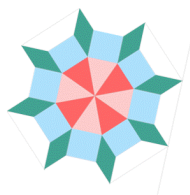
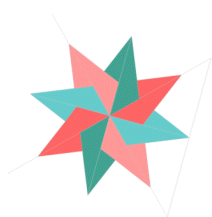
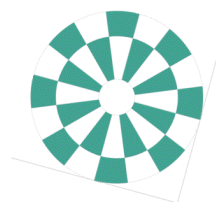
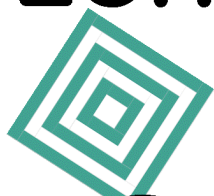


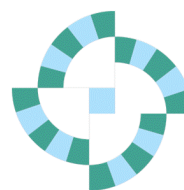
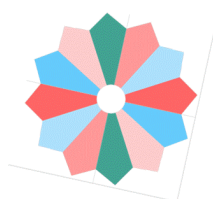
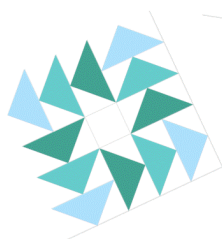
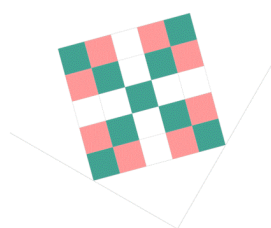
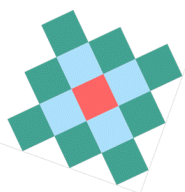
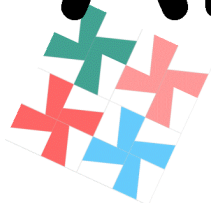
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## Introducing Riviera Quilters

# TECHNIQUE OF THE MONTH

## QUILT ALONG

To celebrate our 30 year anniversary with the friends we have made along the way  
To welcome newer members and encourage them to learn all the techniques required in quilt making,  
To thank our longer term members for their loyalty and challenge them to put their own spin on the idea and show us their style.

### THE PLAN -

The finished quilt will measure 60" X 72" without borders,

It is a sampler quilt in design but using fairly traditional blocks in modern setting. Blocks will range from 5" to 12" with lots in between. Every block will have a finished size, however the aim is to enjoy the journey and not stress if your block does not measure up. The final setting for the quilt will allow for all these discrepancies.

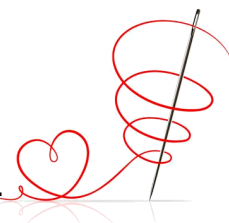
In honour of our 30th birthday there are 30 blocks to make over 10 months; that means 3 blocks per month however some are very simple so don't be deterred.

Every month you will receive instructions on a new technique/s and the patterns to make 3 blocks using those techniques.

The first few months will involve rotary cutting and machine piecing, Gradually we will work our way through to hand piecing and applique.

There will also be a demonstration on the techniques at Riviera Quilters gathering on the first Saturday every month. This is where you will pick up lots of information and tips that aren't possible in print.

Sew; let the fun begin.



## TECHNIQUE OF THE MONTH

### REQUIREMENTS

#### FABRICS

The quilt was designed to allow you to use scraps from your stash, so if you have been collecting fabrics for a while, now is your chance to use them.

- **COLOURED FABRICS**

A selection of approximately 2½ m coloured fabrics ranging from light to dark. If you are new to patchwork and don't have a lot of fabric, start with a selection of about 6 Fat 1/4's and build your stash as you go. Don't get too bogged down with one or two fabrics, that way you won't be disappointed if you run out.

- **BACKGROUND**

Approximately 3½ m of fabric for background. A background fabric is usually a neutral that will highlight your coloured fabrics. Consider whites, creams, beiges or even navy blue or black - you can usually pick a background from the coloured fabrics you choose.

A background need not be just one fabric, you could easily use a selection of fabrics in a similar neutral shade.

#### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

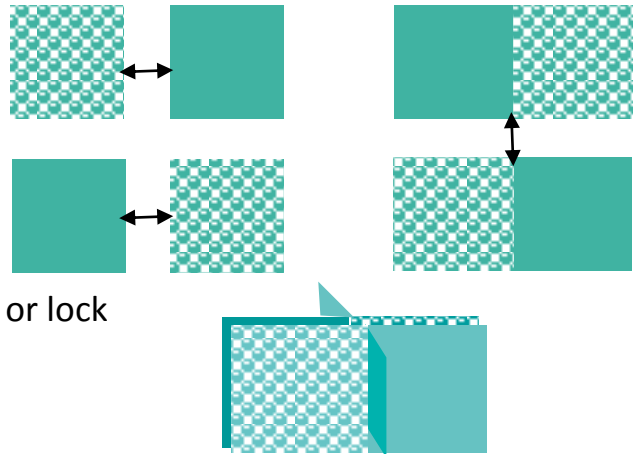
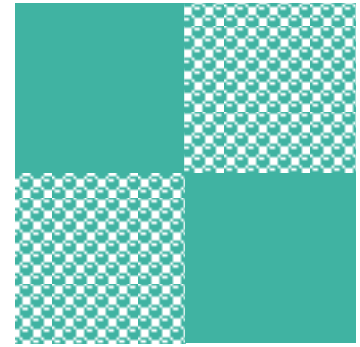
- Many of you will have all the equipment you need to get started, however if you are very new to patchwork and would like some guidance please don't hesitate to contact [liz.rivieraquilters@gmail.com](mailto:liz.rivieraquilters@gmail.com).
- Month 1 will require rotary cutting equipment (rotary cutter; ruler & cutting board) and a sewing machine.
- If there are specific products required for a particular technique it will be indicated on that specific technique page, however we are trying to keep to the basic tools.

# TECHNIQUE BASICS

## FOUR PATCH

### To make a single Four Patch

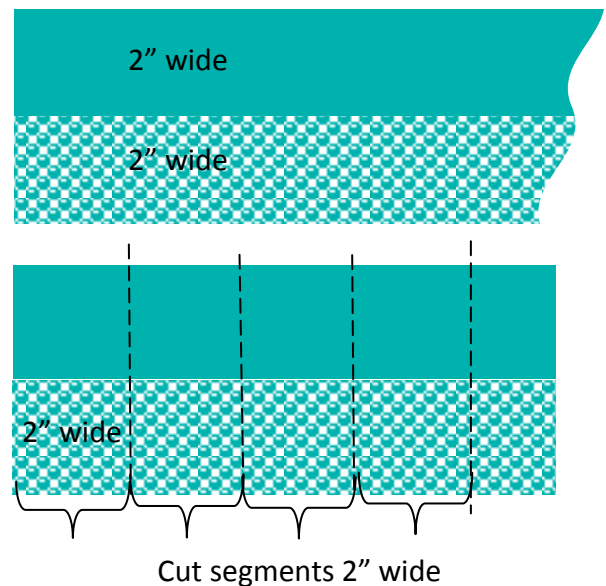
- If you only have a few Four Patch units to make or you are after a scrappy look, you may wish to cut individual squares.
- Cut 4 squares the required size  
**To calculate what size you will need to cut add  $\frac{1}{2}$ " to the required finished size.**
- Join the squares together in pairs using a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam
- Press the seams toward the darker fabric
- Join the pairs together making sure you 'butt' or lock the seams together.



### To make multiple Four Patches

The easiest way to make multiple Four Patches is to use strip piecing.

- Cut strips from 2 different fabrics.
- Sew the strips together down the long sides
- Use a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam
- Press the seam toward the darker fabric
- Cut the strip sets cross wise using the same measurement as the width of the strips.
- By cutting the strips 2" wide you would finish with a 3" square Four Patch
- Sew the segments together in pairs
- You now have a Four Patch block.



