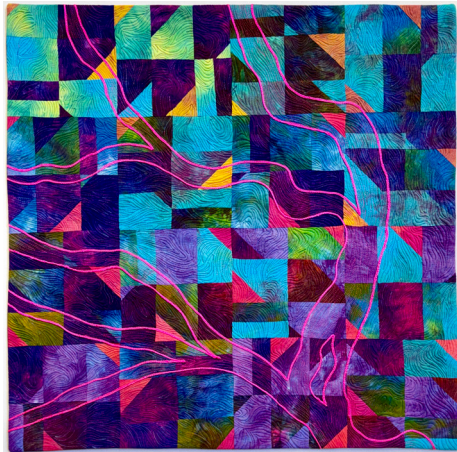


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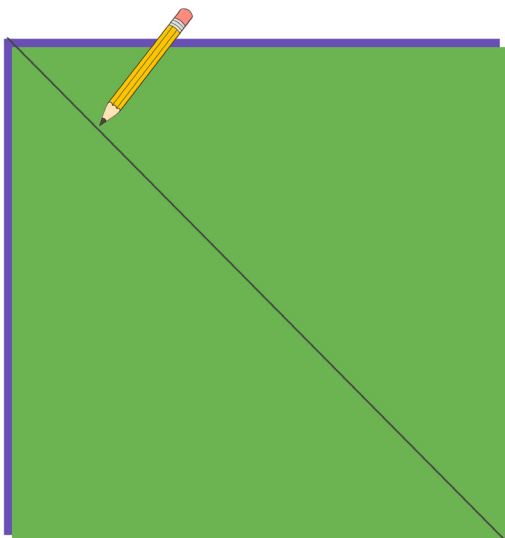
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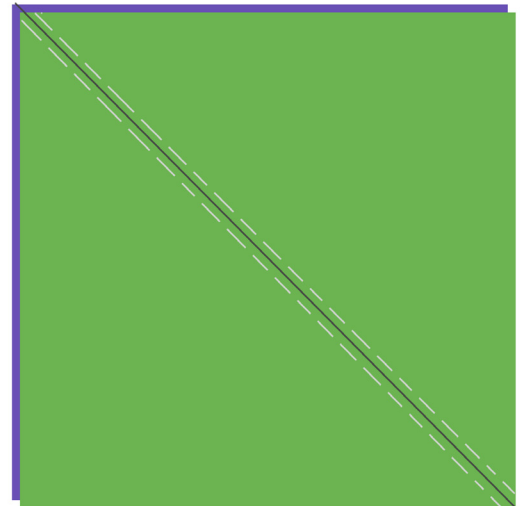
Cut two 10" squares from two different fabrics
Cut two 4.5" square from one zinger fabric.



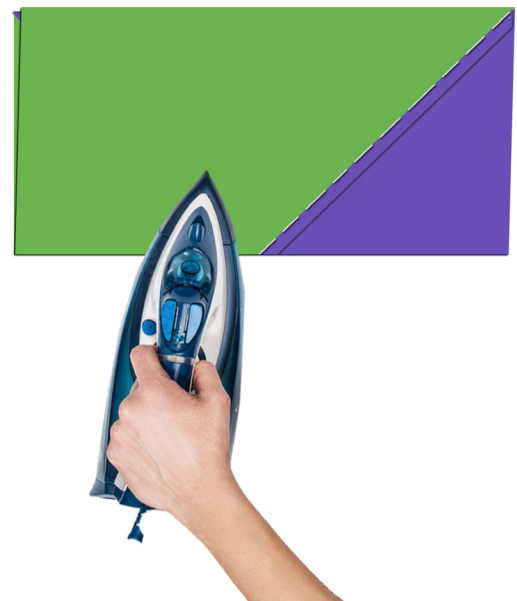
1. Layer two 10" squares, right sides together.



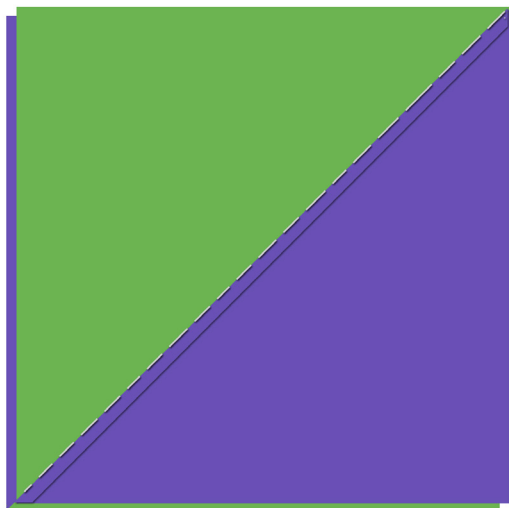
2. Draw a line diagonally from corner to corner.



