Signature Cross Quilt Pattern from SewCanShe.com



https://sewcanshe.com/easy-signature-cross-quilt-pattern-perfect-for-accuquilt-and-rotary-cutting/

Sew a classic signature cross quilt with my free fat quarter friendly quilt pattern! This throw sized quilt is fast and easy to make: the perfect quilt project for a beginner or anyone who wants a fun weekend quilting project. I'm including rotary cutting instructions PLUS optional AccuQuilt cutting instructions for the fastest most accurate cutting and piecing ever.

I have added this pattern to my list of 10+ Fat Quarter Friendly Quilt Patterns. Check it out!



This Signature or Cross Quilt Pattern ticks off all the boxes for the perfect weekend quilt project:

- It's fast and easy to sew.
- It is designed for fat quarters.
- It's Accuquilt friendly if you own an Accuquilt fabric cutting machine.
- The 60" x 60" throw size can easily be quilted on a regular sewing machine.
- You can easily resize it to make it bigger or smaller if you need a different size.

Finished quilt dimensions: 60" x 60". Finished block size: 12" x 12".

One fat quarter together with the background fabric will make two 12" (finished) quilt blocks (one with a print X and one with a background X). My 60" square quilt used 13 fat quarters. You could easily make the quilt larger by using more fat quarters to make more blocks. Here is a reference for standard quilt sizes.



Another way to make this quilt larger would be to add 3" sashing with 3" square cornerstone blocks from the leftover print fabrics. I used EQ8 quilt design software to show you what this variation could look like. This design makes a 78" square quilt and requires 2 extra yards of background fabric.



YOU WILL NEED:

- 13 fat quarters (or quarter yard cuts) of fabrics that coordinate
- 2 1/4 yards background fabric
- 1/2 yard binding fabric
- 4 yards of backing fabric, or enough to piece together a 64" x 64" square
- a 64" x 64" piece of quilt batting
- a rotary cutter, acrylic ruler, and mat
- a fabric marking pen

ROTARY CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

From each fat quarter, cut:

- 4 squares 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" (52 total)

From only 12 of the fat quarters (leave out your least favorite), cut:

- 8 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" from each print (96 total)

From the background fabric, cut:

- 48 squares 6 1/2" x 6 1/2"
- 104 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

ALTERNATE ACCUQUILT CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:



From each fat quarter, cut:

- 4 pieces using the 6" finished Signature Block Die #55732 (also found in the Go! Qube 12" Companion Set-Corners set), 52 total

From only 12 of the fat quarters (leave out your least favorite), cut:

- 8 pieces using the 3" finished HST Die #55009 (also found in the GO! Qube Mix & Match 12" Block set), 96 total

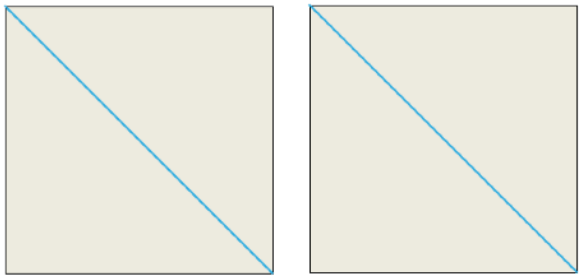
From the background fabric, cut:

- 48 pieces using the 6" finished Signature Block Die
- 104 pieces using the 3" finished HST Die

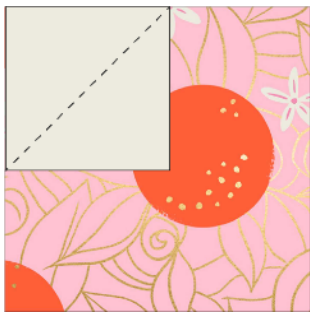
HOW TO SEW THE SIGNATURE CROSS BLOCKS

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ROTARY CUT FABRICS

Use a 1/4" seam allowance and medium stitch length such as 2 or 2.2. This is the 'snowball corner' method.

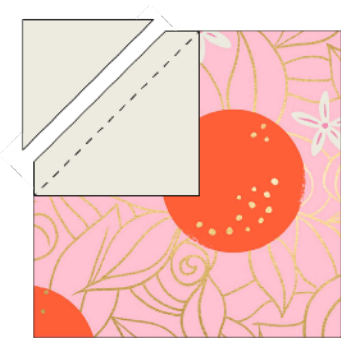


1. Use the fabric marking tool to draw a diagonal line across all of the 3 1/2" squares. You can draw these lines all at once or just a few at a time as you work. This is a sewing line.

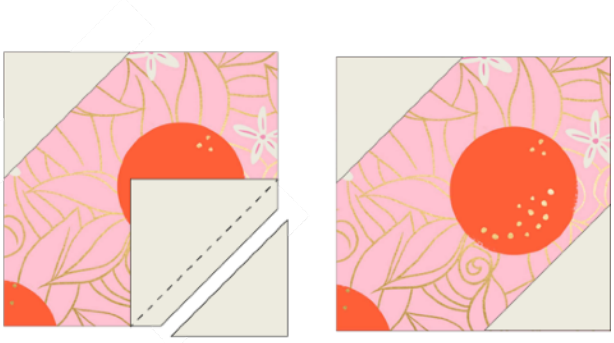


2. Pin a 3 1/2" background fabric square to a corner of one of the print fabric squares as shown above. Sew along the drawn line.

