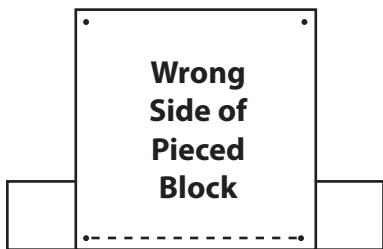


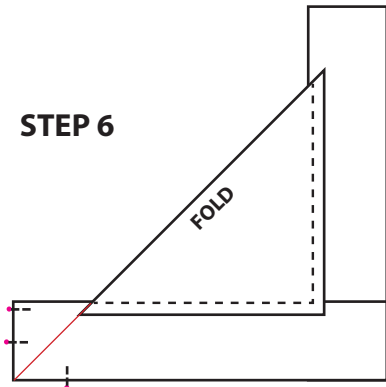
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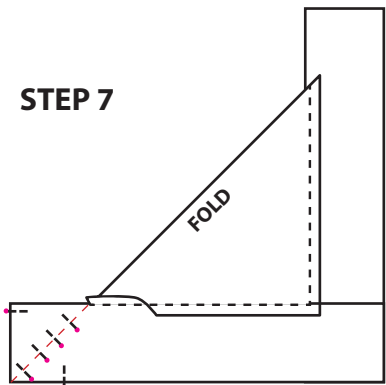
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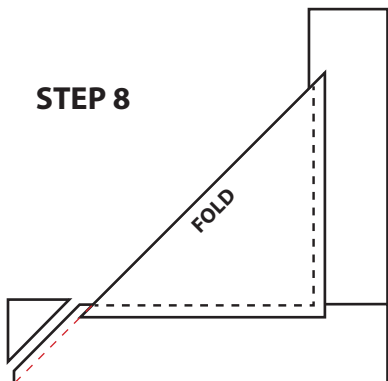
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How to Make Mitered Borders for the House-of-the-Month Mini-Quilts

Party House
by Pamela Zave

1) Square up your pieced house block if needed by trimming so length and width are equal and you have even sides as much as possible.

2) Measure the resulting square. The side length minus 1/2" is its **finished** size.

3) Mark the four corners of your pieced house block on the 1/4" seam line on the **WRONG** side of the block.

4) **P** = **finished** size of pieced block

B = **finished** size of border

Cut (4) border strips according to the following formula.

(width: **B** + 1/2") x (length: **P** + 2**B** + 1/2")

For example: The finished size of your houseblock is 16".

You want a 4" finished border.

P=16", **B**=4", therefore (4" + 1/2") x (16" + (2x4") + 1/2") translates to a strip that measures 4 1/2" wide by 24 1/2" long.

5) Center first strip right sides together and sew from corner dot to dot, securing stitch at the beginning and at the end of a seam.

Open and press seam toward the border strip.

Continue to sew on all strips around the block making sure to start and stop at marked dots. Make sure not to catch any previously sew border strip with your stitching.

6) Once you have sewn all your border strips on, fold the top in half diagonally right sides together. Match up one corner of two adjacent border strips. Pin together to stabilize. You will temporarily need to push pressed seam away from border in order to lay the corners out flat.

7) With ruler draw a line from corner to seam line. Sew along this drawn line starting from the outer point to the corner seam line.

8) After sewing trim away excess fabric 1/4" away from the sewn line. Press seam open. Continue in this manner to miter remaining three corners.