

Projects

THE TWO-FOR-ONE-HALF-SQUARE TRIANGLE BLOCK



Today I get to share with you one of my favorite modern quilt blocks. I'm sure that it has an official name but I call it the "Two-for-one-half-triangle Block" because every time you make one you end up making two!

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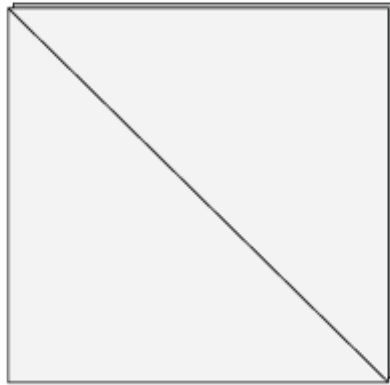
Supplies:

- (1) 7" white square
- (1) 7" red square
- (1) 6-1/2" gray square

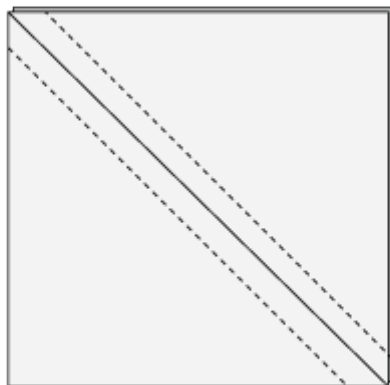
Now that we have our squares we are ready to sew!

Instructions:

1. Place the white square on top of the red square with right sides together and draw a line diagonally from the top corner to the bottom corner of the white square as shown in the illustration below.

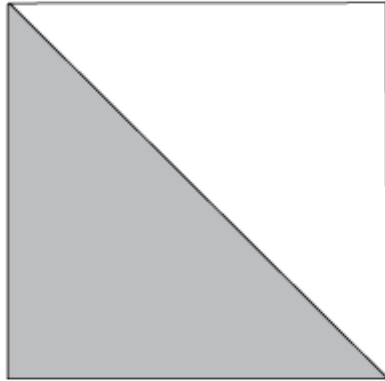


2. Sew along both sides of that line using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance as shown in the illustration below.



3. Cut along the line you drew. Now you have two half-square triangle blocks! Open them up and give them a good pressing.

4.



You are almost done!

5. Now all you need to do is place your gray square on top of the newly made half-square triangle block with right sides together and follow the same steps you used above. The only difference is this: When you draw your diagonal line across your gray block make sure it is not on the same diagonal as the half-square triangle block underneath it. Draw your diagonal so it makes an "X" across the half-square triangle underneath it and your block will look just like mine when you are finished! You will end up with two finished blocks! (And if you cut out two gray squares instead of one, you can use the second half-square triangle, pair it with your second gray square, sew that one up and end up with 4 finished blocks!)