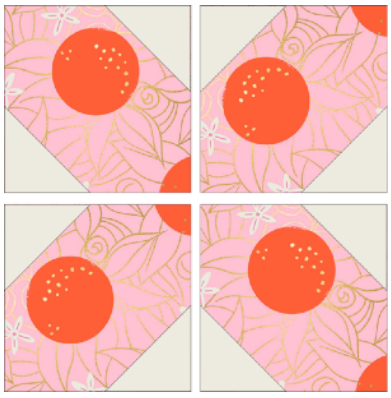
3. Cut the extra fabric away from the corner 1/4" past the sewn line. Open the corner and press.



4. Repeat to sew another background fabric square to the print fabric square and make a snowball corner on the opposite side. Open the corner and press.

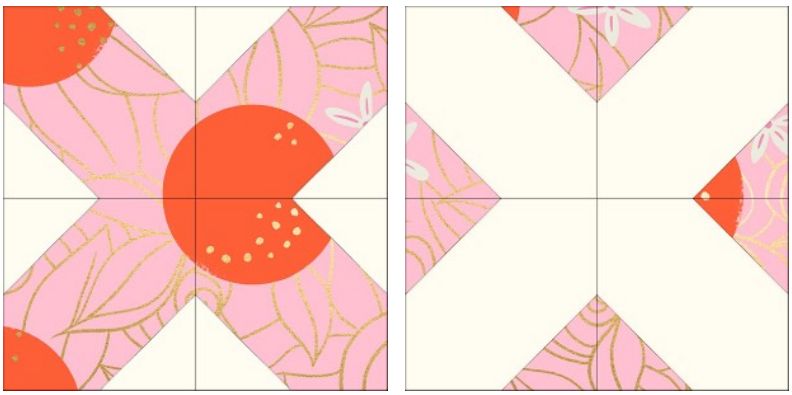


5. Make 4 matching signature squares. Sew them together to make a 12 1/2" block. Press. Trim to 12 1/2" square, if desired.



6. Use the remaining 6 1/2" and 3 1/2" squares to make:

- 13 Signature Cross Blocks that use large print squares and small background fabric squares.
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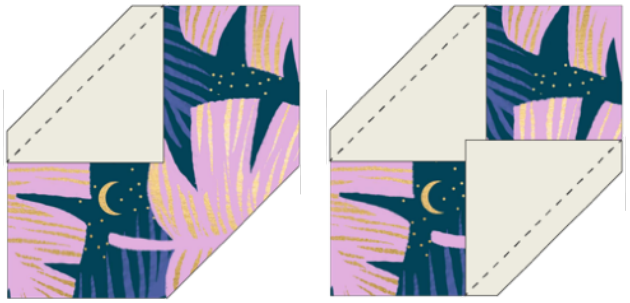


You'll need 25 blocks total.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USING PIECES CUT WITH ACCUQUILT DIES

Use a 1/4" seam allowance and medium stitch length such as 2 or 2.2.

1. Choose a print fabric signature shape piece. Sew two 3" finished HST triangle pieces to the corners with a 1/4" seam allowance.



2. Open the corners and press.



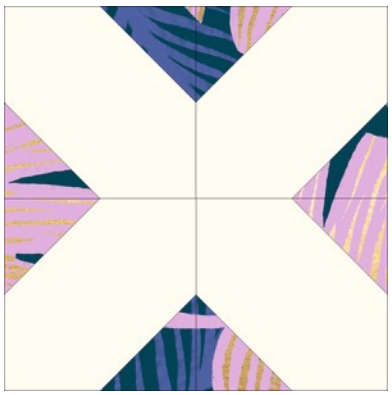
3. Make 4 matching signature squares. Sew them together to make a 12 1/2" block. Press. Trim to 12 1/2" square, if desired.



4. Use the remaining signature shape pieces and half square triangle pieces to make:

- 13 Signature Cross Blocks that use print fabric signature pieces and background fabric triangles.
- 12 Signature Cross Blocks that use background fabric signature pieces and print fabric triangles.





You'll need 25 blocks total.

ASSEMBLE THE QUILT TOP



1. Lay your quilt blocks out on a quilt design wall, a bed, or the floor. Arrange them in 5 rows with 5 blocks in each row. Note the alternating pattern of blocks with print crosses and blocks with background fabric crosses.

2. Sew the blocks into 5 rows. Then sew the 5 rows together. Press.

FINISHING YOUR SIGNATURE CROSS QUILT



1. Cut or piece together a 64" x 64" piece of backing fabric and make a quilt sandwich with the backing, batting, and top.

2. Baste together with fusible batting, pins or basting spray.

3. Quilt as desired. Straight line quilting or cross hatch quilting with your walking foot would be fast and easy.

4. Cut 7-8 binding strips and bind using your favorite method. This is my favorite quilt binding method.