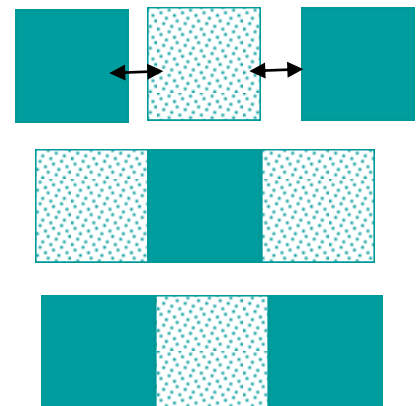
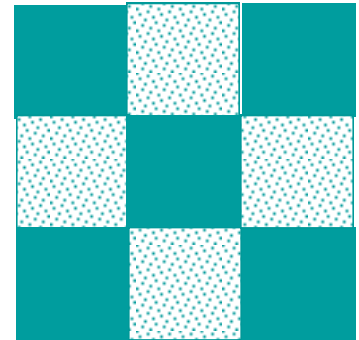
# TECHNIQUE BASICS

## NINE PATCH

### To make a single Nine Patch

If you only have a few Nine Patch units to make or you are after a scrappy look, you may wish to cut individual squares.

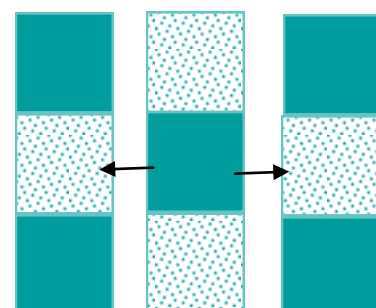
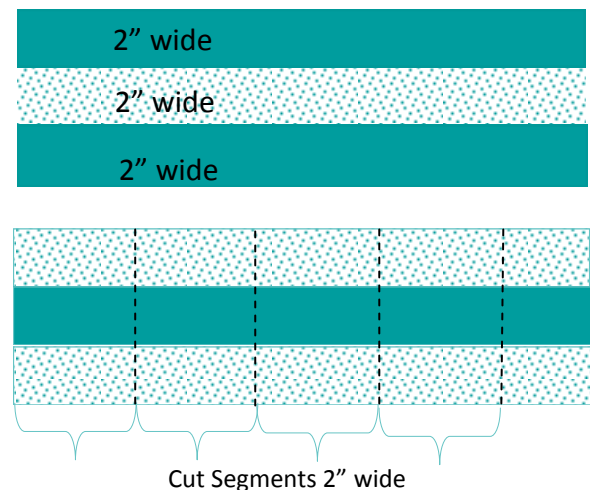
- Cut 5 squares the required size from dark fabric
- Cut 4 squares the required size from light fabric
- Join the squares together in rows using a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam
- Press the seams toward the darker fabric
- Join the rows together making sure the seams nest together nicely.



### To make multiple Nine Patches

The easiest way to make multiple Nine Patches is to use strip piecing.

- Cut 3 strips from dark fabric
- Cut 3 strips from light fabric
- Sew strips together down the long sides making 2 different sets
- Press the seams toward the darker fabric
- Cut the strip sets cross wise using the same measurement as the width of the strips.
- Sew the segments together as per the diagram.
- Press seams toward the darker fabric where possible or in this case toward the outside edge.
- You now have a Nine Patch block.



