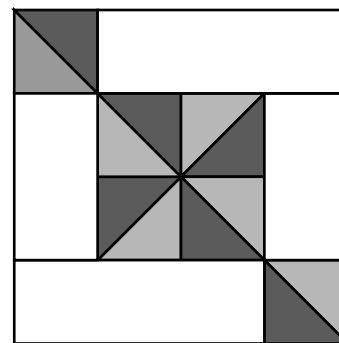


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## Block 7/9 – Interesting things

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**Block is 12.5" x 12.5"**  
Finished size 12" x 12"

As of March 2004, Delaware was the only state without a national park

Dry Tortugas in Florida, 70 miles off Key West, is one of the most remote And least visited National Parks.

Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado protects 5000 archaeological sites, which is the largest archaeological preserve in the United States. These include 600 cliff dwellings, where the Ancestral Pueblo people lived thousands of years ago.

The most visited park is Great Smoky Mountains. It is in both North Carolina and Tennessee. Last year, it had more guests than any other park, attracting 307.2 million visits.

Newest National Park - Wed July 17, 2024 Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland formally established the school as a National Historic Site. It's one of 76 sites with that designation. The Blackwell School, in Marfa, Texas, was the sole public education institution for the town's segregated Hispanic students from 1909 to 1965.

What interesting facts have you learned at a National Park?

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## Cutting Directions

### Light fabrics

- Cut 2 strips 3.5" x 9.5"
- Cut 2 strips 3.5" x 6.5"

### Medium fabric

- Cut 3 squares 4" x 4" for Half Square Triangles (HST)

### Dark Fabric

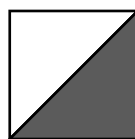
- Cut 3 squares 4" x 4" for Half Square Triangles (HST)

## Directions

1) Using the 4" medium and dark fabric squares make HSTs using method on my HST sheet at the end.

trim to 3.5" square

Make 6 units



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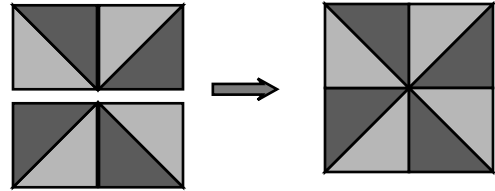
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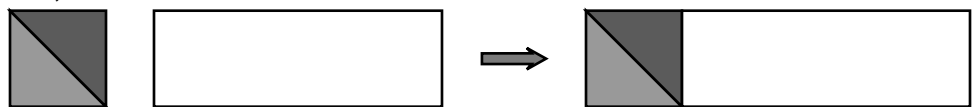
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### Directions

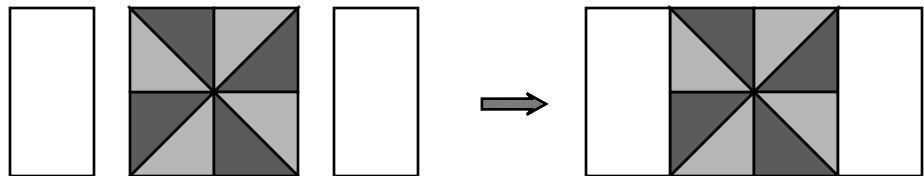
- 2) Following the diagram, use 4 HST to make a pinwheel center  
 Measures 6.5" x 6.5"  
 Make 1



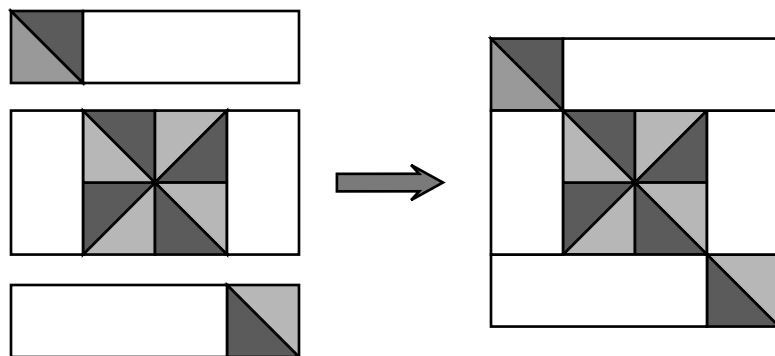
- 3) Following the diagram, Sew a HST to the left  
 End of the 9.5" strip  
 Measures 3.5" x 12.5"  
 Make 2



