

Clue 2 – Making 24 Sailboat Blocks

Follow this link for a tutorial on this clue! <https://youtu.be/VO3D-OVgdk8>
BEFORE you start sewing!

To get started with Clue 2, you will need to cut 1 strip of each gray (C1, C2, C3, C4) at 6.5" x WOF. Then sub-cut those into 3 squares of each (6.5" squares). You will also need to use the left over 5 7/8" strips from Clue1 (C1, C2, C3, C4) to sub-cut into 3 (5 7/8") squares from each color.

Take the bigger squares and pair them up so that you have 2 pairs of C1 & C2 together (called "Lite") and 2 pairs of the C3 & C4 together (called "Dark"). Set the last 6.5" square of each gray aside to use at the end of this clue. Make HST's out of the 4 pairs you put together. **NOTE: They need to finish at 5 7/8", so you may want to consider sewing a "scant" 1/4" seam.** If you are using the Quilter's Magic Wand, then sew to the inside - between the 2 lines - just a bit. If you are just drawing a single line down the center and using your 1/4" foot to sew on each side of the line – making sure it's a scant 1/4".

Cut apart all your BIG HST's that you just made and press the seam toward the dark side. Trim off the dog ears and square each block to 5 7/8".

Now pair 2 "Dark" BIG HST's with C1 (white) 5 7/8" squares right sides together with the solid square on the bottom. Draw a diagonal across the seam to the opposite point to sew on either side of the line with a scant 1/4" seam (or use your Quilter's Magic Wand and sew to the inside between the lines just a bit – to achieve that scant 1/4")

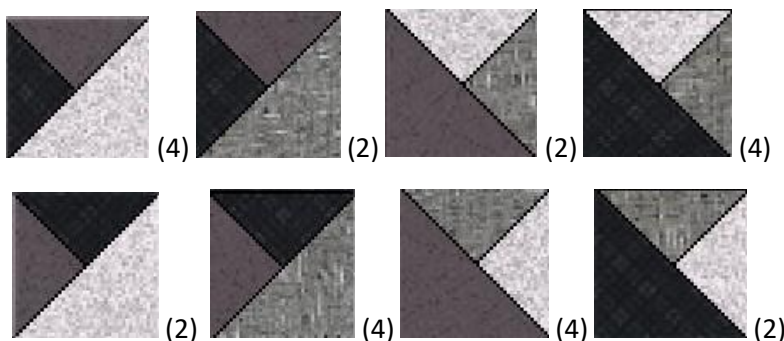
Now pair 2 "Dark" BIG HST's with C2 (light gray) 5 7/8" squares right sides together with the solid square on the bottom. Draw a diagonal across the seam to the opposite point to sew on either side of the line with a scant 1/4" seam (or use your QMW and sew to the inside between the lines just a bit – to achieve that scant 1/4")

Now pair 2 "Lite" BIG HST's with C3 (med gray) 5 7/8" squares right sides together with the solid square on the bottom. Draw a diagonal across the seam to the opposite point to sew on either side of the line with a scant 1/4" seam. (or use your Quilter's Magic Wand and make scant 1/4" seams)

Now pair 2 "Lite" BIG HST's with C4 (dark gray) 5 7/8" squares right sides together with the solid square on the bottom. Draw a diagonal across the seam to the opposite point to sew on either side of the line with a scant 1/4" seam (or use your Quilter's Magic Wand and make scant 1/4" seams)

Cut these blocks apart and press the seam toward the bigger triangle. Trim off dog ears and square each block to 5.5"

Lay out your blocks in this order – so they look like the graphic. You should have 2 of each block.



You will notice in this graphic, that you will not need equal amounts of these blocks and that the blocks are "directional". Meaning the small triangles change position over the large triangle it's paired with. When making one pair of sailboat blocks, you will get one block of each direction.

You should still have 1 of each 6.5" square and 1 of each 5 7/8" square left over. Now we will use them to make 8 more sailboat

blocks. We didn't use them when making the first ones because these new sets have to be identical instead of opposite. Follow these instructions carefully to avoid having to rip seams!

It helps to lay out your blocks in the order seen in the graphic above, then remove all the blocks that you just need 2 of. What you have left are the blocks you will be duplicating so that you have 4 of each – total.

Pair up your 6.5" squares of C3 with C4 right sides together. Draw a diagonal line down the center from point to point (on the back of the set). Now draw another diagonal line – or use your Quilter's Magic Wand to draw 2 lines – in the opposite direction, crossing the first diagonal line. This second line (or set of lines) will be the one you need to stitch your BIG HST on. When you are done stitching, FIRST cut the single line you didn't stitch, then cut between the pairs of lines you did stitch. Open these 4 "sails" and press the seam toward the darker side.



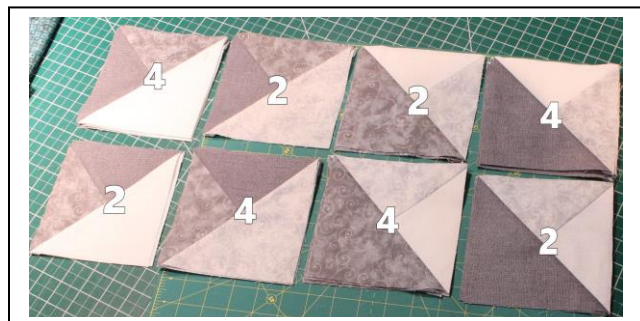
Now take your C1 5 7/8" square and lay it on the table with the right side up. Lay down each of your "sails" with the diagonal raw edges meeting in the center and right sides down – running from point to point across the solid C1 square. Pin these sails to the solid square and stitch a scant 1/4" seam down both sides of that diagonal raw edge. Cut the 2 blocks apart between the seams you just stitched – following that diagonal raw edge. You should have 2 identical blocks that look like the block in the upper left corner of the graphic below. Press the seams toward the larger triangle and trim the dog ears and the edges to 5.5".

Now take your C2 5 7/8" square and lay it on the table with the right side up. Lay down each of your "sails" with the diagonal raw edges meeting in the center and right sides down – running from point to point across the solid C2 square. Pin these sails to the solid square and stitch a scant 1/4" seam down both sides of that diagonal raw edge. Cut the 2 blocks apart between the seams you just stitched – following that diagonal raw edge. You should have 2 identical blocks that look like the block in the 2nd row – 2nd block of the graphic below. Press the seams toward the larger triangle and trim the dog ears and the edges to 5.5".

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Now take your C3 5 7/8" square and lay it on the table with the right side up. Lay down each of your "sails" with the diagonal raw edges meeting in the center and right sides down – running from point to point across the solid C3 square. Pin these sails to the solid square and stitch a scant 1/4" seam down both sides of that diagonal raw edge. Cut the 2 blocks apart between the seams you just stitched – following that diagonal raw edge. You should have 2 identical blocks that look like the block in the 2nd row – 3rd block of the graphic below. Press the seams toward the larger triangle and trim the dog ears and the edges to 5.5".

Now take your C4 5 7/8" square and lay it on the table with the right side up. Lay down each of your "sails" with the diagonal raw edges meeting in the center and right sides down – running from point to point across the solid C4 square. Pin these sails to the solid square and stitch a scant 1/4" seam down both sides of that diagonal raw edge. Cut the 2 blocks apart between the seams you just stitched – following that diagonal raw edge. You should have 2 identical blocks that look like the block in the 1st row – last block on the right in this graphic. → Press the seams toward the larger triangle and trim the dog ears and the edges to 5.5".



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