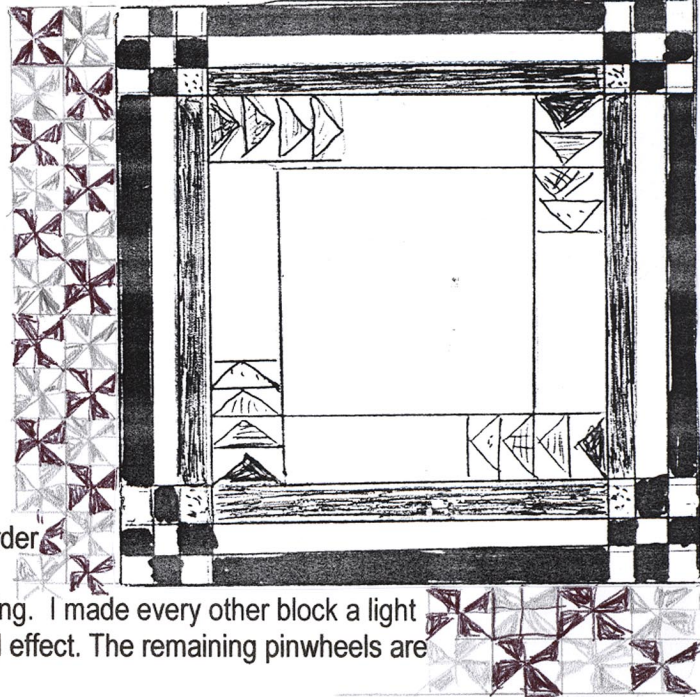


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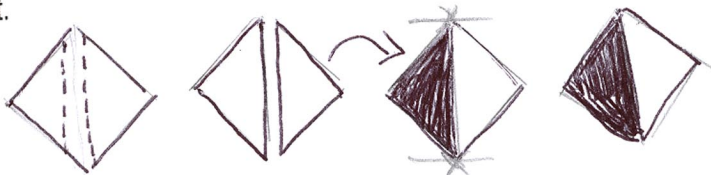
MYSTERY SCRAPPY SAMPLER II –Block 5, Pinwheel Border

Audition your fabric colors for the pinwheels shown in drawing. I made every other block a light with a slightly darker light to give the border a checkerboard effect. The remaining pinwheels are some variation of light with a medium or dark.

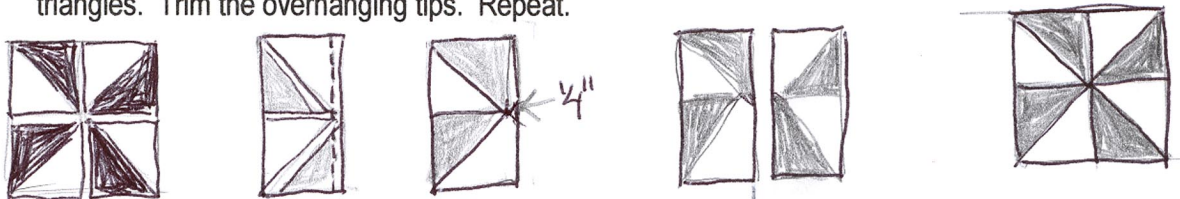
Cut lots of 3" squares, you will need 80 squares for each side and a few more for the ends. I cut them a strip at a time of light-light combinations and light dark combinations, then layered the 3" strips on top of each and cross cut into 3" squares.



Each pinwheel needs four 3" squares, two of each value, light/ dark. I love making pinwheels with the new "Angler 2" as it eliminates drawing diagonal lines on the back of the squares. Click here to see it.



Place two contrasting squares RST and use the easy to follow directions on the angler to sew diagonally across the squares. If you are ready to go without the angler draw a diagonal line across the back of the light square and sew a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on one side. Turn the square around and sew another diagonal seam with the angler's guide or on the other side of the line. Cut between your stitching lines and press the seam towards the dark, making two half square triangles. Trim the overhanging tips. Repeat.



Lay out the four pieced squared as shown, turning until they form a pinwheel. Sew two sets of two together. I press this seam OPEN. Before sewing the two sets into a pinwheel, use a small square ruler to check $\frac{1}{4}$ " on the side to be connected. Trim and square to $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the point if needed to create a sharper pinwheel. Make sure the rest of the rectangle measures at least $2\frac{1}{2}$ " wide before trimming. Press this seam open and trim pinwheel to $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". Make a few pinwheels and see if you like your color choices. Make lots more and sew them into rows to attach to your quilt.