

Music City Quilt Guild Signature Quilt

Square in a Square Block

There are a couple different ways to sew this square. This method was modified from on-line "no waste" instructions posted by the Nomadic Quilter, December 31, 2023. Those instructions provide a link for calculating the math associated with square-in-a-square designs. For our purposes, use the dimensions provided. The inside square is actually 3 strips sewn together.



Cutting Instructions

For our Ruby anniversary, we ask that each square use 2 different ruby reds and a tone-on-tone

Subunit	No. Required	Size	Comment
Inside Square (3 Stripes)			
Ruby Fabric A	2	2" x 4-3/4"	
Tone-on-tone White	1	2" x 4-3/4"	
Outside Square (Outside Triangles)			
Ruby Fabric B	1	4" x 4"	Cut in half on the diagonal
Tone-on-tone White	1	4" x 4"	Cut in half on the diagonal

Prepare Center Block

Referring to the Figure A, sew Red Fabric A strips to either side of the of the white strip. Press toward red. Trim the resulting block to 4 ³/₄" x 4 ³/₄" by trimming 1/8" off each of the long red sides (center should be 1 ¹/₂" wide).



Figure A: Center Block

Finishing the Block

- Sew one Red B triangle to each end of the center square by centering the pieces together, see Figure B. Press toward the triangle. It's important with square in a square blocks that there is a quarter inch of overlap of the accent fabric on each side. If there isn't then when the block is sewn into your project the point will disappear



Figure B: Center Block with Red Corners

- Add the white triangles to each side by centering the pieces together, press toward the triangles. Trim your square to 6 1/2 x 6 1/2" (see Figure C).

- Once your square is complete, sign your name and the year you joined our guild (see Figure C) using a 0.8 micron fabric pen. We will have pens available at the guild meetings.



Figure C: Finished Square with Signature

- One potential layout of our quilt top is shown below. This layout will accommodate up to 104 signatures and finish to 60" x 72" without borders. Lezleigh Kleibrink has volunteered to create the anniversary centerpiece.

