

UrbanAmish Town-General Instructions



Houses 1 through 9

MAKING THE HOUSE BLOCKS

All house blocks are 16" square finished size. They are entirely made up of 2 1/2" squares, 2 1/2" **half-square triangle**, 2 1/2" **half-rectangle square** units or 2 1/2" **quarter-square** units.

If you are unsure how to make **half-square triangle** units read the following section. **Half-rectangle squares** are assembled by sewing two 2 1/2" x 1 1/2" rectangles together to make a 2 1/2" square. **Quarter-square** units are sewn from two 1 1/2" squares and one 1 1/2" rectangle.



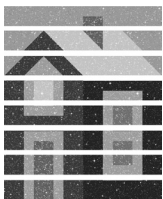
Half-
Rectangle
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Half-
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Triangle



Quarter-
Square
Square



ASSEMBLING HOUSE BLOCK

Assemble each house row by row.
Alternate the pressing of the seams in each row to facilitate the corner points of the squares lining up nicely.

HOW TO MAKE HALF-SQUARE TRIANGLES NEEDED FOR THE HOUSE BLOCKS

You need two 2 7/8" squares to make a pair of half-square triangles.

- Layer two corresponding 2 7/8" squares right sides together. (Assemble pairs as specified for each house.)
- Draw a line diagonally from corner to corner on the back of the lighter colored square.
- Sew a scant 1/4" in from the drawn diagonal along either side.
- Cut apart along drawn diagonal.
- Press to set stitches then press open with seam allowance toward the darker side.
- Place 45 degree diagonal line of ruler on seam, trim squares down to 2 1/2" inches if needed. Each pair of 2 7/8" squares makes two 2 1/2" half-square triangles.

Note: If you are not confident that you can sew a scant 1/4" seam or simply don't like cutting fabrics at 1/8" increments there is an alternative. Start out with a 3" square rather than a 2 7/8". You simply trim to the right size at the end and no one will know the difference but you will be much more confident about the accuracy of your final half-square triangles.

