

## Block of The Month 2024: Block #5

Hello all. The May block is called Mosaic #10. This is our first of four blocks made entirely from half square triangles (HSTs). For this block, we need the focus fabric, a white fabric, a light, and a dark coordinating fabric. Remember, all our blocks end up 12.5" X 12.5" (a 12" finished block.) This block is due at the June meeting.

There is a link to the YouTube video instructions below or go to our channel at: <https://www.youtube.com/@Blockheadsquilt>

### Cut list -- For one block

**Focus Fabric: One 4" square**

**White: Six 4" squares**

**Light Coord. Fabric: Eight 4" squares**

**Dark Coord. Fabric: One 4" square**

**Assembling the block: Use a quarter inch seam.**

### Make half square triangles (HSTs):

- Pair up a light coordinating square with each of the other squares. Draw a line on one diagonal with a pencil or other fabric marking tool, on the lighter colored fabric of each pair. (Photo 2) Sew a seam  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from either side of this line. Cut apart on the diagonal line. (Photo 3) Press the seams open. (Photo 4) Trim each new square to 3.5". To do this, use a ruler with a 45° line. Place the 45° line on the center seam and trim off flags and extra fabric. (Photo 5 -ignore the size of this block – it's just an example.)
- Arrange HSTs as shown in final block. I like to start with the middle. Arrange the four pieces with dark coordinating fabric and focus fabric. Place the light coordinating triangles so they point together in the middle. Have the matching focus and dark coordinating triangles on opposite corners. Next, four white and light coordinating are put in the outer corners with the light coordinating facing out and the white facing in. The remaining white and light coordinating are placed so they make  $\frac{3}{4}$ 's of a square around the dark coordinating and focus fabric triangles.
- Sew the horizontal rows together. Alternate the direction you press each of the rows. These rows should be 3.5" wide and 12.5" long.
- Sew the four rows together, the seams should nest. Press.
- Finished block should be 12½" X 12½".

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Photos 2

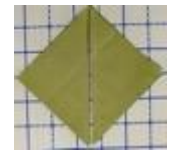


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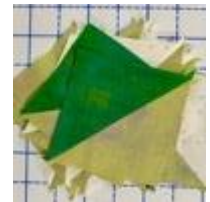


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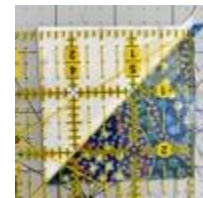


Photo 5



Photo 6



Link to video on  
HST's



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