## BLOCK 1 - COUNTRY LANES

5" finished

### CUTTING

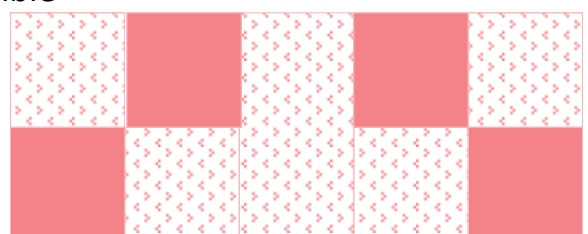
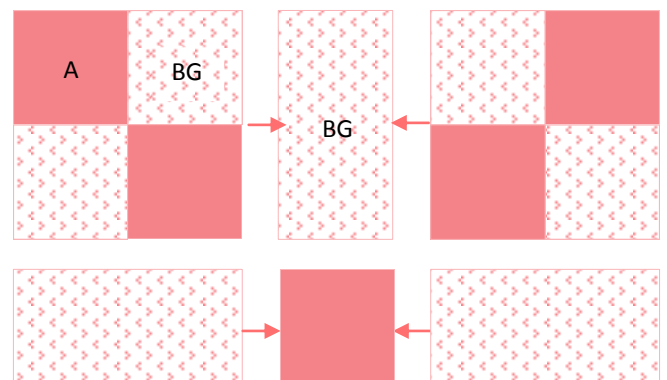
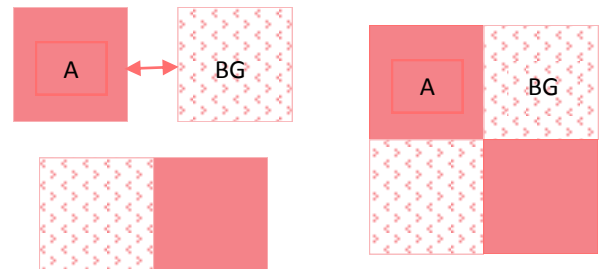
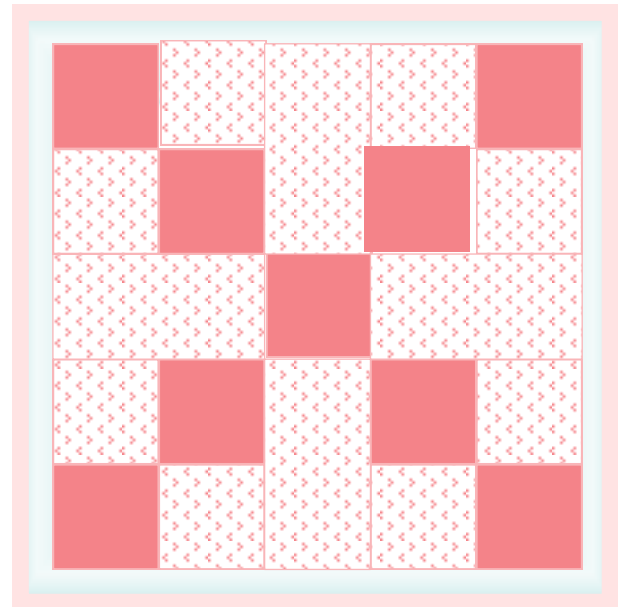
TO CUT THIS BLOCK TRADITIONALLY		
FABRIC	NUMBER OF PIECES	CUT SIZE
A	9	1 1/2" square
BG	8	1 1/2" square
BG	4	1 1/2" X 2 1/2"
NOTE: BG indicates background fabric		

TO STRIP PIECE THE FOUR PATCH UNITS		
FABRIC	NUMBER OF STRIPS	STRIP SIZE
A	1	1/2" X 13"
BG	1	1 1/2" X 13"
TO COMPLETE THE BLOCK		
BG	4	1 1/2" X 2 1/2"
A	1	1 1/2" square

