

Scrappy Lattice

Finished Size 46 x 62"

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Patchwork: Assorted dark colored scraps (about 2 to 3 yard depending on the size of the pieces)

Corners: 48 - 5" charms, or 1 yard, or assorted light scraps

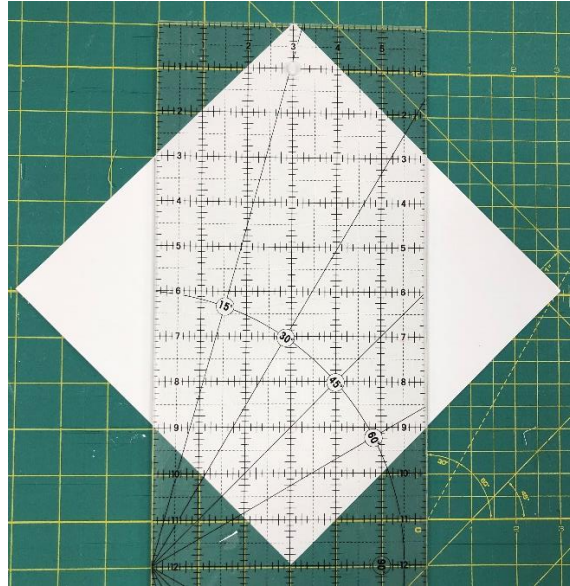
Inner Border: ½ yard

Outer Border: 1 yard

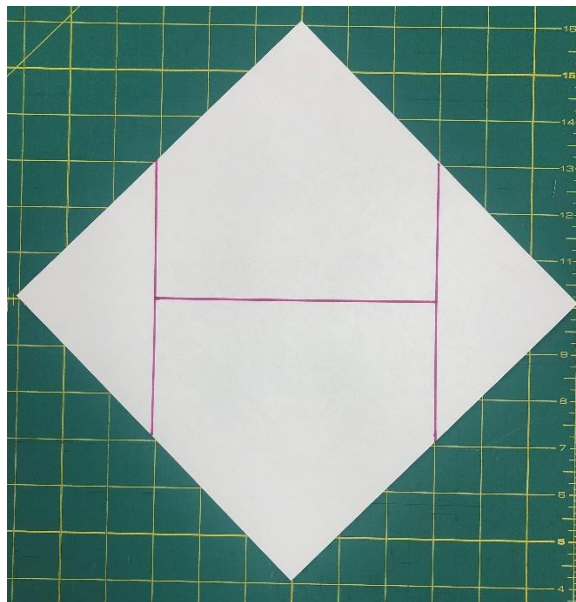
Backing: 3 yards

This pattern does not have a lot of rules – you can use almost any size scraps to make the blocks, but here are some guidelines that will help you out!

Take 24 pieces of 8 ½ x 11" paper (regular copy paper or newsprint works) and trim to 8 ½ x 8 ½" square. Mark 2 lines as shown below. I used my 6" wide plastic ruler, lined up the 3" line on two opposite corners, and drew on each side of the ruler. The area between these two lines is the section that we will be covering with patchwork.



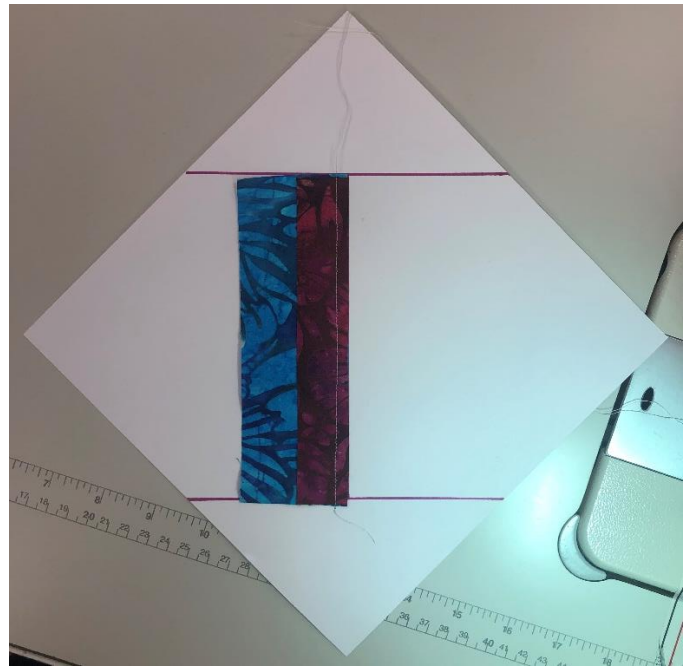
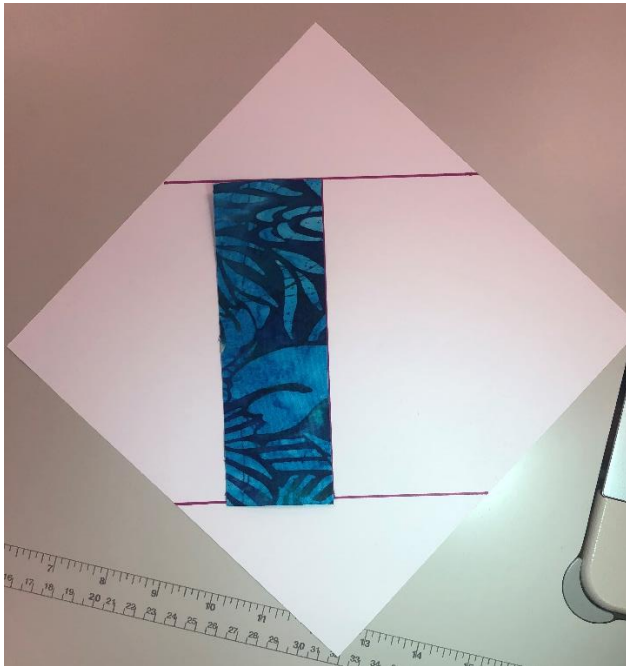
Then make one more line along the opposite diagonal just between the two lines you have already drawn like the picture below.



