



Maple Leaf Quilt Block

Block Fabric Requirements:

These instructions use two contrasting fabrics. The greater the contrast the more the leaf design stands out. The fabrics used are designated as follows:

Fabric A = leaf (2 mottled orange and yellow print fabrics)

Fabric B = background (cream solid fabric)

Fabric C = stem (mottled brown)

Block Size Cutting Chart:

Here are the unit cutting measurements to make a 6 inch, 9 inch and 12 inch maple leaf block. Simply choose your Block Size and follow the instructions below to make the block.

**Maple Leaf Quilt Block Pattern
Units Measurement Chart**

			Block Size		
Need			6"	9"	12"
Half Square Triangles					
Fabric A	2 Squares	Cut	3 1/4	4 1/4	5 1/4
Fabric B	2 Squares	Cut	3 1/4	4 1/4	5 1/4
	4 HSTs:	Trim to	2 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2
Leaf Squares					
Fabric A	3 Squares	Cut	2 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2
Background Square					
Fabric B	1 Square	Cut	2 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2
Stem Unit					
Fabric B	1 Square	Cut	3	4	5
Fabric C	1 Strip	Cut	1 X 7	1 X 8	1 X 9
	1 Stem Unit:	Trim to	2 1/2	3 1/2	4 1/2

HSTs=Half Square Triangles

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Piecing and Cutting Instructions in 8 Steps:

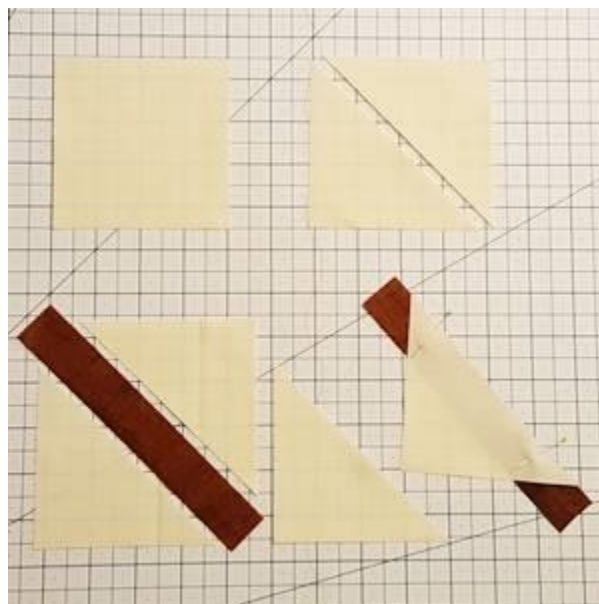
(Use ¼" seams)

Step 1 Make HSTs (half square triangles): Cut 2 squares each from Fabrics A & B. Mark a diagonal line and then with right sides together, sew ¼" on each side of diagonal line. Cut on the diagonal line. Press the seams toward the darker fabric. This makes four HSTs. **Trim** the HSTs.

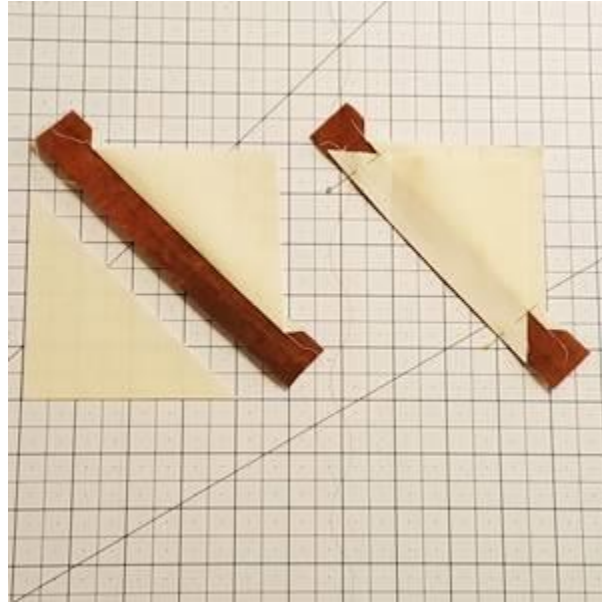
Step 2 Cut Squares and Strip: From Fabric A, cut 3 squares and from background Fabric B, cut 2 squares. From Fabric C, cut 1 strip.