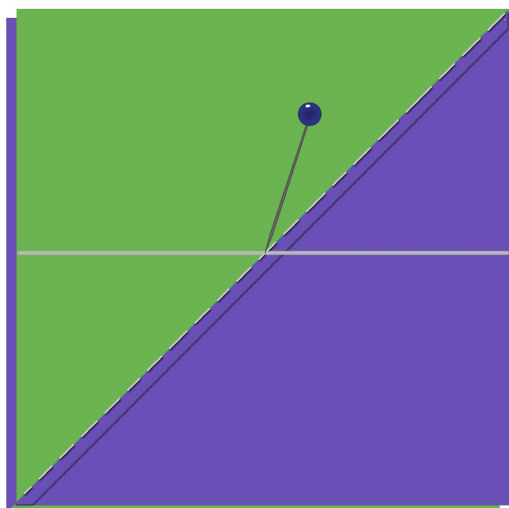
3. Stitch 1/4" (approx. is okay) on each side of the line. Then cut on the line making two HSTs. Open the HSTs and press to the darker side.



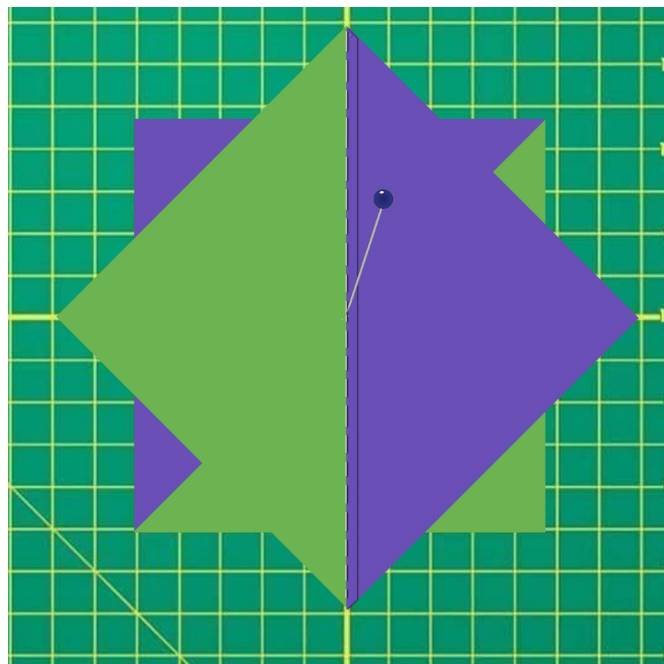
4. Fold each HST in half and press to create a crease in the center of each.



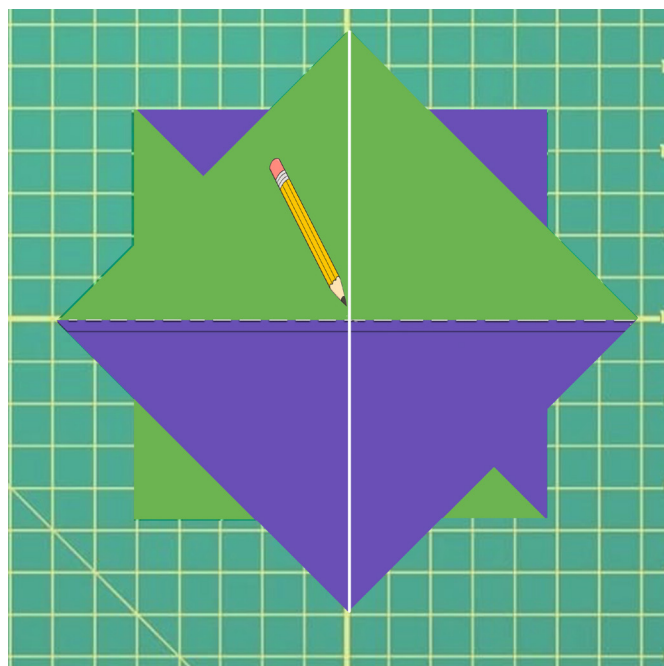
5. Layer to two HSTs so the seams are situated as shown



