

NOVEMBER 2024 BOM

This pattern was a free download (Sparkle pattern by Moda at the Fat Quarter Shop) for a whole quilt so I worked out what is needed to make one block but feel free to refer to the pattern for construction. Go to Sparkle by Moda at Fat Quarter Shop to get the free download.

For this one block I'm calling "**Scrappy Christmas Sparkle**" you will need:

Choose 2 CHRISTMAS fabrics. One **dark** print, one **medium** print, or one red, one green, etc.

from these cut: 4 - 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" **dark** print
4 - 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" **medium** print

Cut one **RED** 1 1/2" square for centre square

Background fabric: WHITE, LIGHT or LIGHT TONE-ON-TONE. A FQ will be plenty.

from this cut: 16 - 2 1/2" squares
4 - 1 1/2" x 4 1/2" for sashing

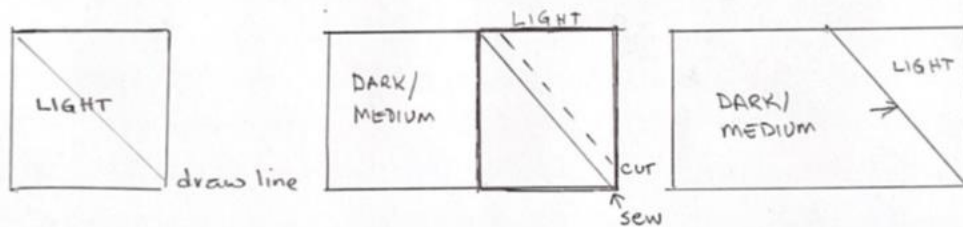
Note: Be mindful of pressing directions, which corners to place the squares on the rectangles and placement of blocks when sewing together. It goes together quite quickly (I've already made four!).

Enjoy!

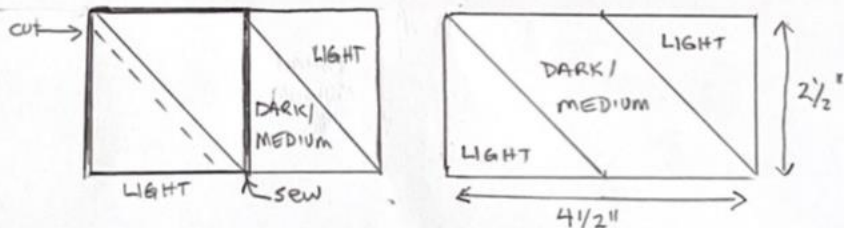
Construction:

(Use 1/4" seams. Press in the direction of the arrows in the diagrams.)

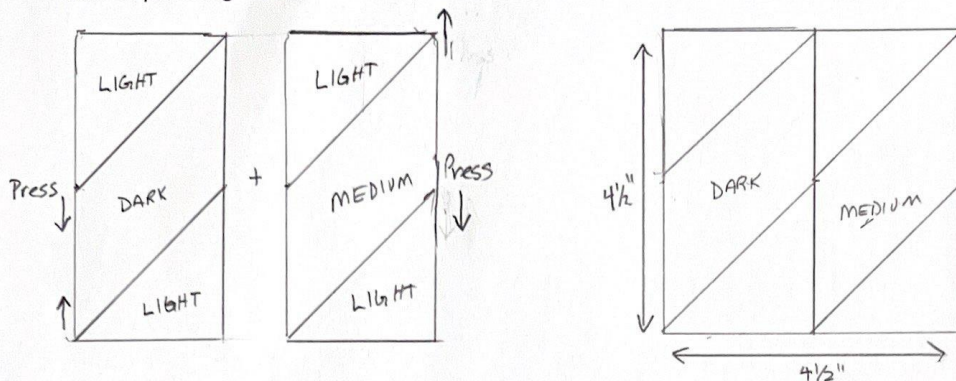
1. Mark a diagonal line on a 2 1/2" Background (BG) square and layer onto the corner of a 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" print fabric rectangle, right sides together and edges aligned. Sew on the drawn line. Trim 1/4" (dotted line) from the drawn line. Press to the corner.



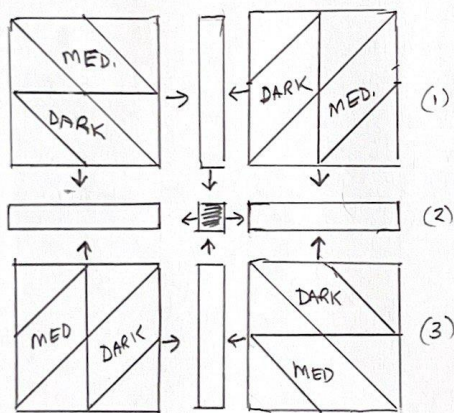
2. Mark a diagonal line on a 2 1/2" (BG) square and layer onto the opposite corner of the same print fabric rectangle, right sides together and edges aligned. Repeat stitch and flip techniques to complete rectangle unit measuring 2 1/2" x 4 1/2".



3. Repeat to make 8 rectangle units = 4 **medium** Christmas print, 4 **dark** Christmas print. Take note of pressing direction.



4. Sort the rectangle units into 4 sets of 2 rectangle units each with one **dark** and one **medium**. Make 4 identical rectangle units. Press the seam in one direction, or press open. Blocks measure $4\frac{1}{2}" \times 4\frac{1}{2}"$.
5. Layout (4) matching block quadrants, (4) $1\frac{1}{2}" \times 4\frac{1}{2}"$ block sashing strips and (1) $1\frac{1}{2}"$ RED fabric square according to diagram. Take note of block rotation.
6. Join the top two squares to sashing, then join left sashing to red square and right sashing, then bottom squares to sashing. Join three rows to complete a block. Press the seams to the sashing strip row.



7. Block should measure $9\frac{1}{2}" \times 9\frac{1}{2}"$