

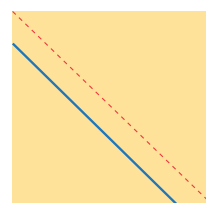
Half Square Triangles

Instructions

There are several ways to make half square triangles. It depends on how many you want to make at one time.

Make ONE Half Square Triangle

1. Cut two squares the desired size of HST. Example: Two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares make one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " HST.
2. Place them right sides together.
3. Mark from corner to corner.
4. Sew on the marked line.
5. Trim at $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

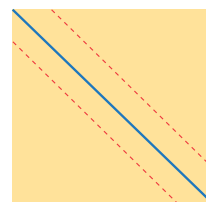


* Cut line is solid blue.
Sew line is dashed red

Make TWO Half Square Triangles

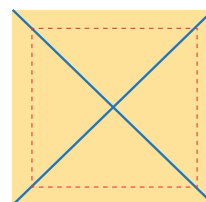
1. Cut two squares $\frac{1}{2}$ " larger than the desired cut size of the HST.
2. Place them right sides together.
3. Draw from corner to corner.
4. Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " from each side.
5. Cut and press open.

Example: To make $2\frac{1}{2}$ " HST, CUT 3" squares



Make FOUR Half Square Triangles

1. To measure for the size of squares to cut, divide the unfinished HST size by 0.64.
2. Round up to the nearest measurement.
3. Sew a straight stitch all the way around the edge of the square using $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam.
4. Using your rotary blade, cut through the square from corner to corner.



Make EIGHT Half Square Triangles

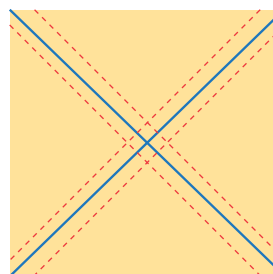
1. Determine what size HST are desired.
TIP: I think it's easier to go up that $\frac{1}{8}$ " when cutting the squares.
2. Place two squares right sides together.
3. Draw two diagonal lines from corner to corner.
4. Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on each side of both of your lines.
5. Cut through the center of all layers horizontally, and vertically- visualize cutting an "X" and "+".
6. This makes eight HST.

For example:

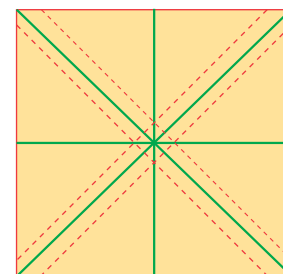
2 inch finished: $2\frac{1}{2}" + 2\frac{1}{2}" + \frac{7}{8}" = 5\frac{7}{8}"$ (6") squares

1.5 inch finished: $2" + 2" + \frac{7}{8}" = 4\frac{7}{8}"$ (5") squares

1 inch finished: $1\frac{1}{2}" + 1\frac{1}{2}" + \frac{7}{8}" = 3\frac{7}{8}"$ (4") squares



* Mark line is solid blue.
Sew line is dashed red



* Cut line is solid green.
Sew line is dashed red