sides together over the corner that was cut away from the Half Square Triangle block. Line up the raw edges, and scoot the Green triangle 1/8" to 1/4" down from the Purple pointy end.



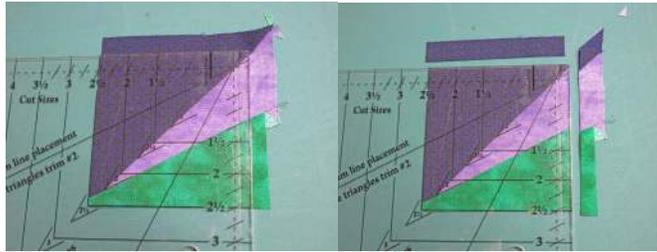
- Stitch the side triangle to the block. Press the seam toward the Green Side Triangle.



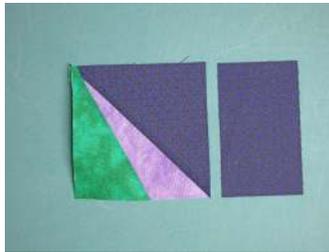
- Trim the block to 2 1/2" square. Place the block right side up with the pointy end in the upper right corner. Using the Corner Beam tool, position the *Seam Line Placement* line on the upper seam, with the intersection of the other *Seam Line Placement/Side Triangles Trim #2* line at the tip of the point. The "V"s with the numbers in them should line up with the lower seam line. Trim the first two sides.



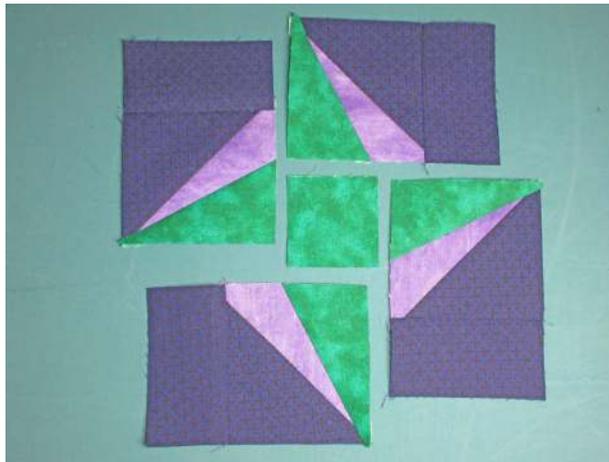
- Rotate the block 180 degrees. Align the 2 ½" square lines with the two sides that were just trimmed, then align the points of the “V”s with the upper seam. Trim the other two sides.



- Repeat trim for all four blocks.
- Lay out a Dark Blue rectangle with one of the Sliver units as shown, and sew them right sides together. Make sure the Sliver unit is in the correct orientation as shown.



- Lay out the four pairs that were just pieced and the Green square as shown in the photo.



- Sew one of the Sliver/rectangle pairs to the center Green square with a partial seam, approximately 1/2 the width of the square. Press the partial seam away from the square.



- Sew a second Sliver/rectangle pair along the edge created by the first pair and square. Press away from the square.



- Sew the third and fourth Sliver/rectangle pair along the edge created by the other pieces, adding to each side of the center Green square. Press each seam away from the square.
- Sew the partial seam closed between the first and fourth pieces to complete the block. Press the seam away from the square.

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