- 4) Following the diagram, sew the 6.5" strips to each side of the pinwheel  
 Measures 6.5" x 12.5"  
 Make 1



- 5) Following the diagram, Assemble the block by sewing the 3 rows together  
 Measures 12.5" x 12.5"  
 Make 1



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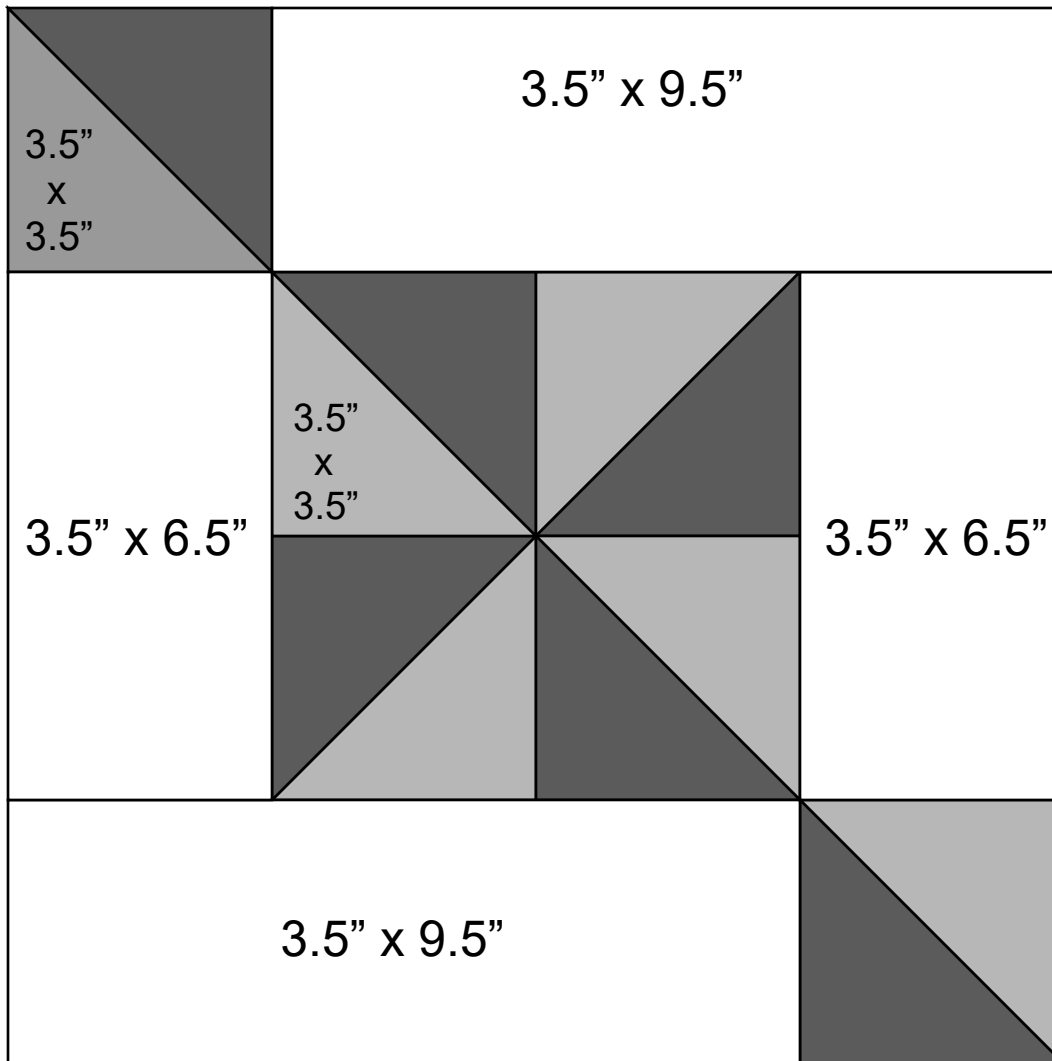
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### Unfinished / CUTTING Sizes

See directions for more details



**Block is 12.5'' x 12.5''**

IN the Quilt it is finished size 12'' x 12''