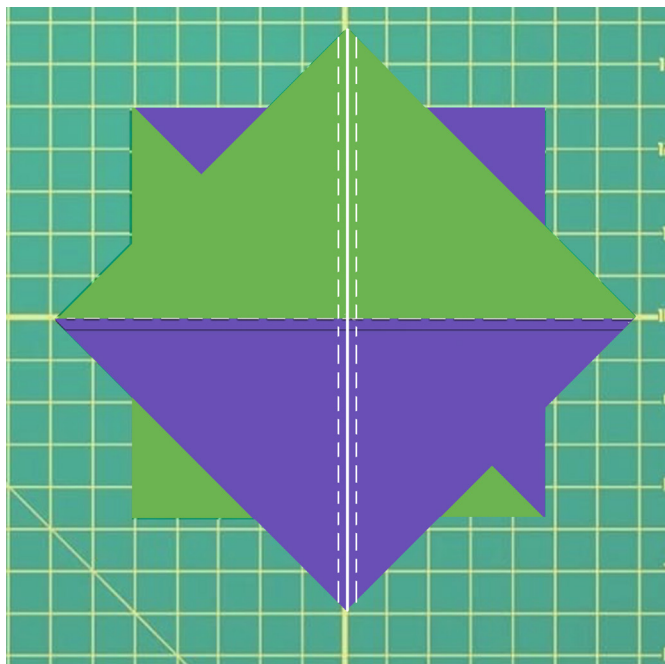
6. Place a pin through the stitching at the fold, through both HSTs.



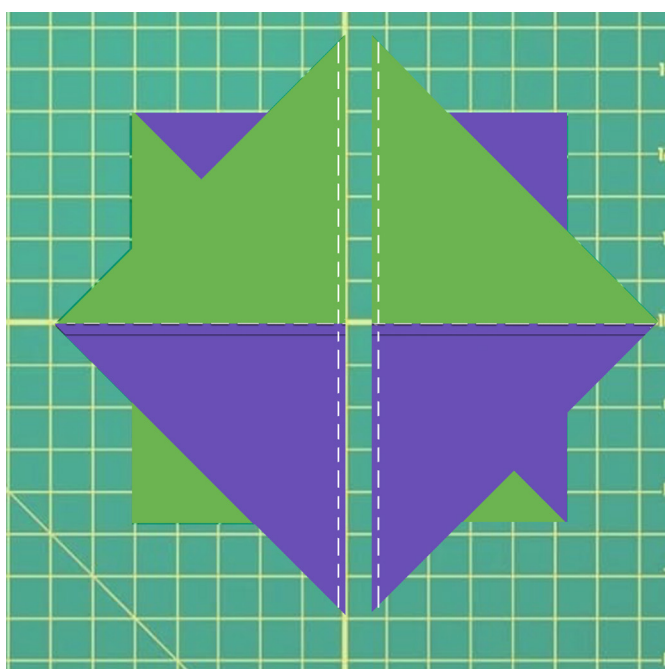
7. Place on a cutting mat and rotate upper HST counter-clockwise as shown so the lower HST is sitting squarely on the grid and the upper HST is rotated as shown, on point, perfectly positioned vertically and horizontally. Use the grid to assure positioning.



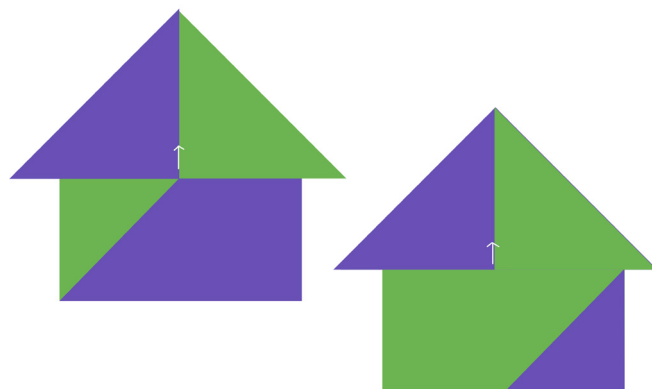
8. Rotate this entire block 90° and draw a vertical line from corner to corner as shown. Alternatively, don't rotate the block and draw a horizontal line from point to point. Either way, this new line should cross perpendicular to the sewn seam



