# **Half Square Triangles Tutorial**

This tutorial shows you how to making half-square triangles from 10-inch squares. These blocks are quick to make and very versatile to design a beautiful quilt.

- The finished quilt is a 7 x 9 layout and measures 67" x 85" including the 2-inch border.
- The block finishes at 9" (9-1/2" unfinished).
- Sew all seams at 1/4".

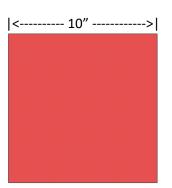
#### What You Need for a Whole Quilt:

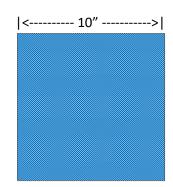
Fabric	Fabric Unit Size	Number of Blocks	Yardage	Number of Strips
Blue Fabric, solid or patterned	10" x width-of-fabric	32	1 1/4	4
Red Fabric, solid or patterned	10" x width-of-fabric	32	1 1/4	4
Light-colored fabric (white, beige, light pattern) solid or patterned	10" x width-of-fabric	64	2 1/2	8
Matching Border Fabric, solid or patterned	2.5" x width-of-fabric		2/3	8

<sup>\*</sup> Assuming that the width of fabric is at least 40" wide from selvage to selvage.

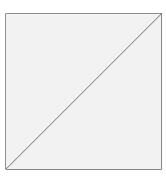
### **Preparation:**

1. Cut the reds, blues, and lights into 10" squares.





2. For each 10" square of light fabric, draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the fabric.



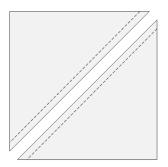
### Making the Half-square Triangles:

- 1. Pair the marked square with a red/blue square of the same size, edges matched and right sides together. Secure squares with straight pins.
- 2. Sew two seams, each 1/4" from the marked center line.





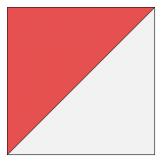
3. Use scissors or rotary cutting equipment to cut through both layers of the square on the marked center diagonal.



- 4. Place the half square units on your ironing board, the side with the darkest fabric up.
- 5. Open up one unit and press carefully, moving the iron into the seam that separates the dark half from the light half.
- 6. Trim the "dog ears" from the ends of seam allowances.

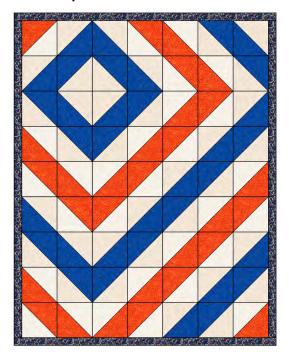






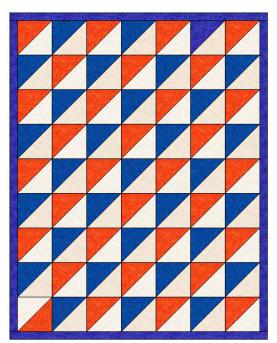


### **Quilt Examples**



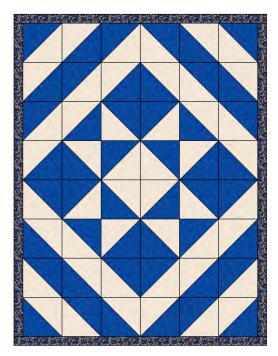
### 63 blocks total

- Cut 15 10" squares of various reds
- Cut 17 10" squares of various blues
- Cut 32 10" squares of various whites/beiges



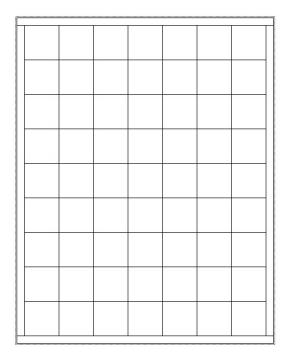
## 63 blocks total

- Cut 16 10" squares of various blues
- Cut 16 10" squares of various reds
- Cut 32 10" squares of various whites/beiges



48 blocks total – 62" x 76"

- Cut 24 10" squares of various blues
- Cut 24 10" squares of various whites/beiges



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