Patience Corners Instructions for cutting and piecing using 6 ½ inch square Accuquilt GO die

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This is a quick and easy quilt that I have made many times. The instructions here have been revised so that this can be cut from a single die using the Accuquilt GO. You will see the similarities in this method and the 'Disappearing Nine Patch' block. While I like the 'Disappearing Nine Patch', I absolutely love the Patience Corners block.

I believe that the stitching effort of the rotary cut pieces and the Accuquilt GO cut pieces is similar. But cutting with the Accuquilt GO is so much easier on my shoulders and so much faster.

Here's a picture of one of my Patience Corners quilts.



Note: Please feel free to use these instructions to make your own quilts or to make charity quilts for others. You may make copies of these instructions, but please do not remove my name as the author.

Cut 6 ½ inch squares (see block image below) using the 6 ½ inch die.

For each block:

Cut 4 dark 6 ½ inch squares.

Cut 2 light 6 ½ inch squares.

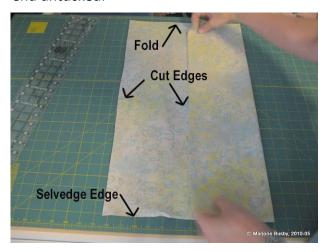
6 ½ x 6 ½ inches	6 ½ x 6 ½ inches	6½ x 6½ inches
	6 ½ x 18 ½ inches	
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Cut the center light strip 18 inches x WOF (width of fabric) as shown.





With the fabric folded with the selvedge edges together, fold the strip into thirds so that the cut edges are folded in and the selvedge and fabric fold are on either end. Think of it as a wrap with no filling and the end untucked.

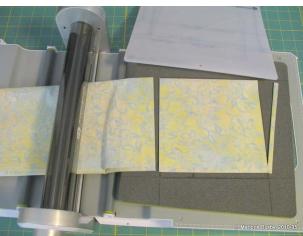




Position your 'wrap' lengthwise on the die so that it is completely inside the side blades on the 6 ½ inch square die as shown. The edge entering the roller should be square with the upper blade and the excess fabric should be hanging off the back edge of the die.

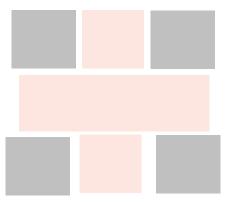








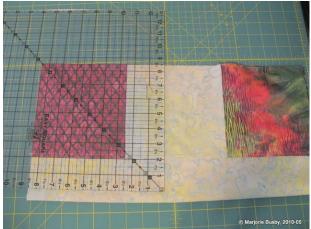
Piece block as shown in the diagram, first stitching two dark and one light 6 ½ inch squares together to make the top and bottom rows. Then stitch the rows to either side of the long center strip.



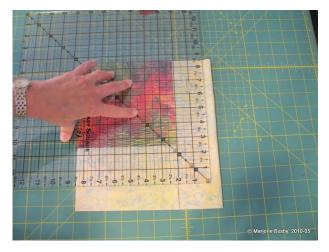
Cut block apart into four squares that look like this. Use a ruler and rotary cutter so that each block is exactly the same size. For this block, I like to make each of these squares 8 ½ inches which gives me a 16 inch finished block. There will be some waste from the center cut; however, making sure they are the same size is most important here.

This shows how I cut the four squares apart. I fold the pieced block in half matching the corners very carefully. Then I take a square ruler and cut across the side and the top.



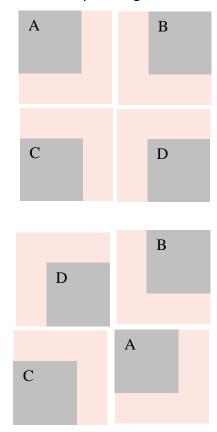


I then take the remaining block, align it so that the outer edges are even and cut it the same size as the first two blocks.





Rearrange the four squares into a new block by moving D into the A position and A into the D position.



Complete the quilt by stitching the blocks together into rows and the rows together into a quilt, matching corners and pressing seams in the opposite direction at seam intersections. Add border, if desired, using the 2 ½ inch Accuquilt GO strip die. Quilt and bind.