Select some coordinating fabrics from your scraps, or cut pieces from either jelly roll strips, layer cake or charm squares so you have some in a variety of widths between ¾" up to about 2" wide. I found it easiest to trim the length of most of these scraps down to about 7" long.

Adjust your sewing machine's stitch length so it has very small stitches (about 20 per inch). This will make it much easier to remove the paper after your block is sewn.

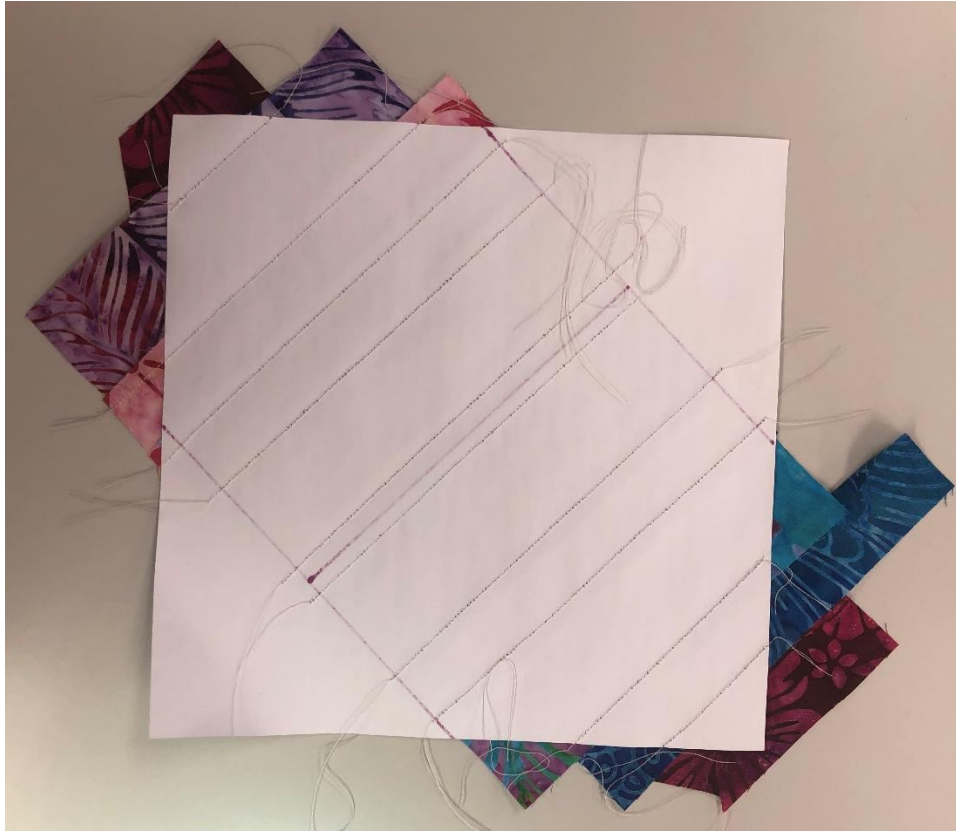
Set your first scrap onto the paper with one edge along the line that is in the middle of the block with the right side facing up. Set a second scrap on top of the first piece lining up the raw edges and making sure that the pieces are long enough to reach the lines (see picture below). Use a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam to stitch the pieces together.



