

## Grand Country Quilters Summer Mystery Quilt 2020

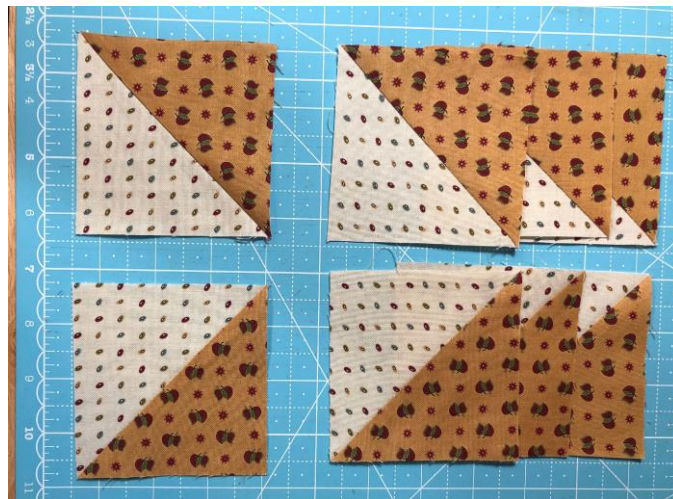
### Week #3 Half Square Triangles (HST)

We're making Half Square Triangles this week! The designs that can be made using "half-square triangle" (HST) blocks are limitless...this Mystery Quilt will use a couple of those designs. This week we will make a "Friendship Star" block from some of the HST you make – the remaining HST will be used in the coming weeks.



#### **HALF SQUARE TRIANGLES – 3 ½" X 3 ½" – MAKE 8**

- Collect the Gold "Leaves" 4 @ 4" x 4" and the Light 4 @ 4" x 4" squares.
- Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the wrong side of the light square.
- Place one Gold and one Light square "right-sides together" ...pin if needed to prevent slipping.
- Stitch ¼" seam on both sides of the line.
- Cut on the drawn line.
- Press to the Gold.
- Trim 3 ½" x 3 ½".
- Make 8 and put in a baggie to save for week 6.



#### **HALF SQUARE TRIANGLES – 2" X 2" – MAKE 144**

- Collect the Gold 72 @ 2 ½" x 2 ½" and the Light 72 @ 2 ½" x 2 ½" squares.
- REPEAT the above steps to make 144 HST.
- Trim 2" x 2".
- Put 32 of them in a baggie and save for week 8.
- Grab the 112 remaining HST and let's make those stars!



### **FRIENDSHIP STAR BLOCKS – 5" X 5" – MAKE 28**

- Collect the 112 @ 2" x 2" HST, the Gold 28 @ 2" x 2", and the Light 2" x 2" you'll just need 112.
- Each Star is made using 4 HST, 1 Gold square and 4 Light squares.

TIP - Layout a Star block following the photo. Refer to this layout – it will help you see the correct angle of the HST....check this often - it's really easy to sew it in the wrong direction.

- Sew a 2" x 2" Light square on each side of the HST.
- Press to the Light squares.
- Make 56 (2" x 5").
- Sew a HST on each side of the 2" x 2" Gold square.
- Press to the Gold square.
- Make 28 (2" x 5")

Sew these units together to make the 28 Friendship Star blocks.

- Press to the center unit.
- Trim 5" x 5".

Stay inside this week and look at the "Stars" you just made!

Until next Saturday!

Enjoy! Karen Wittmeyer

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