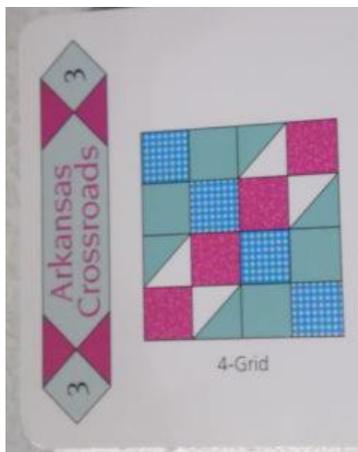


Arkansas Crossroad block



I love the diagonal optical illusion of this block. I would love to make an entire scrap quilt of this someday. This block is quick and easy to assembly. Please keep in mind that all blocks finish at 12 inches for the main body of this sampler quilt.

Directions for assembling the block:

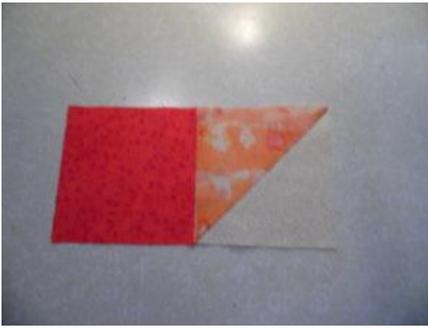
First of all, arrange your pieces in the following manner. This is just to make sure you have all of your pieces. The background is difficult to see since it is cream on white and matches my counter top. Oops!



Beautiful layout, eh? So simple. Now we are changing the piles to get them ready to go through the sewing machine.



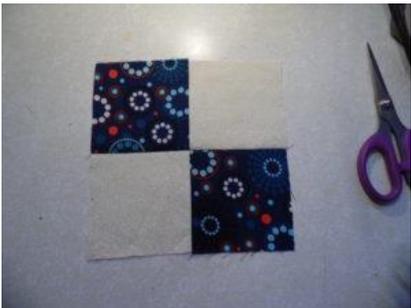
Set the red blocks aside for the moment. Next, make a pile of triangles as shown above and a pile of blue and background squares. Sew these units to make 4 of each. Press towards the dark fabric.



Now join the half square triangle blocks to the red squares as shown above. Press towards the red block.



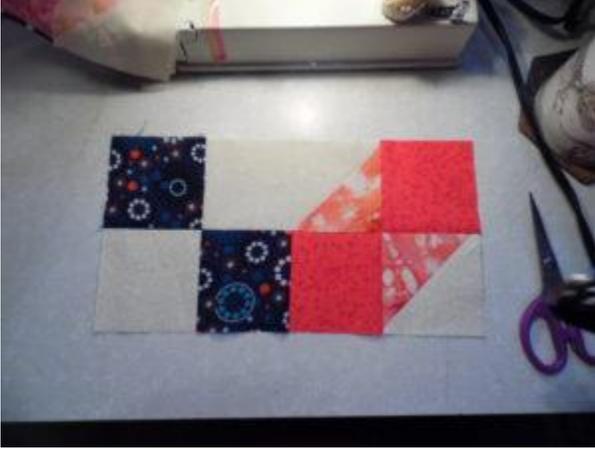
Now join two of the units you created above to create this six in block. Do this twice. Press to one side.



Now create two four patch blocks using your blue and background units from above. Press towards the dark fabric.

You now have 4 units to piece together to finish this fantastically simple block.

oAssembling the block:



Sew block units together as shown in the picture above. Make 2 of these units. Press towards the blue block units. You now have 2 block halves.

Sew the halves together. Press.



You now have a completed Arkansas Crossroads block!