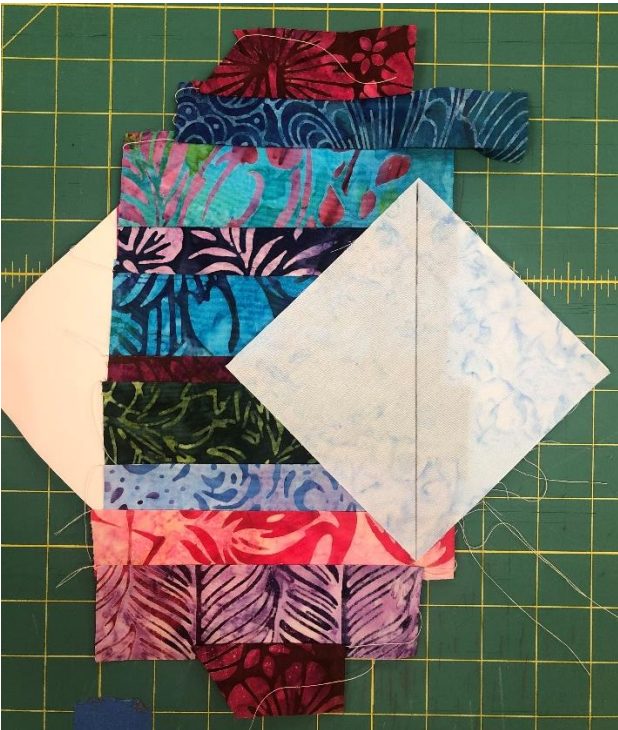
Fold the second piece along the stitching line and finger press. Add a third piece, and keep adding pieces on the right side of the block until the entire section of the paper between the lines is covered. Turn the block around and use the same method to add pieces to the left side of the block.



Here is what the block looks like from the back side:

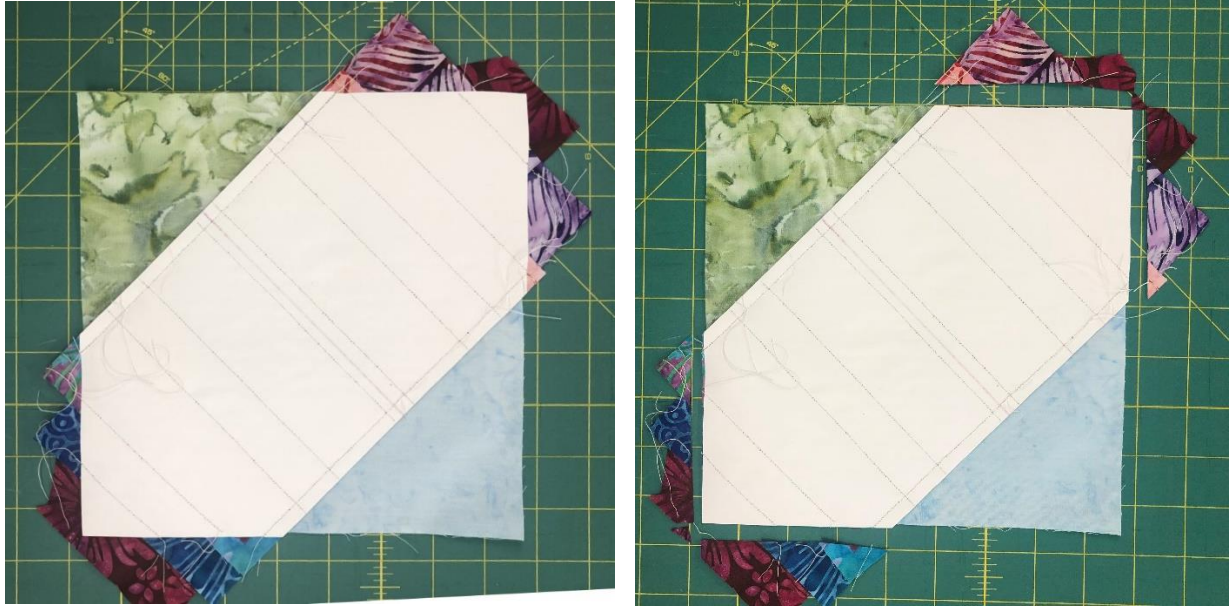


Take a 5" square (or cut them if you are using yardage) and make a diagonal line on the back side from corner to corner. Line up the edges of the 5" square with the edges of the paper as shown below. Stitch along the drawn line. Fold along the stitched line and press. Open up the fold and trim off the bottom layers so only $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance is left.



Repeat for the second corner.

Place the block right side down on your cutting mat. Trim off excess fabric so the edges are even with the paper (you are not cutting the paper, just the fabric).



Remove all the remaining paper backing. It tears away pretty easily if your stitch length is small, and you can use tweezers to help remove the tiny pieces if necessary.



Repeat the process to make 24 blocks. Lay out the blocks as shown in the picture of the finished quilt, or twist and turn the blocks to create your own design!

Inner border: Cut 5 @ 2 ½" WOF (width of fabric). Stitch into one long piece and stitch onto all 4 sides of the quilt.

Outer border: Cut 5 @ 5 ½" WOF. Stitch into one long piece and stitch onto all 4 sides of the quilt.

Quilt, bind, and enjoy!



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Your scraps can be all different sizes and do not have to have parallel edges, but each edge should be straight. The blocks above were pieced with a variety of different shapes. If your scrap is not long enough, just stitch another piece onto it and trim it so the edge is straight before stitching onto the paper.

If you want to use scraps for the corners, then after piecing the center section, re-draw the first lines you put onto the paper, but this time draw on top of your piecing (I used a white chalk pencil on the blocks above). Then add scrap strips to form the corners.