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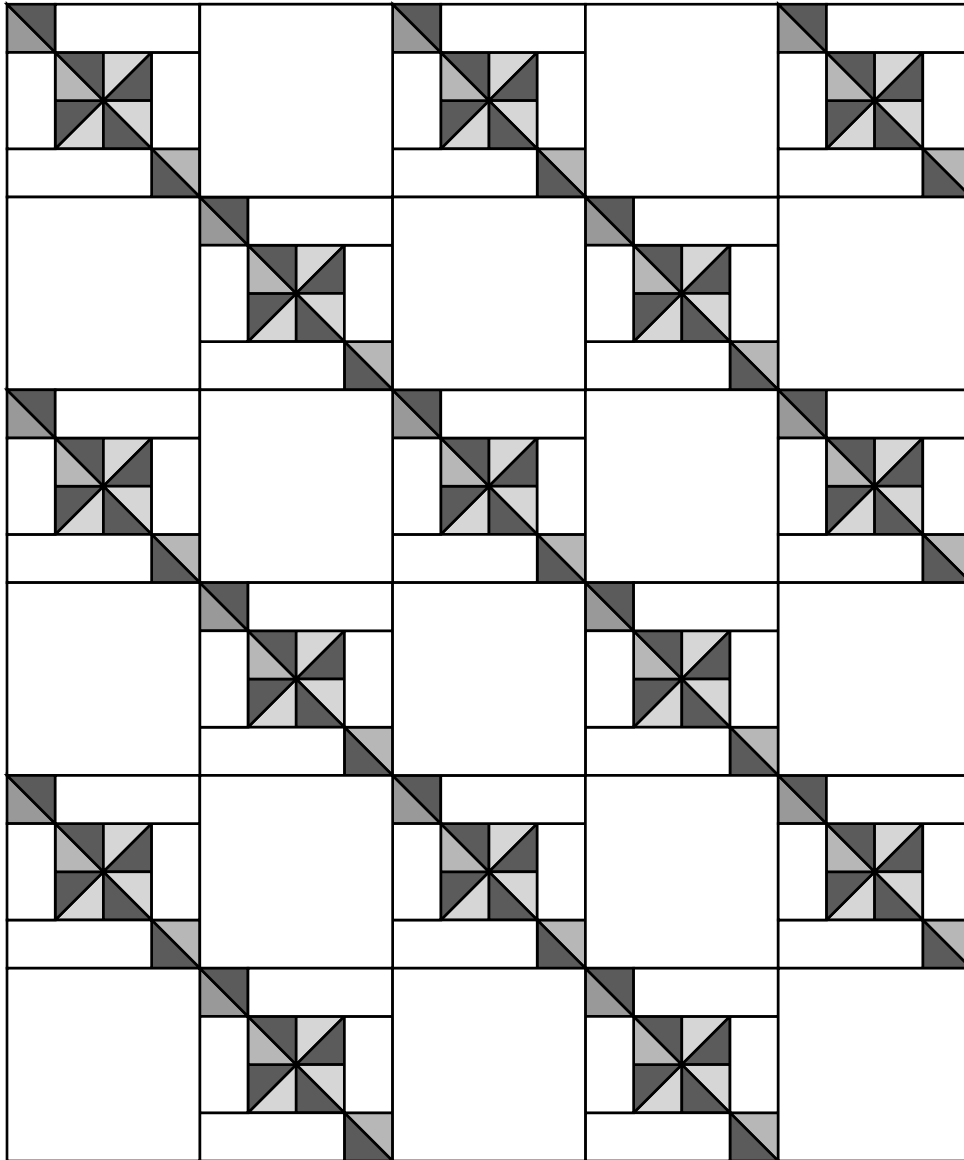
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**BONUS PROJECT using 60.5" x 72.5" - 15 Blocks**  
**Cut 15 squares 12.5" x 12.5"**

