

## **Air Castle Block**

You will need four fabrics - dark, medium and light, as well as, a background fabric

Here are the cutting instructions for three different sizes

	6" finished	9" finished	12" finished
Background Fabric:	TWO 3" sqs ONE 3 1/4" sq FOUR 1 1/2" sq	TWO 4" sqs ONE 4 1/4" sq FOUR 2" sq	TWO 5" sqs ONE 5 1/4" sq FOUR 2 1/2" sq
Dark Fabric:	ONE 3 1/4" sq	ONE 4 1/4" sq	ONE 5 1/4" sq
Medium Fabric:	TWO 3" sqs	TWO 4" sqs	TWO 5" sqs
Light Fabric:	TWO 3" sqs ONE 2 1/2" sq	TWO 4" sqs ONE 3 1/2" sq	TWO 5" sqs ONE 4 1/2" sq

## To make HST squares

You will need two medium fabric squares and two background squares. Draw a line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the background squares, then sew ¼ " on both side of the line. Cut along the line and press open. Trim them to 2 ½ (3 ½ or 4 ½ for the larger sizes)

## Centre unit

For the centre unit, you will use the smallest light fabric and four of the smallest background squares. Start by drawing a diagonal line, corner to corner, on the wrong side of the background square Place one of these background squares in the corner of the light square. The diagonal line goes across the corner. Stitch on the line. Repeat on the opposite corner. Press those background squares in half so all points are meeting at the outer corner. Add the other two corners in the same way to complete the centre unit.



Position background square in corner of light fabric square



First two corners sewn in place



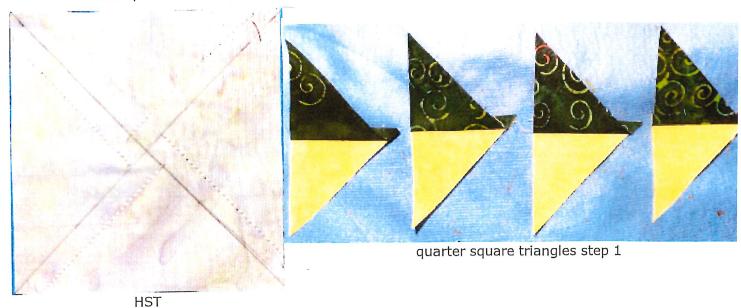
Press in place



Center unit

The star point.

On the wrong side of the background square, draw two diagonal lines from corner to corner in both directions. Sew ¼ from the right side of the line (only from the corner to the middle of the square) stopping when you get to the line. See image below. (You can use a slightly smaller seam, to provide more room for trimming) Next, cut along both lines and press the triangles unit open. Set aside



Cut two light fabric squares diagonally in half. Sew these triangles to the triangles in the first step. Trim to 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ " (3  $\frac{1}{2}$  or 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  for the larger sizes)



Sew all units together to complete block

