



Solid Blue in Center  
or  
Red

## Disappearing Nine-Patch Block

Finishes at 13"

Fabric Needed:

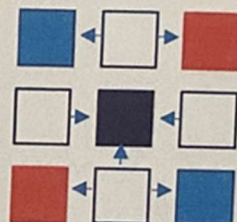
- (4) 5" white squares
- (4) 5" red or blue squares
- (1) 5" black or dk. Navy square

Blocks are  
5 1/2



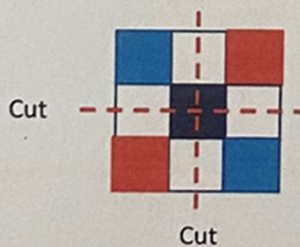
Make a 9-patch quilt block:

- Lay out 3 rows of 3 squares each, with the dark square in the middle, and red and/or blue squares in each corner.
- Sew each row, pressing seams to the dark.
- Sew the rows together, pressing towards the center.
- Block should measure 14".

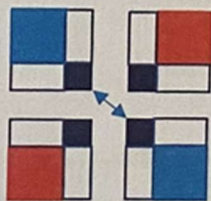


Here comes the magic!

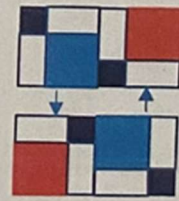
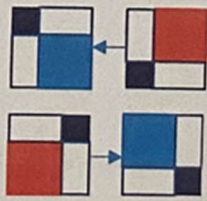
- Cut the block in half both horizontally & vertically
- Without turning the pieces, switch the top left and the bottom right sections
- Sew each row, pressing seams towards the larger dark square.
- Sew the rows together, pressing seams towards the smaller squares. On the back of the block, using your fingers, you can fold open the seam in the center of the block having 1/2 the seam fold one direction and the other half of the seam fold the other direction. It will look like a little 4 patch on the back (see below). This will help the center of the block lie flatter in the quilt.
- Block should measure 13-1/2". *14-3/4*



Cut



Switch top left  
with bottom right



The center back  
seam of my block