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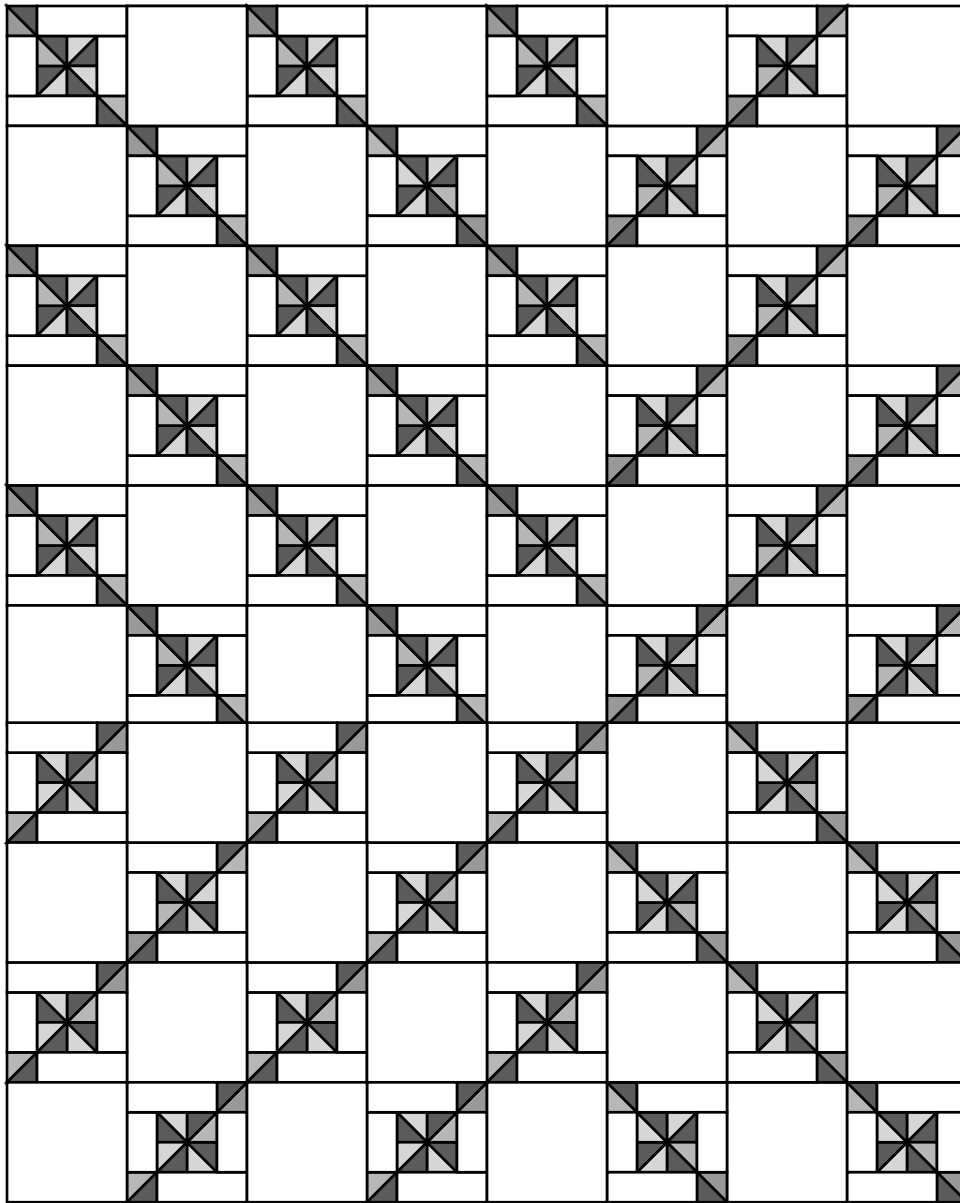
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**BONUS PROJECT using 96.5" x 120.5" - 40 Blocks**  
**Cut 40 squares 12.5" x 12.5"**

