

PATCHPLAY

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JINGLE BELL SQUARE

8" x 8"

PINWHEEL STAR BLOCK

SUPPLIES:

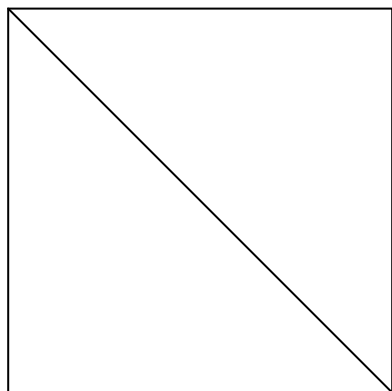
- 10" x 10" piece of gold fabric
- 6" x 10" piece of off-white fabric off-white background fabric
- 4" x 10" piece of dark teal fabric.
- 2" x 10" piece of red fabric

SPECIAL PRESSING NOTE:

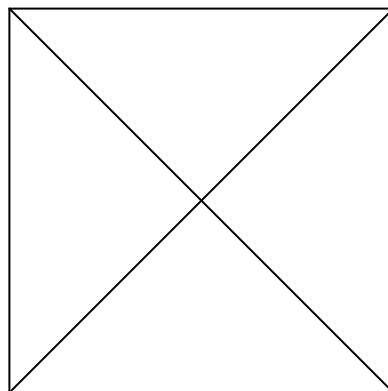
Because of the relatively small size of this block and the large number of pieces, I chose to press all seams OPEN, except for the seam joining the borders to the block. Those seams were pressed towards the borders.

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. From gold fabric cut two strips 2" x 9 ½" and two strips 2" x 6 ½" Also cut two 1 ⅞" squares and cut each square in half diagonally once to make four half-square triangles.
2. From off-white fabric cut four 2 ½" squares. Cut one 3 ¼" square, then cut this square twice diagonally to make four quarter-square triangles. Also cut two 1 ⅞" squares and cut each square in half once diagonally to make four half-square triangles.
3. From dark teal fabric cut two 3 ¼" squares and cut each square in half diagonally twice to make eight quarter-square triangles.
4. From red fabric cut four 1 ⅞" squares and cut each square in half diagonally once to make eight half-square triangles.

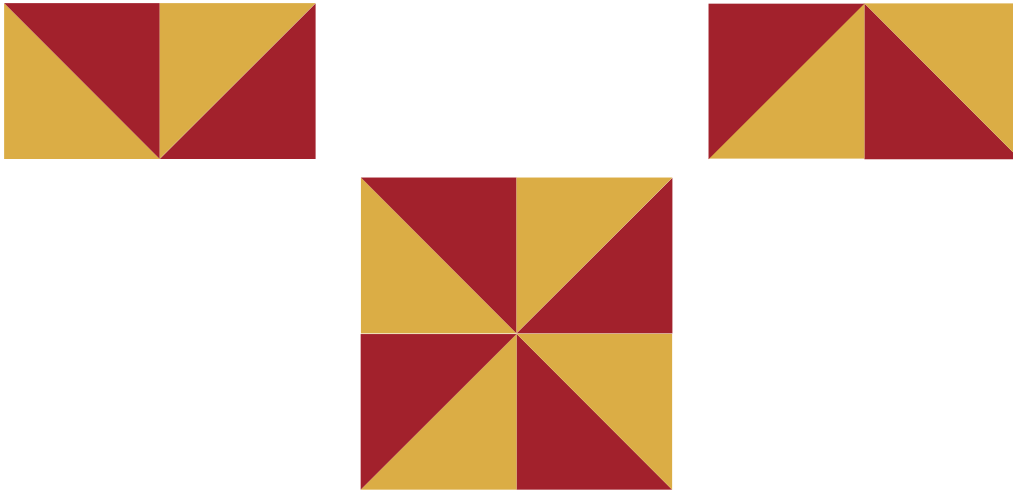


Half-square triangles



Quarter-square triangles

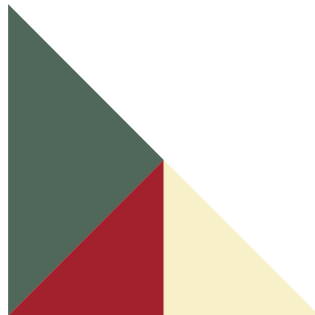
5. Make four gold and red squares by sewing a gold half-square triangle to a red half-square triangle. Sew two of these square together to make a strip, making sure the red triangle is always touching a gold triangle. Do this twice. Sew the two strips together, carefully matching points. This will make the center square of the block.



