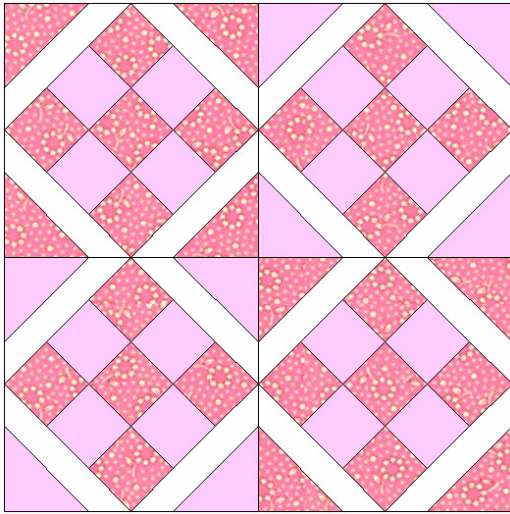


## Midget Blocks—Block 30



Midget Blocks are a series of wonderful little blocks adapted from an antique sampler quilt made during the 1930s. I hope you'll enjoy making these blocks and a sampler quilt of your own. Most of the blocks were made using just two colors. A print or solid color and the background fabric. This block was made using two shades of pink and the background fabric.

**In the antique quilt this block is the tenth block from the left in the eighth row.**

### Square Blossoms 4 1/2"

**My favorite method of construction for this block is to rotary cut the pieces and sew them together on the machine using a 1/4" seam allowance.**

**Cutting:** (1/4" seam allowance is included in all measurements given.)

#### Background

Cut 16 rectangles 3/4" x 2 3/4"

#### Light Pink

Cut 1 rectangles 1" x 10"

Cut 2 rectangles 1" x 6"

Cut 4 squares 1 5/8" and sub-cut diagonally one way to yield 4 triangles.

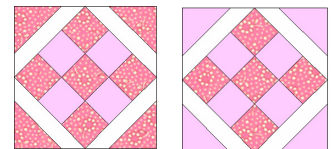
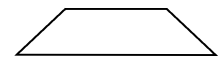
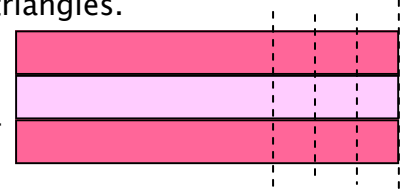
#### Dark Pink

Cut 2 rectangles 1" x 10"

Cut 1 rectangle 1" x 6"

Cut 4 squares 1 5/8" and sub-cut diagonally one way to yield 4 triangles.

1. The first thing you need to do is make a strip set using the 1" x 10" light pink rectangle and the 2 dark pink rectangles which are 1" x 10". Sew together as shown and press seams toward the darker fabric. Take care when pressing to keep the strip unit nice and straight.
2. Square up one edge of the unit.
3. Measure over 1" from your straightened edge. Cut a piece off the strip unit at this point. Cut seven more pieces 1" long for a total of 8.
4. Repeat with the 6" long rectangles, placing the light pink on the outside edges and cutting 4 pieces from the unit..
5. Construct 4 Nine Patch blocks using your cut units.
6. Cut the corners off your background rectangles at a 45 degree angle as shown.
7. Sew one of the background pieces to each side of your Nine Patch blocks, centering it on the block.
8. Complete the four block sections by sewing on the corner triangles. You'll make 2 sections using the light pink triangles and 2 using the dark pink.
9. Sew the four sections together as shown above to complete the block.
10. Your unfinished block should measure 5".



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