

MOUNTAIN TOP QUILTERS GUILD

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From background fabric cut:

two 4 7/8" squares, each subcut on ONE diagonal to create 4 half square triangles

one 5 1/4" square, subcut on BOTH diagonals to create 4 quarter square triangles

From each of 4 contrasting colors cut:

one 4 7/8" square, subcut on ONE diagonal to create 2 half square triangles per color

one 5 1/4" square, subcut on BOTH diagonals to create 4 quarter square triangles per color (you will only use 2 of each color - save the others for another block)

IMPORTANT - Begin by laying out all of your pieces right side up per the diagram.

Top Row:

1. Starting with the center unit of the top row sew together the quarter square triangles with right sides together (RST). Press away from the background triangle. Trim off dog ears.
2. With RST sew the piece made in step 1 together with the remaining triangle for the center unit along the long edge. Press seam away from the background. Trim off dog ears.
3. With RST sew each top row corner unit's half square triangles together along the long edges. Press seam toward the background. Trim off dog ears.
4. Sew top row units together. Press seams toward the center unit.

Middle row:

5. With RST sew the quarter square triangles of each of the outside units together. Press seam away from the background fabric. Trim off dog ears.
6. With RST sew the pieces made in step 5 together with the remaining triangle for each outside unit along the long edge. Press seam toward background fabric. Trim dog ears.
7. With RST sew the left and bottom quarter square triangles of the center unit together. Press seam toward the left triangle. Trim off dog ears.
8. With RST sew the upper and right quarter square triangles of the center unit together. Press seam toward the right triangle. Trim off dog ears.
9. With RST sew triangles made in steps 7 and 8 together along the long edge.
10. Sew middle row units together. Press seams toward the outside.
11. Sew top row to middle row. Press seam open.

Bottom row:

12. With RST sew the quarter square triangles of the center unit together. Press away from the background fabric. Trim off dog ears.
13. With RST sew the piece made in step 12 together with the remaining triangle for the center unit along the long edge. Press seam toward background. Trim off dog ears.
14. With RST sew each bottom row corner unit's half square triangles together along the long edges. Press seams toward background. Trim off dog ears.
15. Sew bottom row units together. Press seams toward center unit.
16. Sew bottom row to middle row.