6. Make four quarter-square triangles by sewing a red quarter-square triangle to an off-white quarter-square triangle.



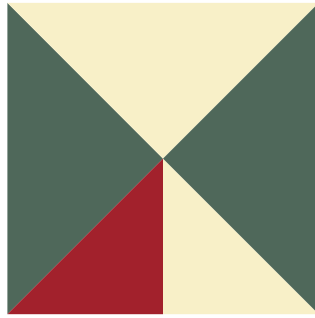
7. Make four half-square triangles by sewing a dark-teal quarter-square triangle to the red side of the red-and-off-white quarter-square triangles created in step 6.



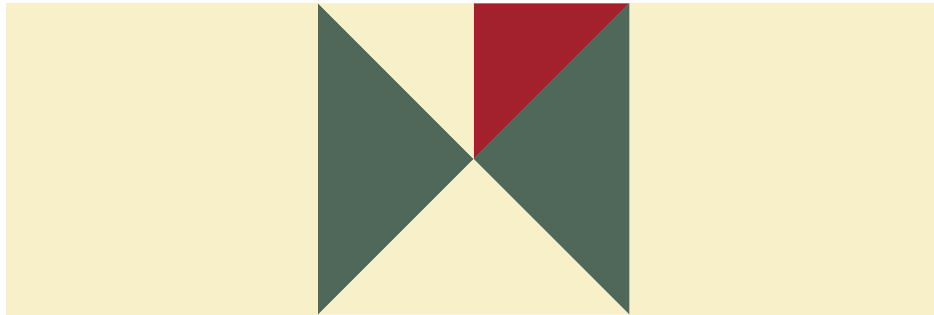
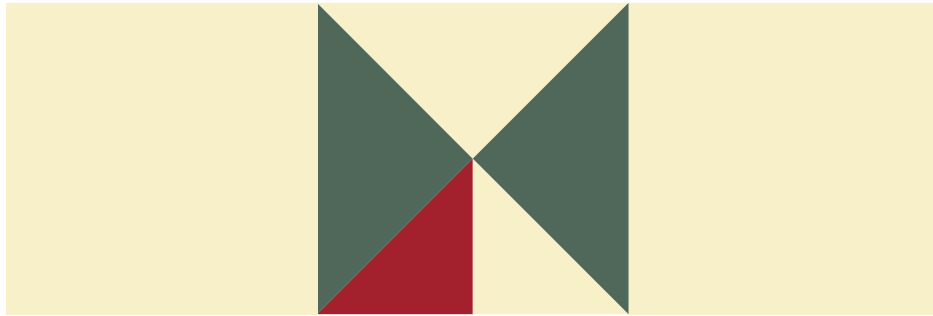
8. Make four half-square triangles by sewing a dark-teal-quarter-square triangle to an off-white quarter-square triangle.



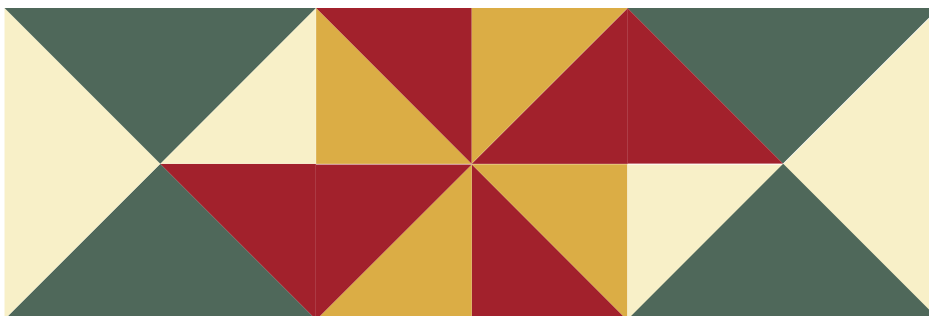
9. Make four squares by sewing the half-square triangles created in steps 7 and 8 together.



