

Grand Country Quilters Summer Mystery Quilt 2020

Week #4

Shaded Four Patch Blocks

This week we will be making Shaded Four Patch Blocks. We will be using a very clever method to construct these blocks. This technique yields two blocks at a time, it's easier and more accurate...what's not to love?

Please Note: There are three different color combos and different amounts for each...so keep your thinking cap on as you put your "parts" together.

FOR EACH SHADED FOUR PATCH SET YOU WILL NEED;

- Two @ 2" x 2" Red or Green squares
- Two @ 2" x 3" Light rectangles
- One @ 3 1/2" x 4 1/2" Red or Green rectangle

This will yield **two** Shaded Four Patch Blocks!

Let's begin with dividing the groupings; ...

Red Square with Green Triangle – make 4

- RED – 4 @ 2" X 2"
- LIGHT – 4 @ 2" X 3"
- GREEN – 2 @ 3 1/2" X 4 1/2"

Green Square with Green Triangle- make 12

- GREEN – 12 @ 2" X 2"
- LIGHT – 12 @ 2" X 3"
- GREEN – 6 @ 3 1/2" X 4 1/2"

Red Square with Red Triangle – make 16

- RED – 16 @ 2" X 2"
- LIGHT – 16 @ 2" X 3"
- RED – 8 @ 3 1/2" X 4 1/2"



TO MAKE A SHADED FOUR PATCH BLOCK

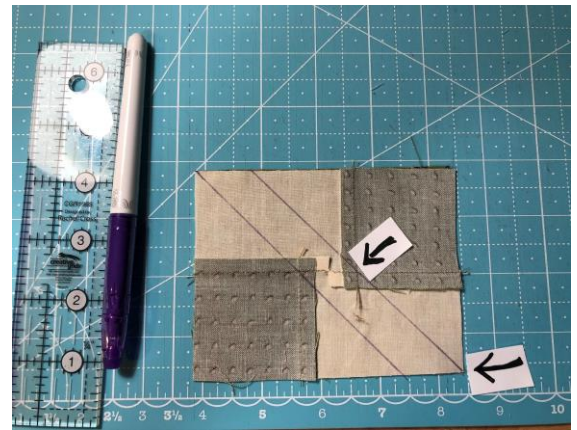
Following the "recipe" above – collect the 2" squares of Red or Green, 2" x 3" Light rectangles and 3 1/2" x 4 1/2" Red or Green rectangle and make the number of blocks listed.

Follow these steps to make each Shaded Four Patch "set"

- Sew the 2" square to the light rectangle
- Press to the light
- Sew the two strips together
- CLIP the seam between the 2" squares all the way to the stitch line. (indicated by arrow) NOTE: if you don't clip deep enough you will have a bump in the seam...they need to lay flat.
- Press to the light.



- Marking the “Stitching Line”
 - Use your ruler to align the corner with the “stitched” corner (indicated by the arrows)
 - Draw a line connecting these points as shown.
 - Repeat steps – marking the two stitching lines.
- Place this unit “right sides together” with the 3 ½” x 4 ½” rectangle (Red or Green)
- Pin in place.
- Stitch on the lines.
- Cut between the two stitched lines.
- Press to the triangle.
- Trim 3 ½” x 3 ½”



TA-DA! I told you it was a clever method – just wait until we pop this into the Mystery Quilt....
Just a Reminder - Don't worry if you have leftover “parts” ...we will use them eventually.

Stay Safe and stay home and sew! We worry about you!
 Until next Saturday!
 Enjoy! Karen Wittmeyer

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