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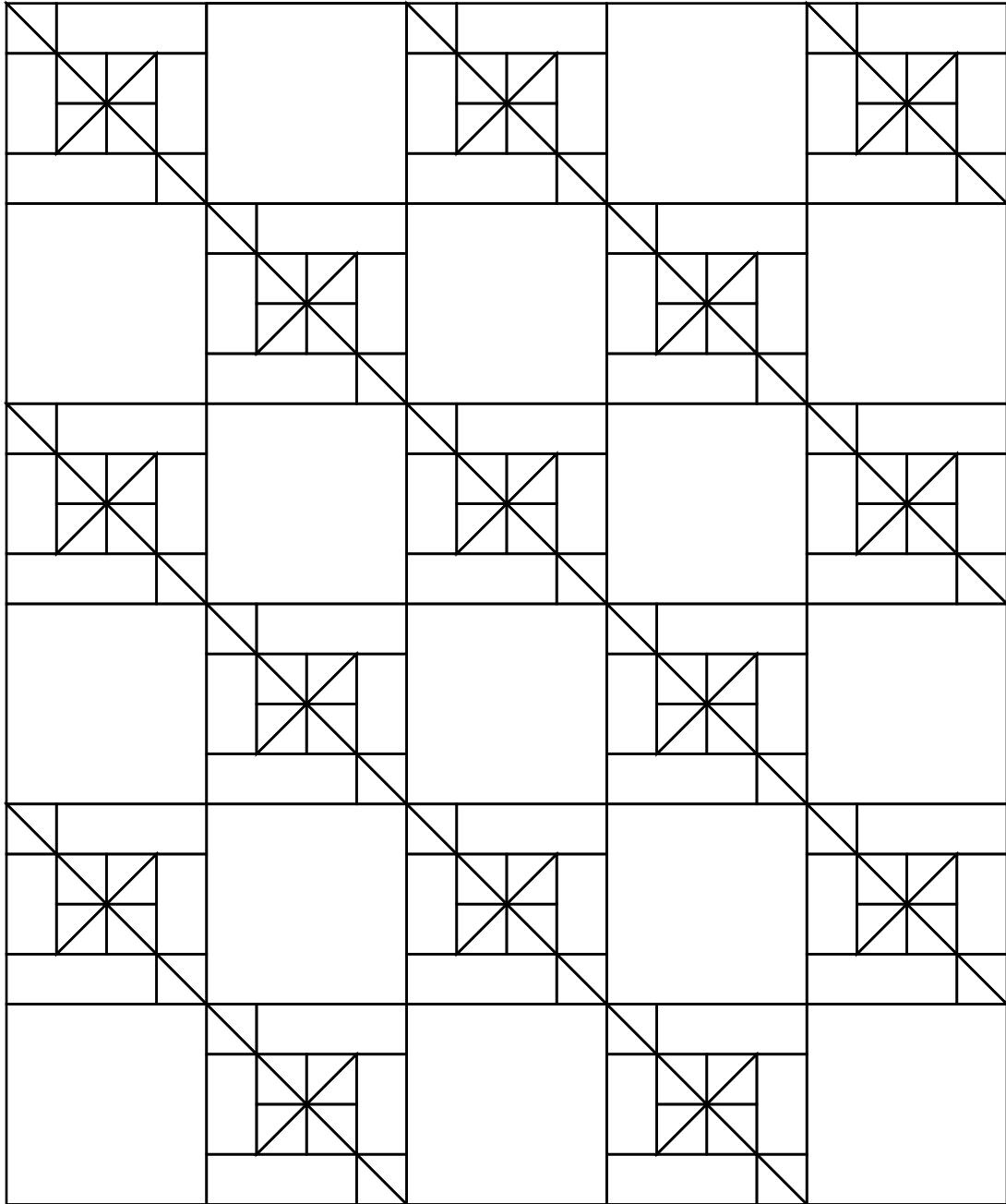
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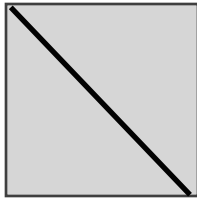
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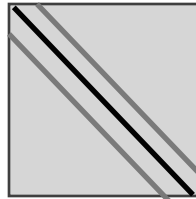
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## Half Square Triangles Tutorial



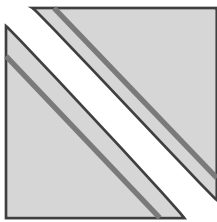
**Step 1**

- Draw a line on the back of all the lighter squares



**Step 2**

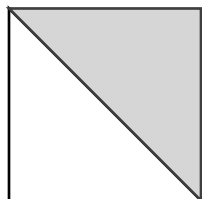
- Layer the 2 squares  
- Sew a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on both Sides of the drawn line



**Step 3**

Cut on the drawn Line for 2 HST

**Step 4**



-Trim squares to size on the Pattern using a square ruler with a diagonal line placed on the Seam.

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