

# The Darting Birds Quilt Block Pattern (in 5 different sizes)



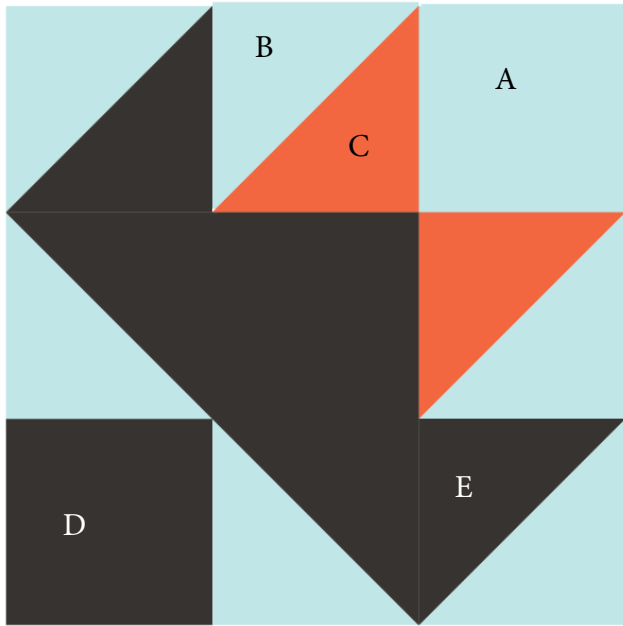
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You will need 3 fabrics ranging in value from light to dark.



The Darting Birds Quilt Block is a 9-patch (3x3 grid) that consists of squares and Half Square Triangles (HSTs).

Use the chart to determine what size to cut your patchwork pieces. (For a 6" 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" seam and a 2.0mm 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:

Note: if you prefer the [Quick Sew method](#) for making HSTs, do not subcut pieces A & B.

	Patch Shape	Subcut?	FINISHED SIZE				
			6"	9"	10"	12"	15"
A Cut 1		No	2 1/2" x 2 1/2"	3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	3 7/8" x 3 7/8"	4 1/2" x 4 1/2"	5 1/2" x 5 1/2"
B Cut 3			2 7/8" x 2 7/8"	3 7/8" x 3 7/8"	4 1/4" x 4 1/4"	4 7/8" x 4 7/8"	5 7/8" x 5 7/8"
C Cut 1			2 7/8" x 2 7/8"	3 7/8" x 3 7/8"	4 1/4" x 4 1/4"	4 7/8" x 4 7/8"	5 7/8" x 5 7/8"
D Cut 2		No	2 1/2" x 2 1/2"	3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	3 7/8" x 3 7/8"	4 1/2" x 4 1/2"	5 1/2" x 5 1/2"
E Cut 2			2 7/8" x 2 7/8"	3 7/8" x 3 7/8"	4 1/4" x 4 1/4"	4 7/8" x 4 7/8"	5 7/8" x 5 7/8"

## Block Construction:

Arrange your pieces as shown in the exploded diagram.

Sew your HST units together to make squares, then sew the rest of the block together as a 9-patch.

