



Week 21

Economy Block

6" and 12"



Welcome to our Sew a long for 2020 and thank you for joining us

Each week we will be posting a free PDF pattern and tutorial the block for the week. You can make it as a 6" block or 12" block (finished) or make both of course.

We would love to see what you are making so please feel free to post your photo's on Facebook and Instagram using the hashtag #dq52sewalong .

Note: all seam allowances are 1/4" unless other wise stated



<u>Cutting Instructions</u>		6"	12"
Centre Square	1	3 1/2" square	3 1/2" square
Fabric 1	2	3 1/4" squares	3 1/4" squares
Fabric 2	2	4 1/4" squares	4 1/4" squares
Fabric 3	2		5 1/2" squares
Fabric 4	2		7 1/4" squares

Cut all the Fabric 1 – 4 squares in half diagonally

This week we are going to make the 6" block for both sizes. What I mean is that the 6" block is made up to Fabric 1 & 2 and you can stop there for this size.

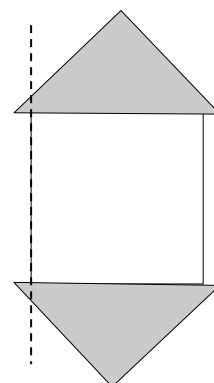
But the 12" block is made with Fabrics 1 – 4 – so you are actually making the 6" block and then adding on two extra rounds – Fabric 3 & 4 - to make the 12" size.

Pressing and trimming accurately will really help make this an easy block to make. Don't worry though as each round is a bit bigger than you need so you have a little bit of wiggle room.

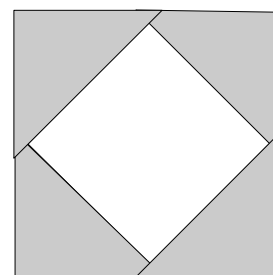
Piecing Instructions

1. Centre the Fabric 1 triangle, long edge, on the centre square. The triangle edges will hang over the edge of square.

Note: to find the middle of the triangle, fold in half along the long edge and make a crease. Do the same on all four sides of the Centre Square. This makes it easier to centre the triangle on the centre square. You will do this with all the triangles in each round. Sew on to the centre square. Trim off the edges of the triangle, back to the Centre Square

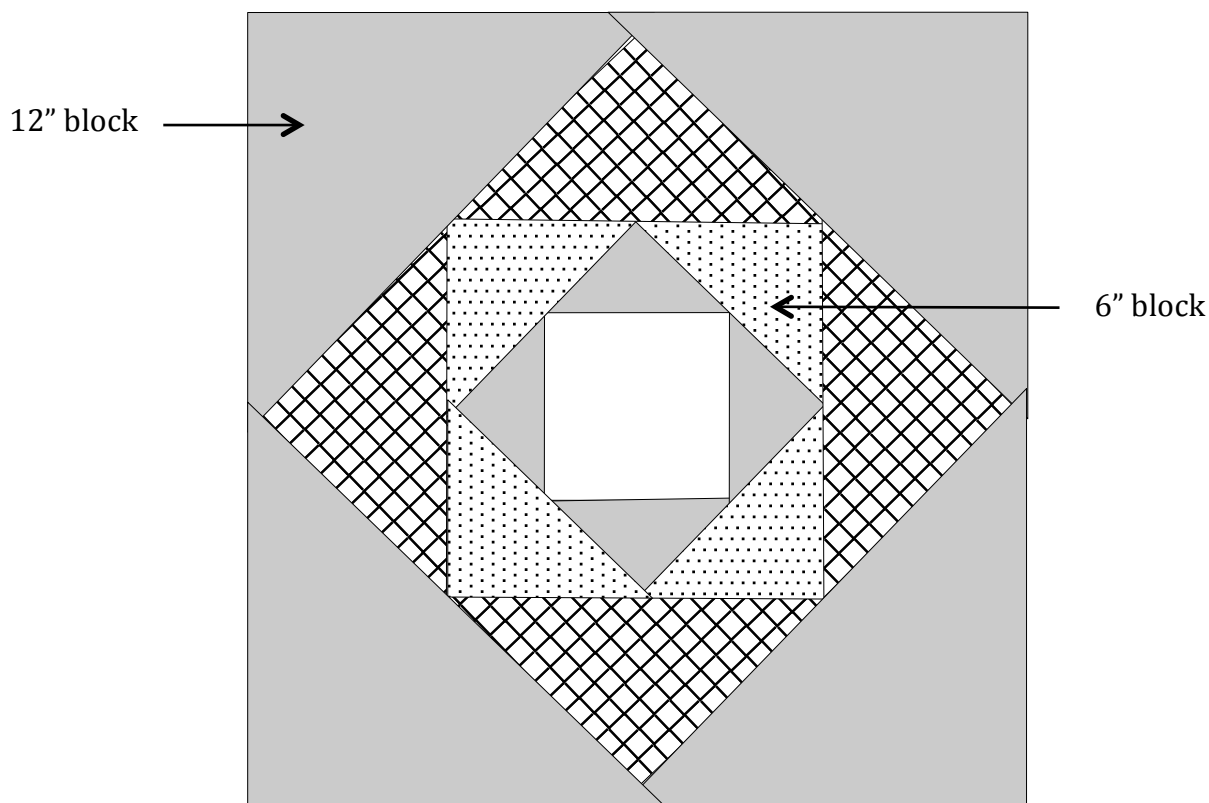


2. Repeat with the remaining Fabric 1 triangles and sew to the other side of the centre square. Press well. Trim the block back to $4 \frac{3}{4}$ " x $4 \frac{3}{4}$ ". Trim all four sides, taking care to make sure you have $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance at each point.



3. Now repeat with Fabric 2 triangles and add to this block – exactly the same as you have just done in Step 1 & 2. Once you have the four triangles on, press well. Taking care to trim all four sides and trim back to $6 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $6 \frac{1}{2}$ ".

You will stop here if you are making the 6" block. Press well and looking great. For the 12" block you will repeat these same steps with Fabric 3. Press well and trim to 9 " x 9 ". Finally repeat with Fabric 4. Press well and trim back to $12 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $12 \frac{1}{2}$ ". - Note: you will need to have a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance at each point so trim carefully.



Well done, another fantastic block made.