

2022 Block of the Month: It's Christmas All Year Long

Block #14: Candy Cane

Instructions:

You will need three fabrics:

Fabric A: Background fabric

Fabric B: Color 1 (green, in example) Candy Cane

Fabric C: Color 2 (red, in example) Candy Cane



Cutting:

From Fabric A: Cut the following

One - 3" square, cut once on the diagonal

One - 2 ½" square

One - 4 ½" x 8 ½" rectangle

From Fabric B: Cut the following

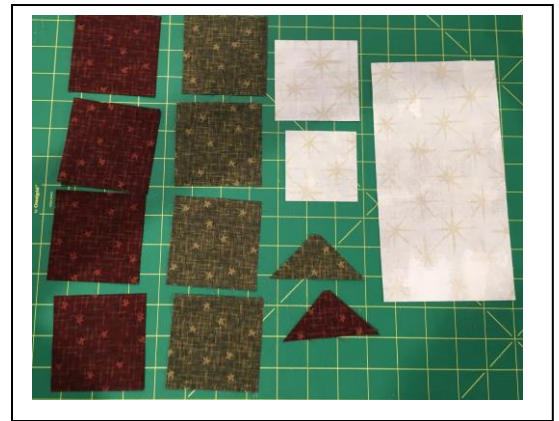
Five - 3" squares, cut one square once on the diagonal

One - 1 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle

From Fabric C: Cut the following

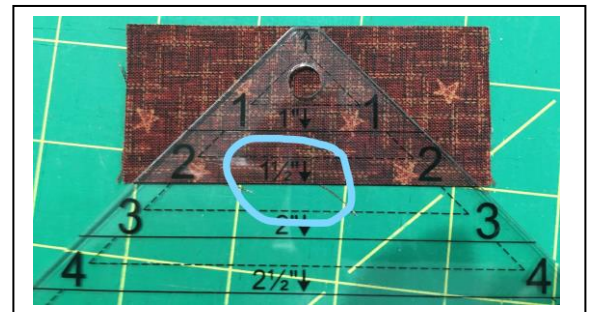
Four - 3" squares

One - 1 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle



Cutting using the 45-degree Ruler:

Put the 1 ½" line on the bottom of the 1 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle, cut on each 45-degree side. Do this for both Fabric B and Fabric C. **Note:** The 1 ½" line is shown with a down arrow in the center of the ruler.



Sewing:

Step 1: Use ¼" seams throughout.

Step 2: Using the Half Square Triangle (HST) method, take the four 3" squares each of Fabrics B and Fabric C to make eight Fabric B/C units. Trim to 2 ½" square. You will need seven Fabric B/C units.



Step 3: To make the Fabric A/B HST, use one Fabric A triangle (from the square cut on the diagonal) and one Fabric B triangle (from the square cut on the diagonal). Trim to 2 ½" square. You will need one of this Fabric A/B unit. See top of photo.

Step 4: To make what I will call the Half Hourglass unit for the front edge of the candy cane, sew one Fabric B and one Fabric C small triangles together. Sew one large Fabric A triangle to the small triangle unit. Trim to 2 ½" square. See bottom of photo.



Step 5: Using the photo as a guide, lay out the pieces to make the candy cane. Sew the top two rows and then sew them together. Sew the column of HST together, then sew to the $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " Fabric A rectangle. Sew the two parts together.



Block #14, *Candy Cane*, will measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ " by $12\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished and 6" by 12" in the quilt.