


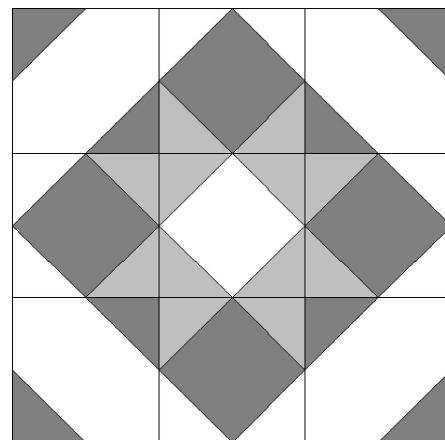


Variation Based on Kansas City Star

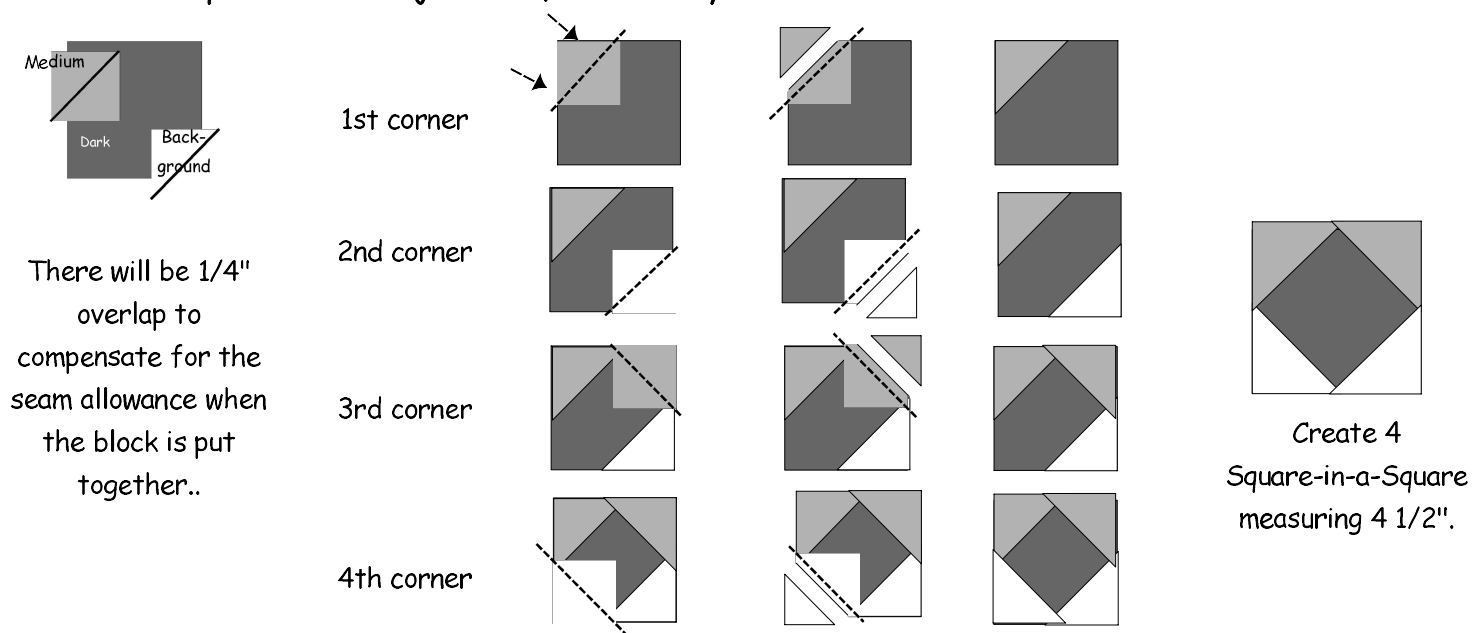
You'll need the following:

-  Background
 - 4 1/2" square - 5
 - 2 1/2" squares - 8
-  Medium
 - 2 1/2" squares - 12
- Dark**
 -  2 1/2" squares - 8
 - 4 1/2" squares - 4

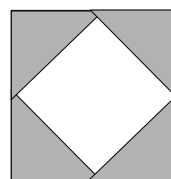
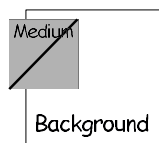


Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of 12 Medium 2 1/2" squares and 8 Background 2 1/2" squares (set aside 4 Medium squares until the next step). *(You can also just iron the squares on the diagonal to create the line.)* Layer a Medium square on the corner of the Dark 4 1/2" square, right sides together, as shown in the diagram. Sew on the diagonal line. Trim 1/4" from the line toward the outside corner. Press the seam allowance toward the outside. Repeat on the opposite corner with a Background square. Then repeat on the remaining two corners to create your "Square in a Square unit" measuring 4 1/2".