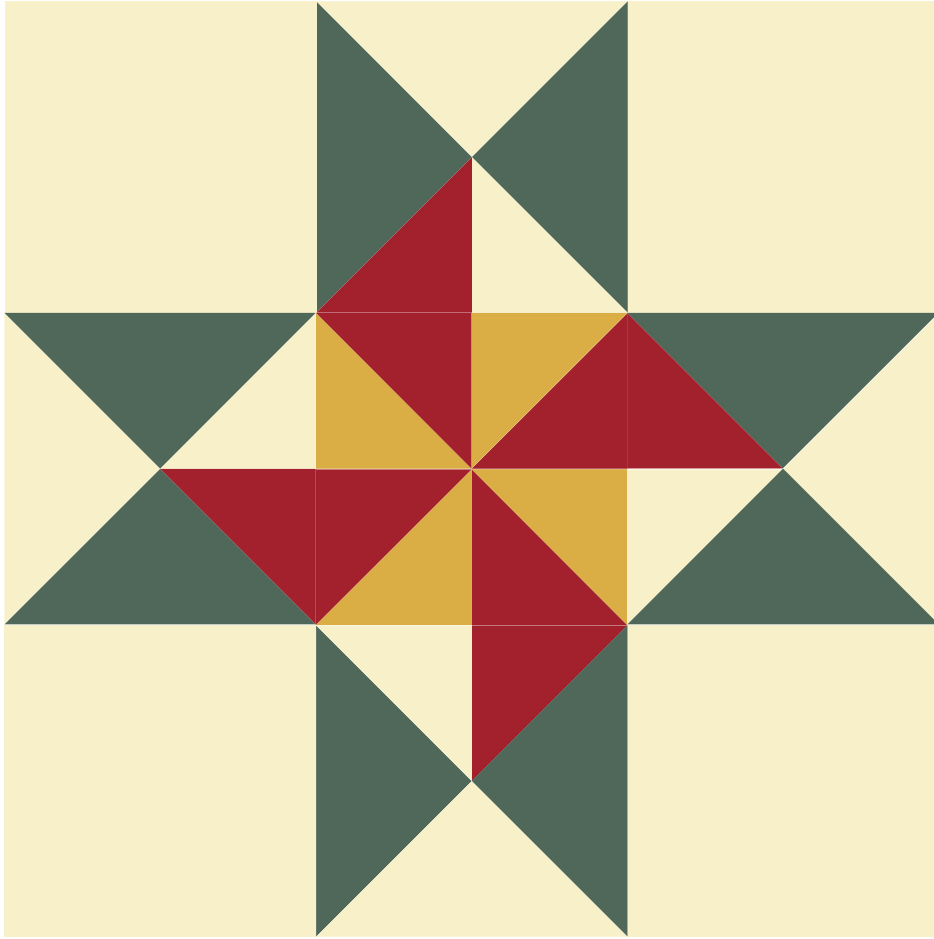
10. Make two strips by sewing one off-white square to each side of one of the squares created in step 9. Make sure the large off-white quarter-square triangle is to the top in one strip and to the bottom in the other.



11. Make one strip by sewing one teal, red, and off-white square to each side of the pinwheel block created in step 5. Make sure the red quarter-square triangles are next to each other and the large off-white quarter-square triangles are on the outside.



12. Sew strip 1 from step 10 to strip 2 from step 11. Sew strip 3 from step 10 to bottom of strips 1 and 2.



13. Sew 2" x 6 ½" gold strip to top and bottom of pieced block. Press seam to the gold border.
14. Sew 2" x 9 ½" gold strip to left and right side of pieced block. Press seam to the gold border.
15. Trim block on all four sides so it measures 8 ½" x 8 ½". You will be trimming approximately ½" from each of the borders.

Use the picture as your guide. This block is really just a fancy nine-patch. Precise cutting will make this block easy-peasy.

Thanks for playing with Patchplay!