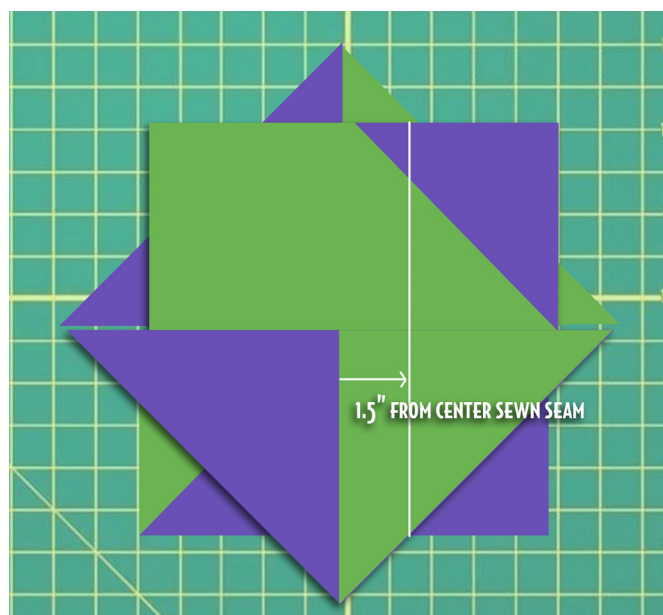
9. Sew on either side of this new line, 1/4" or approx. 1/4"



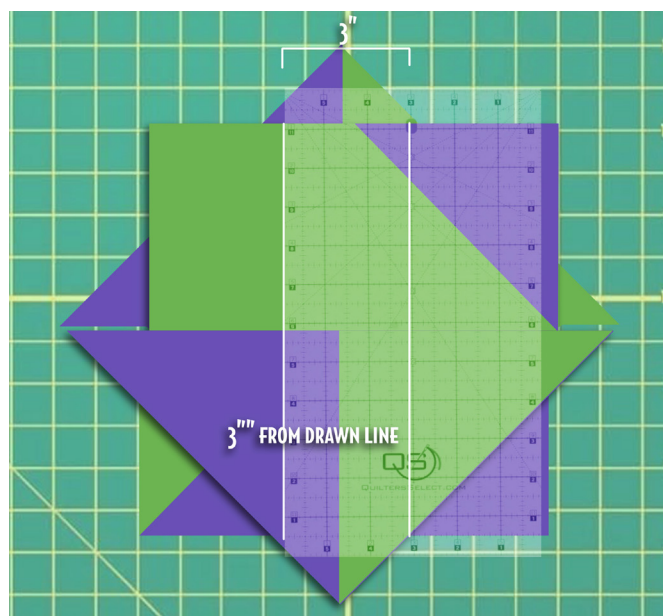
10. Cut on the center drawn line creating two sections, press the the triangular portions of each outward away from the rectangular sections.



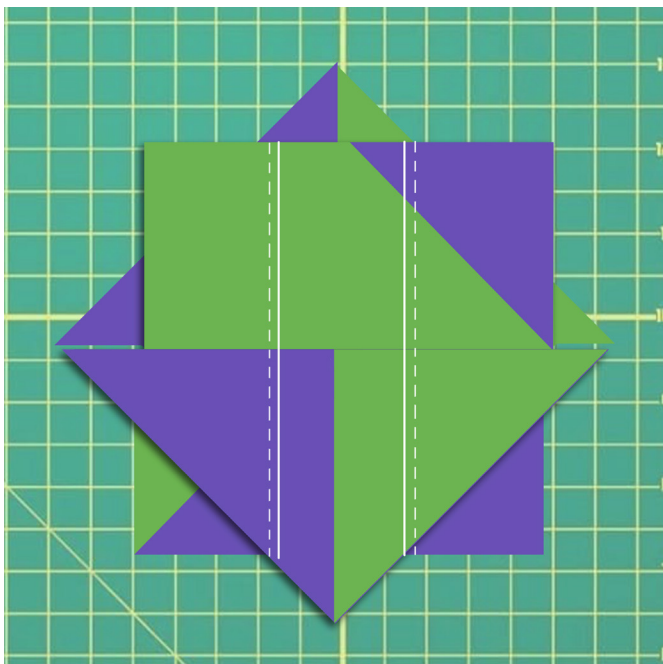
10. Now you have two complete units that should look like two little houses. Press seams in direction of the arrows.



