

Simple Path and Stiles Block (9½" unfinished)

due September 2023

All seam allowances should be a scant quarter-inch.

Fabric requirements

NEUTRAL = white or cream, solid or tone-on-tone.

→ not beige ←

- (2) 4" squares
- (2) 1½" x 14" strips

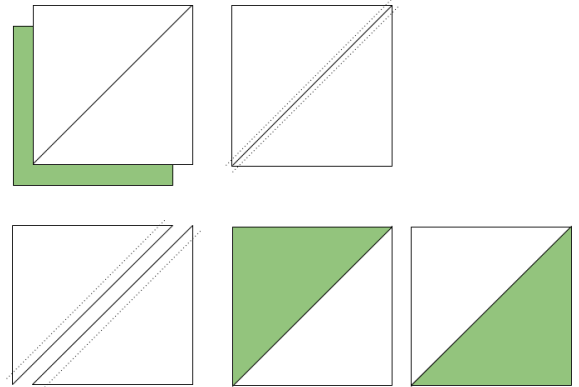
FOCUS = Autumn colours - especially leaves!

- (1) 3½" square
- (2) 4" squares
- (1) 1½" x 14" strip

Half-Square-Triangle Units (HST)

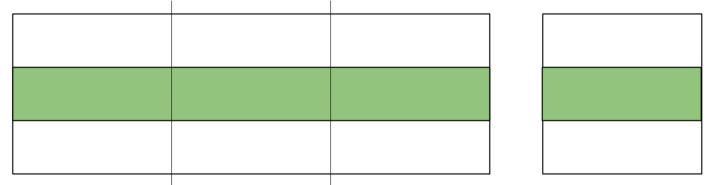
Use your favourite method to make four FOCUS & NEUTRAL HSTs or use this common 2-at-a-time method.

1. Mark a diagonal line on the back of a 4" NEUTRAL square.
2. Place the marked square on a 4" FOCUS 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 FOCUS.
6. Square and trim each HST to 3½" x 3½".
7. Repeat Steps 1-6 with the other 4" NEUTRAL and FOCUS squares.



Rail Fence (Rail) Units

1. Sew the three 1½" strips together so that they alternate NEUTRAL-FOCUS-NEUTRAL. Press the unopened strips to set the seams; then press the seam allowances toward the FOCUS.
2. The resulting strip set should be 3½" wide. Adjust your seam allowance, if necessary, to achieve this.
3. Sub-cut the strip set into four 3½" squares.



Block Assembly

1. Arrange your nine units as shown in the illustration.
2. Sew the units in each row together.
3. Press to set the seams before opening, and then press the seam allowances toward the Rail units.
4. Sew the rows together, nesting the seams for accuracy.
5. Press to set the seams before opening, and then press the seam allowances toward the center row.

