

MAY- Pinwheels and Four Patches

Source: May- Pinwheels and Four Patches- You can find pinwheel illustrations under Basic Pinwheel, delawarequilts.com

This month's block will consist of two 6" pinwheels and two 6" four patches sewn together to make a 12-1/2" block.

Materials: Bedrock Cloud Fabric
Scraps of two or four different pastel fabrics

To Prepare:

The Four Patch-

- ~Cut four 3 1/2" squares of your chosen pastel fabric.
- ~Cut four 3 1/2" squares of the Bedrock Cloud fabric.

The Pinwheel-

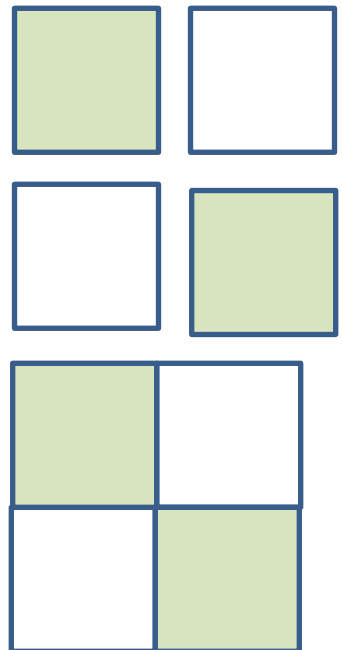
- ~Cut four 4" squares of Bedrock Cloud.
- ~Cut four 4" squares of your pastel fabric.

Construction:

For the Two Four Patches-

- ~Sew a BC square to a pastel square. Press seam toward the Pastel.
- ~Repeat this process, so you have two BC/Pastel rectangles

- ~Arrange the two rows in a checkerboard fashion, and stitch together, creating the four patch.
- ~ Repeat this process so you have two four patch units.
- ~ Set aside while making the pinwheels.

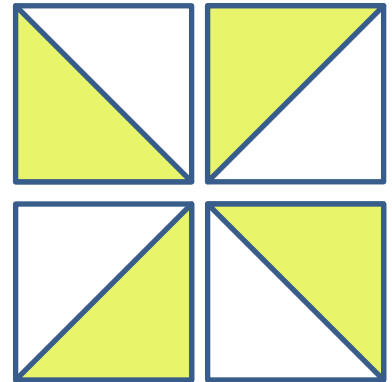


For the Two Pinwheels-

You will be making eight half-square triangles (HST), four per pinwheel. You may refer to the General Instructions / Accuracy pages for details and illustrations.

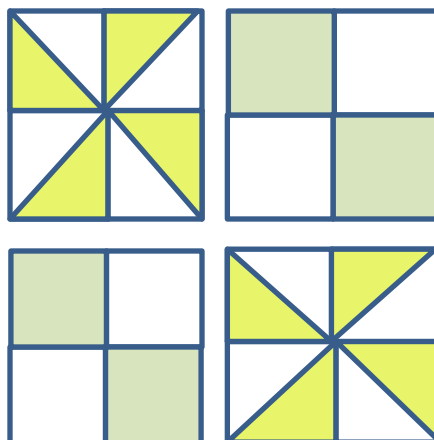
- ~Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the BC 4" squares.
- ~Place the BC and the Pastel 4" squares right sides together and stitch a line $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the drawn line. Do this on both sides of the drawn line.
- ~Cut the squares in half on the drawn cutting lines.
- ~Trim to 3- $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares, aligning the diagonal with the ruler diagonal.
- ~ Your half square triangles should measure 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ " each, and you should have a total of eight.

~Sew them together in pairs that look like the illustration, and then sew the two together to complete the pinwheel block. Be careful of the orientation, or blocks will not all be the same.



~Now it's time to join the two four patch blocks and the two pinwheel blocks. Following the illustration, join a four patch to a pinwheel. Be careful of the orientation, so the white squares are in the opposite corners of the four-patches. Repeat this so you have two rows.

~Stitch the two rows together to create the 12- $\frac{1}{2}$ " Four Patch Pinwheel Block.



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