## AQS 2020 Christmas Countdown: Contemporary Christmas

## Block Two



8" $\times 8$ " finished block size
Block Two Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(7) 3 " $\times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(3) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$
(2) $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(4) 3 " $\times 3$ "

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of the white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a red 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 /{ }^{2}$ " square.
Make 6 red/white Half Square Triangles.
Repeat to make eight $21 / 2$ " square aqua/white Half Square Triangles.

## Block Assembly

Layout the $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Half Square Triangles as shown below. Sew together.


Unit measures $41 / 2$ " square. Make 2.

Layout the $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Half Square Triangles and red $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square as shown below. Sew together.


Unit measures $41 / 2$ " square. Make 2.

Layout the units as shown below. Sew into rows. Sew the rows together to complete the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

## Block Three



8" x 8" finished block size
Block Three Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(4) 3 " $\times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(4) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(4) $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of the white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a red 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 / 2$ " square.
Make 8 red/white Half Square Triangles.

## Block Assembly

Layout the $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Half Square Triangles as shown below. Sew together.


Unit measures $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square. Make 1 .

Sew a red/white Half Square Triangle to each end of a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ aqua rectangle.


Unit measures $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle. Make 2.

Layout the units as shown below. Sew into rows. Sew the rows together to complete the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

## Block Four



8" x 8" finished block size
Block Four Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(1) $5^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$
(1) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(1) 3 " $\times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(1) 5 " $\times 5^{\prime \prime}$
(2) $2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2 \prime}$
(2) $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime} 2^{\prime \prime}$

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of a white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a red 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 /{ }^{2}$ " square.
Make 2 red/white Half Square Triangles.
Repeat using the 5 " squares to make two $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ aqual/white Half Square Triangles

## Block Assembly

Layout the $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Half Square Triangles with the aqua $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square and $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle. as shown below. Sew together.


Unit measures $41 / 2$ " square. Make 2.

Layout the units as shown below. Sew into rows. Sew the rows together to complete the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

## Block Five



8" x 8" finished block size

Block Five Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(2) $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2 "}$
(3) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$
(2) $2^{1} / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(1) 3 " $\times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(2) 3 " $\times 3^{\prime \prime}$

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of the white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a red 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 /{ }^{2}$ " square.
Make 2 red/white Half Square Triangles.
Repeat to make four $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square aqua/white Half Square Triangles.

## Block Assembly

Layout the $21 /{ }^{\prime \prime}$ " Half Square Triangles as shown below. Sew together.


Unit measures $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square. Make 2.
Layout the units as shown below. Sew into rows. Sew the rows together to complete the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

## Block Six



8" x 8" finished block size

## Block Six Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(2) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$
(1) $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$
(2) $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2 \prime} 2^{\prime \prime}$
(3) $2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime} 2^{\prime \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(2) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(2) $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of the white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a red 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 / 2$ " square.
Make 4 red/white Half Square Triangles.

## Block Assembly

Using the units, squares, and rectangles, create each column as shown. Sew the columns together to complete the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

## Block Seven



8" x 8" finished block size
Block Seven Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(1) $5^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$
(2) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$
(3) $2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2 \prime}$
(2) $2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2 \prime} 2^{\prime \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(2) 3 " $\times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(1) 5 " $\times 5$ "

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of the white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a red 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 /{ }^{2}$ " square.
Make 4 red/white Half Square Triangles.
Repeat using the 5 " squares to make one $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ aqual/white Half Square Triangles

## Block Assembly

Sew a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ red/white hst to a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ white square.
Sew the previous unit to the $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ aqua/white Half Square Triangle (hst).


Sew a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ red/white hst to the end of a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ white rectangle.
Make one right facing and two left facing.
Sew a right and a left unit to each side of the aqua/white hst unit.

Sew a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ white square to the end of the remaining left unit. Sew to the bottom of the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

## Block Eight



8" x 8" finished block size

## Block Eight Cutting Instructions

From the white fabric, cut:
(6) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$

From the red fabric, cut:
(4) $2 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$

From the aqua fabric, cut:
(6) $3^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{\prime \prime}$

## Half Square Triangles

Mark the wrong side of the white 3 " squares in half diagonally once. Lay a marked square over a aqua 3 " square, right sides together. Sew a quarter inch from each side of the marked line. Cut apart on the marked line.


Trim to measure $21 /{ }^{1}$ " square.
Make 12 aqua/white Half Square Triangles.

## Block Assembly

Layout the $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Half Square Triangles and $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ red square as shown below. Sew together.


Unit measures $41 / 2$ " square. Make 2.

Layout the units as shown below. Sew into rows. Sew the rows together to complete the block.


Block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square.

