

Pieciful Crayons

Have some fun with this!

Background: 4 strips $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 9''$ plus $4\frac{1}{2}''$ square for center

Center: Can be the same as the background or a fun 4'' panel, embroidery or applique

Scraps of fabric for the crayons, $2\frac{1}{2}''$ strips work really well

Stripes: Dark color, about $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8''$

Cut

Background:

Cut 4 squares, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$

Cut 4 strips $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$

$4\frac{1}{2}''$ center

Crayon tips: 1 of each color, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$ square

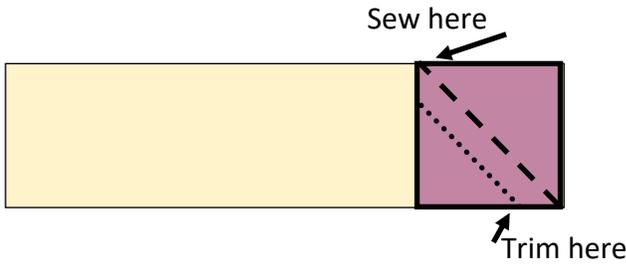
Stripes: Cut 8 pieces, $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 1''$

Main Crayons: Cut $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10''$ strips of each color



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Lay a crayon tip square (2 1/2") on the end of a background strip, right sides together. Sew corner to corner as shown. Trim 1/4" from the seam line. Press open. Repeat for all 4 crayons



For each crayon:

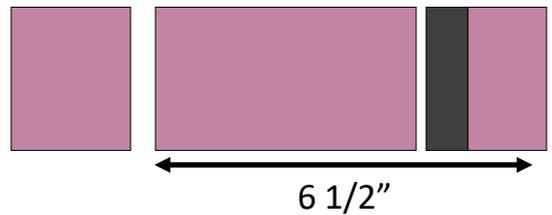
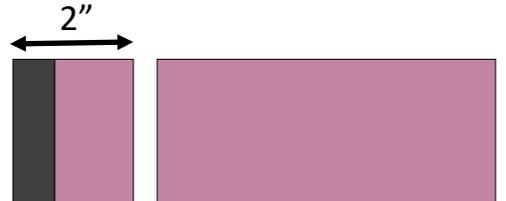
Sew a stripe (1" x 2 1/2") to the end of each crayon strip

Press open

Trim crayon strip to 2" from the edge of the stripe

Sew the stripe edge to the remaining crayon strip

Press open. Trim strip to 6 1/2"

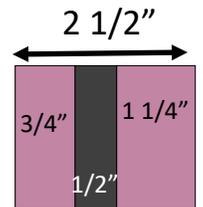
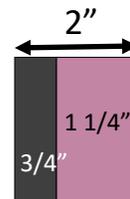


For the bottom of each crayon:

Sew a stripe to the remaining crayon strip

Press open. Trim strip to 2" from the edge of the stripe

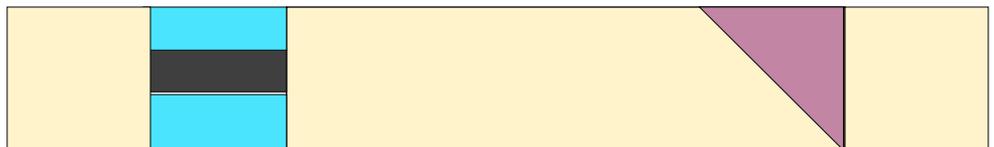
Sew remaining strip to opposite edge of the stripe. Trim to 2 1/2"



For opposite sides:

Sew a 2 1/2" background square next to a crayon tip as shown

Sew a crayon bottom to the opposite end. Add a 2 1/2" background square.



Repeat for opposite side, being careful to mirror the color layout:



For remaining sides:

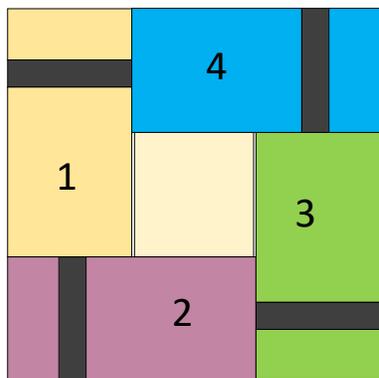
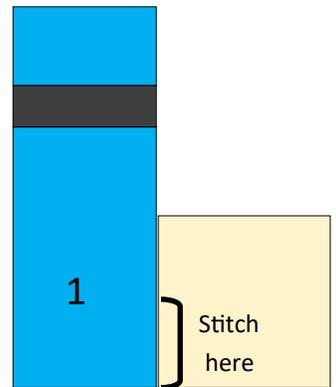
Repeat as above, but leave off the 2 1/2" end squares



Layout the block to make sure you have the colors all placed correctly.

Right sides together, stitch the 4 1/2" center square to 1/2 of a crayon piece, backstitching in the center. Press open.

Add additional crayons in the order shown. Stitch the last one to the center of the 4 1/2" square



Sew the remaining sides on, lining up the bottom of the crayons appropriately

