

Stair Step Cutting Directions



The blocks will be 14 inches finished size. The quilt will be 4 x6 blocks with an extra border on the left side and the bottom, bringing the quilt to 60 X 88 inches.

Fabric requirements:

Focus fabric: for all different fabrics, 24 pieces at least 9x12.

For all blocks to be the same, 2 yards of focus fabric.

Background fabric: 3.5 yards

Each block:

Focus fabric: 1 square 7.5 raw and 2 squares 4 inches raw.

Background: 1 square 7.5 raw, 2 squares 4 inches raw, and 1 rectangle 4 X 14.5.

Cutting Directions

Focus fabric (24 blocks):

If each block has a different fabric, for each block: Cut one 7.5-inch square. Cut two 4-inch squares.

If each block has the same fabric, follow the cutting directions for the background 7.5-inch squares and 4-inch squares.

Background:

Cut 4 4-inch WOF strips. Set aside, labeled "bottom and left side borders for stair step charity quilt."

Cut 2 7.5-inch strips. Cut these into 7.5-inch squares. Continue cutting strips (6 total) and making squares until you have 24 squares. Use the leftovers to make 4-inch squares (need 48, you should get 12).

Cut 4 4-inch WOF strips. Cut each strip into 2 14.5X4-inch rectangles and 2 4-inch squares. Continue making WOF strips (12 total) and cutting them into rectangles and squares until you have 24 rectangles.

Cut 2 4-inch WOF strips. You should have 36 4-inch squares. Cut the strips into 12 4-inch squares.



Stair Step Piecing Directions

The blocks will be 14 inches finished size. The quilt will be 4x6 blocks with an extra border on the left side and the bottom, bringing the quilt to 60 X 88 inches.

Each block will need:

Focus fabric: 1 square 7.5 raw and 2 squares 4 inches raw.
Background (grey): 1 square 7.5 raw, 2 squares 4 inches raw, and 1 rectangle 4 X 14.5.



Start with the four smaller squares. Sew one background square to one focus fabric square to make two units of two squares.



Sew one of these two-square units to the larger square of the background fabric. Place the larger background square on the right and the two-square unit is on the left with the bottom of the focus fabric lined up with the bottom of the larger background square.



Sew the other two-square unit to the larger focus fabric square. The larger focus fabric square is on the left and the two-square unit is on the right with the focus fabric square lined up with the bottom of the larger focus fabric square.



Sew these units together so that the focus fabric makes a stair step.



Sew the rectangle to the right hand side of the block, as shown.