

Tulip Swirl (12½" unfinished)

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All seam allowances should be a scant quarter-inch. Fabrics may be solids, tone-on-tones, batiks, or prints. NEUTRAL fabrics include whites, creams, very pale beiges, and very pale greys. SPRING fabrics may be any print or colour that brings to mind that season.

Fabric Requirements

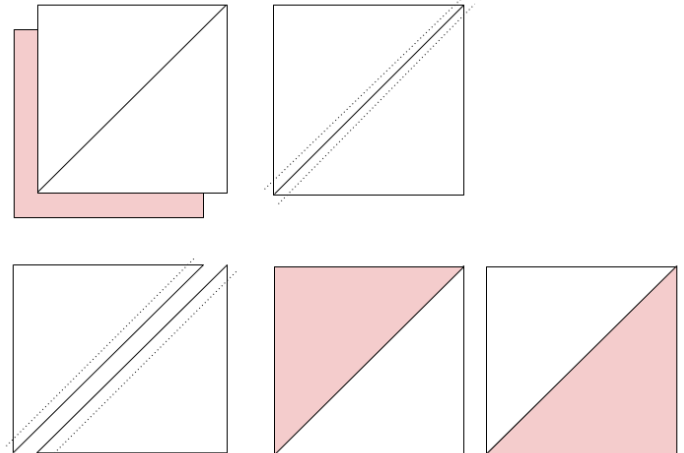
- (4) 3½" x 3½" squares of NEUTRAL fabric
- (4) 4" x 4" squares of NEUTRAL fabric

Select (4) SPRING fabrics, and from each cut:

- (1) 3½" x 3½" square
- (1) 4" x 4" square

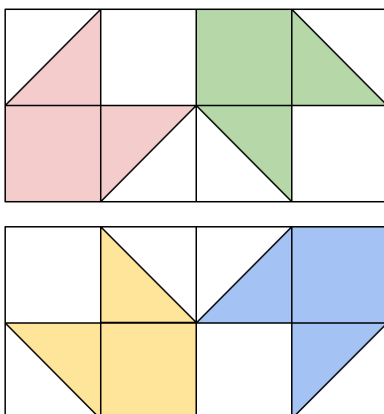
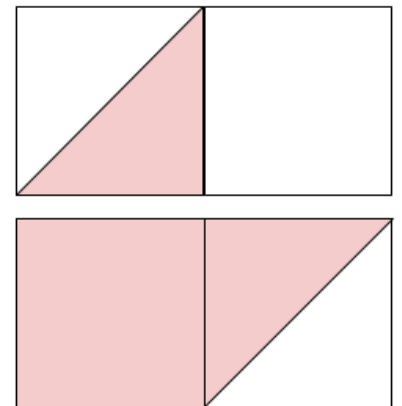
Half-Square-Triangle Units (HST)

1. Mark a diagonal line on the back of a 4" NEUTRAL square.
2. Place the marked square on a 4" SPRING square, right-sides together (RST). Align the edges, pin in place, and sew a seam ¼" from the drawn line on each side of the drawn line.
3. Press the unopened unit to set the seams.
4. Cut along the drawn line.
5. Open each HST and press the seam allowances toward the SPRING square.
6. Square and trim each HST to 3½" x 3½".



Tulip Unit

7. Gather your HSTs, a **matching** SPRING 3½" x 3½" square, and a NEUTRAL 3½" x 3½" square.
8. Arrange them as shown.
9. Sew the units in each row together.
10. Press to set the seams before opening, and then press the seam allowances away from the HST units.
11. Sew the rows together, nesting the seams for accuracy.
12. Press to set the seams before opening, and then press the seam allowances toward the SPRING square.
13. Repeat steps 1-12 with your other SPRING fabrics.



Final Assembly

1. Arrange your Tulip Units as shown.
2. Sew the Tulips in each row together.
3. Press to set the seams before opening, and then press the seam allowances toward the SPRING square.
4. Sew the rows together, nesting the seams for accuracy.
5. Press to set the seams before opening, and then press the seam allowances in the direction of your choice
– **OR – Try spinning your seams to reduce bulk!**