

Square in a Square

Quilt size: 35" x 41"

Block: 6 1/2" finishes to 6"

For each Block: Dark, or bright accent fabric plain or tone on tone for center square.

Cut: 2 strips 2 1/2" x 40" then cross cut into 2 1/2" squares. You need 30 center squares.

A good variety of coloured fabrics for outer edges of the blocks, and that contrast or coordinate with the center square. If you want each block to be different you need 30 different fabrics; OR you can choose 15 different fabrics and have two blocks made from each.

30 different fabrics: Cut each strip 2 1/2" x 20"

Then cross cut into 2 – 2 1/2" squares and 2 – 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" segments

15 different fabrics: Cut each strip 2 1/2" x 40"

Then cross cut into 2 – 2 1/2" squares and 2 – 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" segments

You will get 2 blocks from a 2 1/2" x 40" strip.

Scraps may be used: Each block has one center square and one other fabric.

Borders: Cut 4 strips 3" x 40".

Make Blocks: Stitch a 2 1/2" square to two opposite sides of the center square. Stitch with 1/4" seams and press then stitch a 6 1/2" segment to the remaining opposite sides of the center square. Check that the block measures 6 1/2" square.

Assemble quilt: Arrange layout 5 blocks across and 6 rows down. Play with the layout until you like it and stitch the blocks together with 1/4" seams. Add the borders, sides first, then top and bottom. VERY EASY and can produce a stunning quilt.