Step 3 Make Leaf Stem Piece:

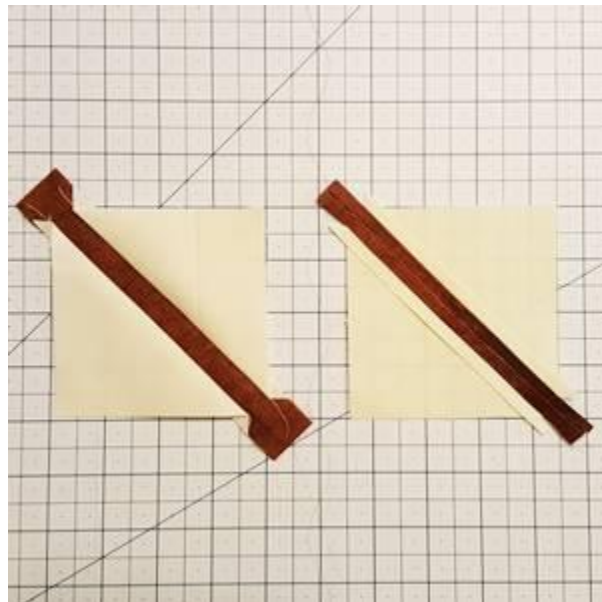
- a) Start with a large square of Fabric B and cut the square in half diagonally from corner to corner.
- b) Insert the strip for the stem between the two triangles. With right sides together, pin the longest (bias) edge of the top triangle to the right-hand edge of the strip. Pin and stitch together.
- c) Finger press the top triangle away from the stem.



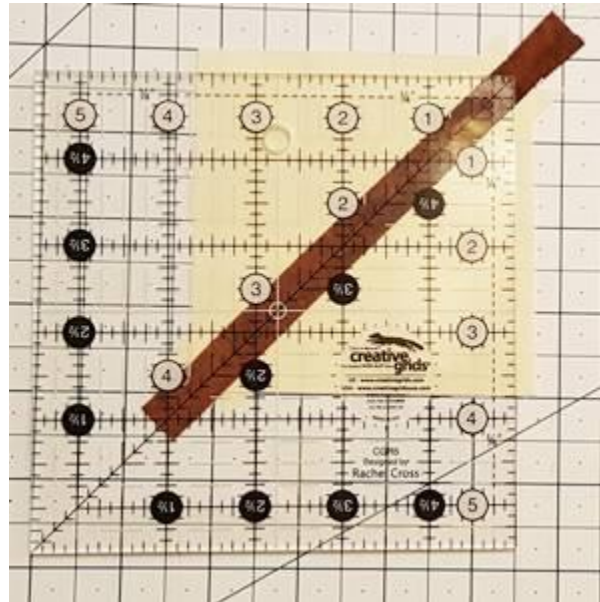
- d) Pin the second triangle to the stem strip; it is important to align its ends across from those of the first triangle as shown in next diagram. Pin and stitch together.



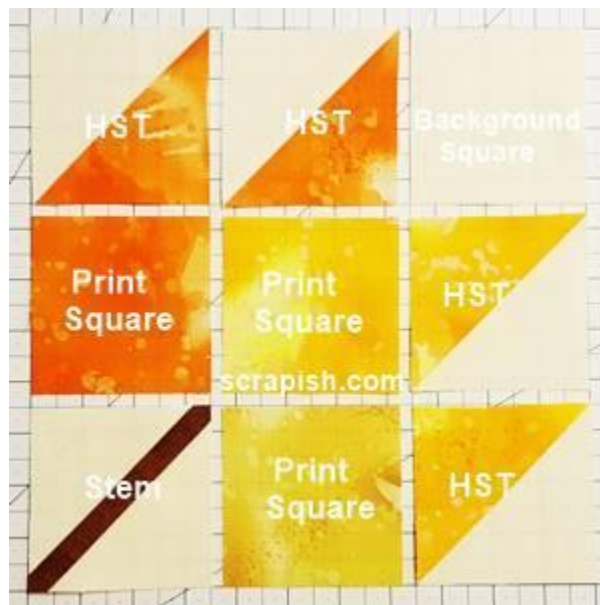
- e) Finger press the second triangle away from the stem.
- f) Press both seams open.



- g) Trim the stem unit by placing the diagonal line of a quilting ruler down the middle of the stem strip and center it. Trim unit to size according to Block Pattern chart (diagram shows trimming the piece from the wrong side).



Step 4 Lay Out the Block: Near your sewing machine, lay out the block in the format as pictured below. You can see the maple leaf take shape.



Step 5 Sew Piece Units Row by Row: Sew each row together in the layout shown:



Step 6 Press the Seams: Here's a look at the back of the block showing the pieces sewn together and the pressing direction of each seam.



Step 7 Sew the Rows together

Step 8 Block Completed: Beautiful!

Once the maple leaf quilt block is all sewn together, take it to the ironing board and give it a final press. Trim the block to size.