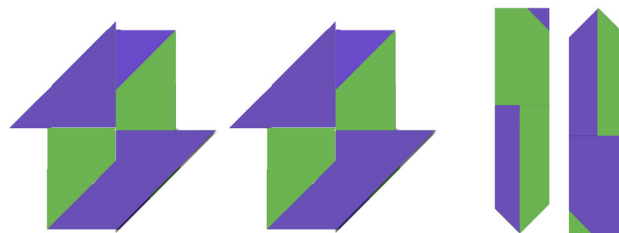
11. Position the two units right sides together with the "flaps" on east/west and the secured seams north/south.



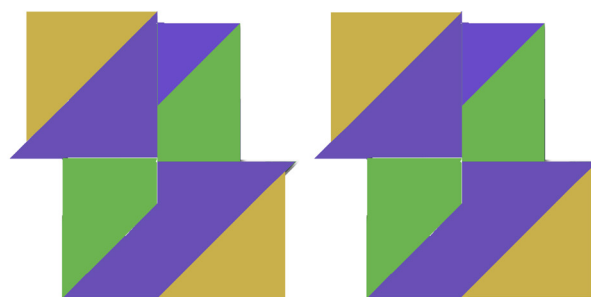
12. Draw another line 3" from first line.



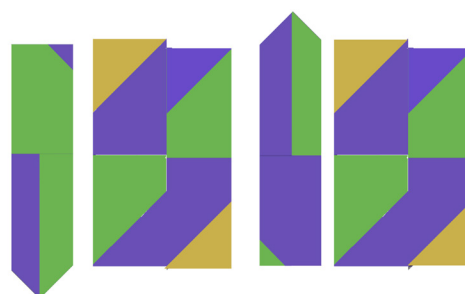
13. Sew 1/4" (approx.) on the outside of each line as shown.



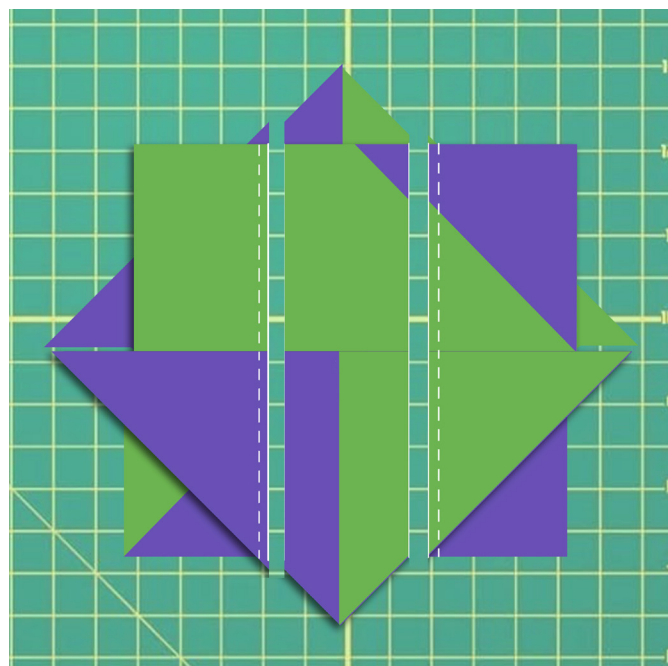
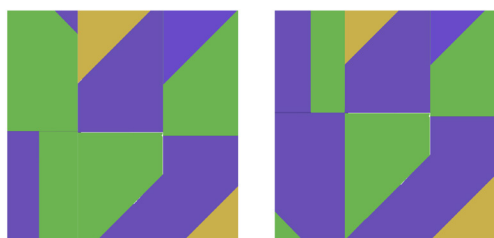
14. You will have two pairs of units similar to what is shown above.



15. Sew the four "zinger" triangles on as shown. They do not need to match any particular spot as they will be trimmed.



16. Trim the units and position the remaining 3" units on either side and orientation desired. Join the units together - square the blocks to the same size. Make multiples of these blocks and layout as desired to complete your Blink Block quilt.



14. Cut on one line and measure exactly 3" over and cut the other so that the center is parallel even if the seam allowance on the sewn portions is not exactly 1/4".

The quilt shown at the beginning of these instructions is comprised of sixteen Blink Blocks, quilted, then embellished with pink couching. Explore - have fun! — Ricky