### SEWING

Refer to the directions in Block Basics for making a Four Patch

Press seams toward the darker fabric where possible

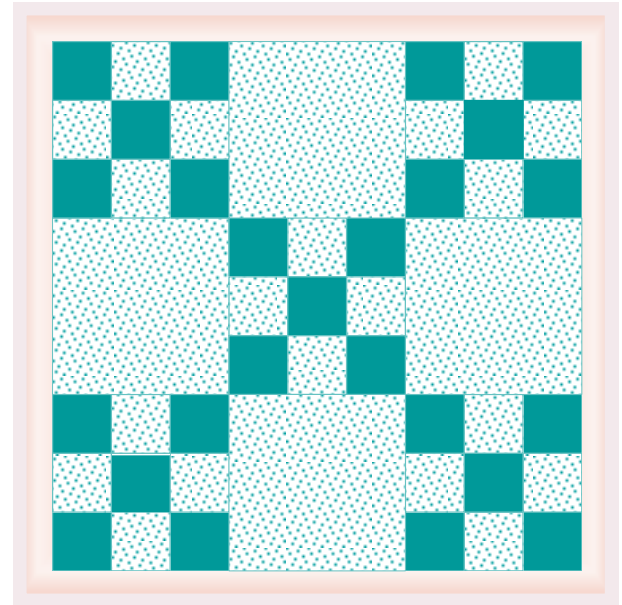


## BLOCK 2 - DOUBLE NINE PATCH

9" finished

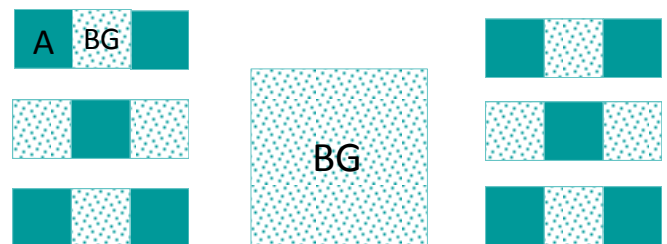
### CUTTING

TO STRIP PIECE THE NINE PATCH UNITS		
FABRIC	NUMBER OF STRIPS	STRIP SIZE
A	3	1½" X 16"
BG	3	1½" X 16"
TO COMPLETE THE BLOCK		
BG Background	4	3 ½" X 3 ½"

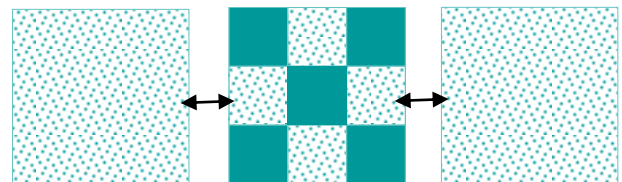
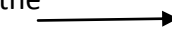


### SEWING

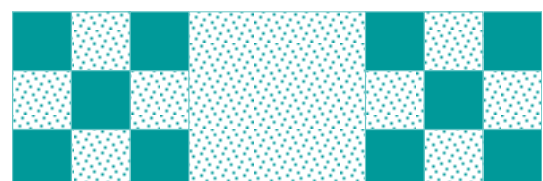
Refer to Block Basics for instructions on strip piecing the Nine Patch units.



Join the Nine Patch units in rows with the 3½" background squares as per diagram





Join the 3 rows together taking care to nest or lock the seams together.

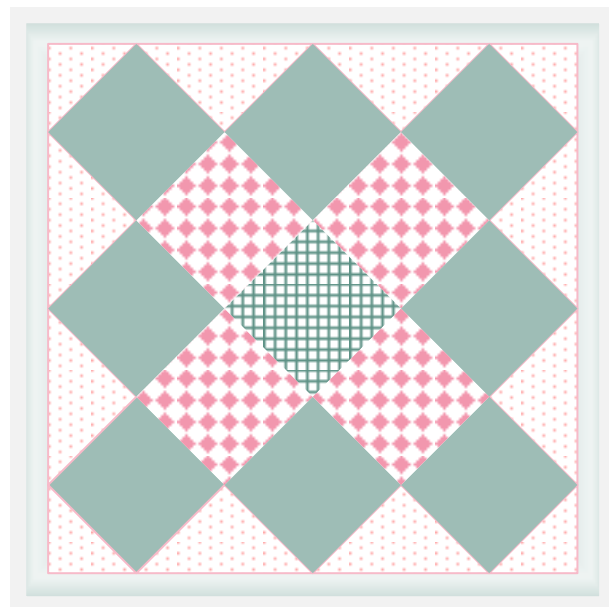


## BLOCK 3 - GRANNY'S SQUARE

8 1/2 " finished

### CUTTING

TO CUT THIS BLOCK TRADITIONALLY			
FABRIC	NUMBER OF PIECES	CUT SIZE	
A	8	2 1/2" square	
B	4	2 1/2" square	
C	1	2 1/2" square	
BG	2	3" squares	Cut in half 
BG	2	5" squares	Cut in four 
NOTE: BG indicates background fabric			



### SEWING

Lay the pieces out as per diagram.

Sew the squares together in rows using a 1/4" seam

Please note -  
the outside triangles are quite a bit larger than required. This is to make it easier to square the block up when you are finished.

Press the seams in the direction of the arrows.

