## The Old Maid's Puzzle Quilt Block Pattern

(in 7 different sizes)


Skill level: Confident Beginner

## A block pattern from

## The Scissombail Quilbing Company

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## You need three fabrics that vary from light to dark.



Use the chart to determine what size to cut your patchwork pieces. (For a 10" block, use the measurements in the highlighted column.) When only one measurement is given in the chart, that indicates that the piece is cut as a square of that size. The chart may also indicate that some of your squares may need to be subcut:

= Subcut once on the diagonal
= Subcut twice on the diagonal
Sew all pieces together using a $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam and a 2.0 mm stitch.
Your unfinished block should measure 1/2" more than your finished size. (i.e. For a 10" finished block, your block should measure 10.5")

## Cutting Chart:

| Pieces | Subcut? | FINISHED SIZE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 6" | 8" | $9{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 10" | 11" | 12" | $15{ }^{\prime \prime}$ |
| A Cut 4 | No | 2 " | $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | 23/4" | $3{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | $31 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ | $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ | 41/4" |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { B } \\ & \text { Cut } 3 \end{aligned}$ |  | $23 / 8 "$ | $27 / 8 "$ | $31 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 3 3/8" | 3 5/8" | $37 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 4 5/8" |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{C} \\ & \text { Cut5 } \end{aligned}$ |  | $23 / 8 "$ | $27 / 8 "$ | $31 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 3 3/8" | 3 5/8" | $37 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 4 5/8" |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { D } \\ & \text { Cut } 21 \end{aligned}$ | $1$ | $37 / 8 "$ | 4 7/8" | 5 3/8" | $57 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | 6 3/8" | $67 / 8{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | $83 / 8 "$ |

## Block Assembly:

Arrange your patches as shown in the exploded diagram, paying careful attention to how you turn and position your light and dark triangles. Note that the block is a 4-patch. You will made each of the four corners first.

Begin by making HST units using pieces B \& C. Press to the dark side. Next, to make the top left and bottom right corners, take a BC HST unit and attach a piece C to each side, forming a triangle. Sew a piece D to this triangle to form a square.

To make the two other corners, sew two BC HST units with piece A squares to make a 4-patch.

Now that all four corners of the block are made, put them together as a 4-patch.