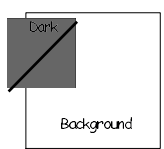
*****NOTE***** Be sure the Medium & Background squares lines up perfectly in the corners of the Dark square - make adjustments, if necessary.



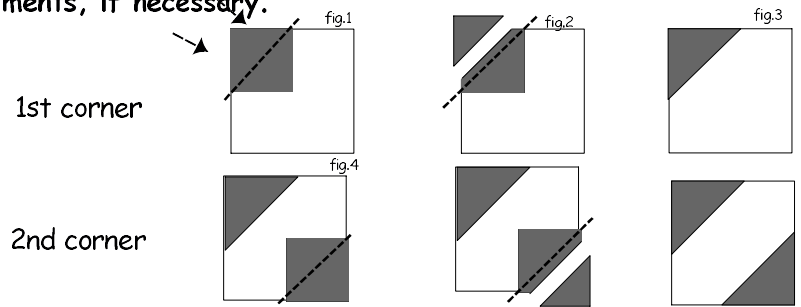
Repeat the process using the 4 Medium 2 1/2" squares and 1 Background 4 1/2" squares. Create 1 Square-in-a-Square unit measuring 4 1/2".



Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of 8 Dark 2 1/2" squares. (You can also just iron the squares on the diagonal to create the line.) Layer a Dark square on the corner of the Background 4 1/2" square, right sides together, as shown in the diagram (fig.1). Sew on the diagonal line. Trim 1/4" from the line toward the outside corner (fig.2). Press the seam allowance toward the outside (fig.3). Repeat on the opposite corner with remaining Dark squares (fig.4). Create 4 units measuring 4 1/2".



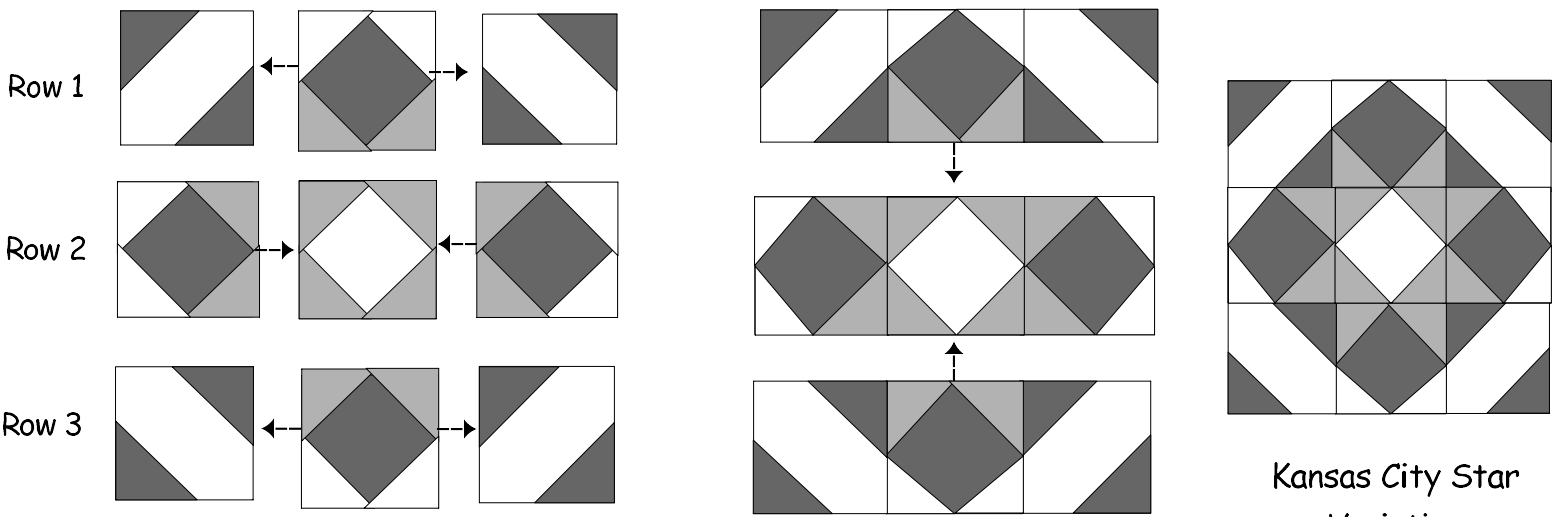
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There will be 1/4" overlap to compensate for the seam allowance when the block is put together.

Create 4 measuring 4 1/2".

Sew the units into rows. Pay close attention to the orientation of each unit. Press the seam allowance in the direction of the arrows. The rows should measure 4 1/2" x 12 1/2". Sew the rows together to create your block, measuring 12 1/2". Press the seam allowance in the direction of the arrows.



Kansas City Star Variation
12 1/2" square

By changing color placement, you can create a "sampler" style quilt with just one block!

