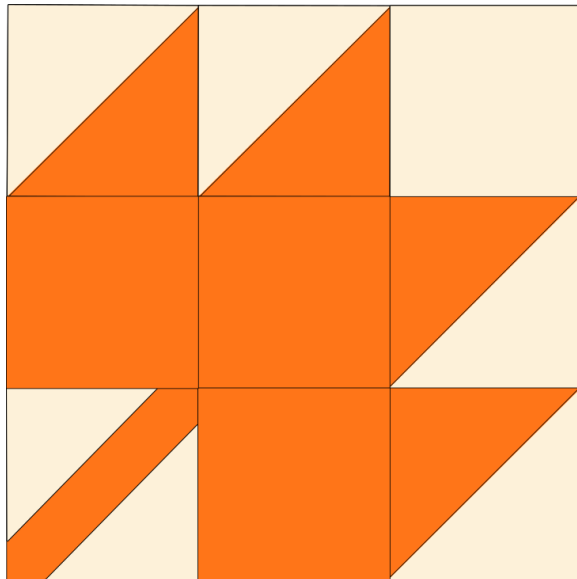




Maple Leaf Block



Free Tutorial

Size: 6" x 6"



1. Cut fabric as follows:

Main fabric:

two 3" x 3" squares
four 2½" x 2½" squares

Background fabric:

two 3" x 3" squares
one 2½" x 2½" square
two 2" x 2" squares

2. Pairing background fabric (Fabric A) 3" x 3" squares and main fabric 3" x 3" squares, make 4 half square triangles (See instructions on Page 4.)

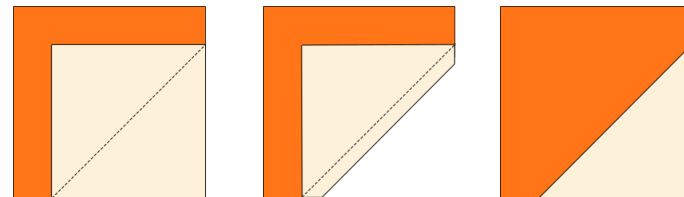
3. Trim each half square triangle to 2½" x 2½".

4. Using the remaining main fabric 2½" x 2½" squares and the 2" x 2" background fabric squares, assemble the leaf stems as follows:

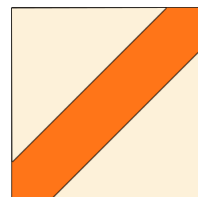
Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the wrong side of each background fabric 2" x 2" square.

Place a 2" x 2" background fabric square right sides together on top of a 2½" x 2½" main fabric square and sew on the drawn line as below.

Trim ¼" from the seam line. Press towards the background fabric.



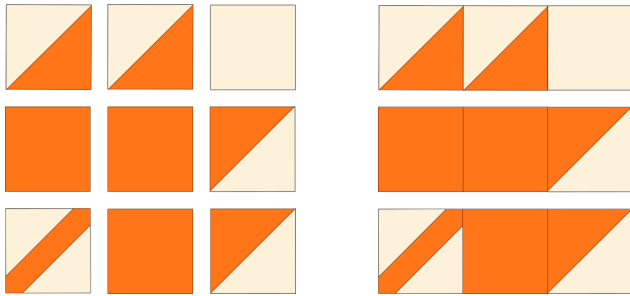
Repeat on the opposite side.



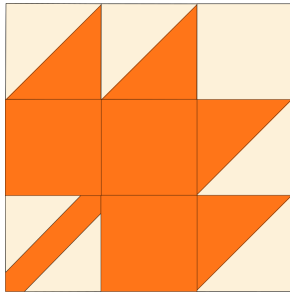


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5. Arrange $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " blocks and squares, then sew into three strips as below. Press seams of top and bottom rows in one direction and seams of center row in the opposite direction.



6. Sew the three rows together and press seams toward center.




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How to make half square triangles:

Start with two fabric squares.

On the wrong side of the lightest square, draw a diagonal line corner to corner. (1)

Place the two squares right side together and stitch a seam $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the drawn line, on either side of the line. (2)

Cut apart along the drawn line and press the seam toward the darker fabric. (3)

You now have two identical half square triangles. (4)

Trim to the size required in your pattern.

