## Easy Snowball Quilt Block Tutorial for Beginners

Enter the Snowball Quilt Block. Today, I am thrilled to share with you a timeless quilting technique that seamlessly blends simplicity with sophistication.

## Very Different Looks Using This Beginner Quilt Block.

Play with the size of the squares and you can achieve very different looking blocks. Along with the different sizes, switch up the background squares or corner squares and use different colors. Make this a scrappy snowball or use a preplanned color scheme.

See the chart for the suggested combinations of large and small squares. When using the suggested size, you will end up with more of an
 octagon shape. If you use a smaller square on each corner, you will have more of a round snowball shape for your snowball corners. Therefore, feel free to change up the corner square size to achieve your desired look.

This chart provides suggested square combinations for this unit.

| Finished Snowball Unit Size | Cut 1 Large Square | Cut 4 Small Squares |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $2^{\prime \prime}$ | 2.5 " | 1.25" |
| 3" | 3.5 " | 1.5" |
| 4" | 4.5" | 1.875" |
| $5^{\prime \prime}$ | 5.5 " | $2.25{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $6^{\prime \prime}$ | 6.5" | 2.5" |
| 7" | 7.5" | $2.875^{\prime \prime}$ |
| 8" | 8.5 " | $3.25{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $9{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 9.5 " | 3.5 " |
| $10^{\prime \prime}$ | 10.5" | $3.875^{\prime \prime}$ |
| $11^{\prime \prime}$ | $11.5^{\prime \prime}$ | 4.25" |
| $12^{\prime \prime}$ | 12.5" | $4.5{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |

# How to make a Snowball Unit using the Quick Corner Method Skill Level 

Beginner Quilter

## Quilt Block Name

## Snowball Quilt Block

## Finished Block Size

Use the square size provided to sew the block desired, from 2 inches through 12 inches.

## Equipment and Tools

- Rotary Cutter
- Quilting Ruler
- Cutting Mat
- Rotating Cutting Mat
- Iron
- Ironing Board or Pressing Mat
- Pins
- Clips
- Sewing Machine
- Fabric Scissors
- Disappearing fabric marker

It's another beginner quilt pattern, that looks like it could be complicated, but is actually very easy to sew.

# How to make a Snowball Unit using the Quick Corner Method 



Cut 1 main fabric and 4 smaller squares.


Pin these squares on each corner of the larger square with the diagonal lines perpendicular to the corner of the larger square.


Sew together by stitching along the diagonal line.


Trim both the corner of the larger square and the corner triangle of the smaller square using $1 / 4$ inch seam allowance from the stitching line of all 4 corners.


Press all four corners open.

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## Make a Snowball Unit with the Quick Corner Method by following these simple steps.

## Step 1

Cut 1 main fabric and 4 smaller squares. Identify the finished size of your unit and refer to the chart below for precise cutting measurements of the individual pieces.

## Step 2

On the wrong side of each small square, use a fine pencil and a straight edge and lightly draw a diagonal line on the back side of each of the square. Alternatively, you can achieve the same effect by folding them in half diagonally to mark the line.

## Step 3

With the right sides together, pin these squares on each corner of the larger square with the diagonal lines perpendicular to the corner of the larger square. See the illustration below for guidance.

## Step 4

Sew together by stitching along the diagonal line, remove pins as you come up to them. See the illustration below for guidance.

## Step 5

Trim both the corner of the larger square and the corner triangle of the smaller square using $1 / 4$ inch seam allowance from the stitching line of all 4 corners.

## Step 6

Press all four corners open, pressing the seams open or toward the darker fabric. The smaller square now becomes the corner piece of the large block.

## Step 7

Use a ruler to square up/trim any uneven corners.

That's it, you have this snowball block complete. A simple block with endless design possibilities and size options.

We hope that you have enjoyed this lovely quilt pattern.

XO
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