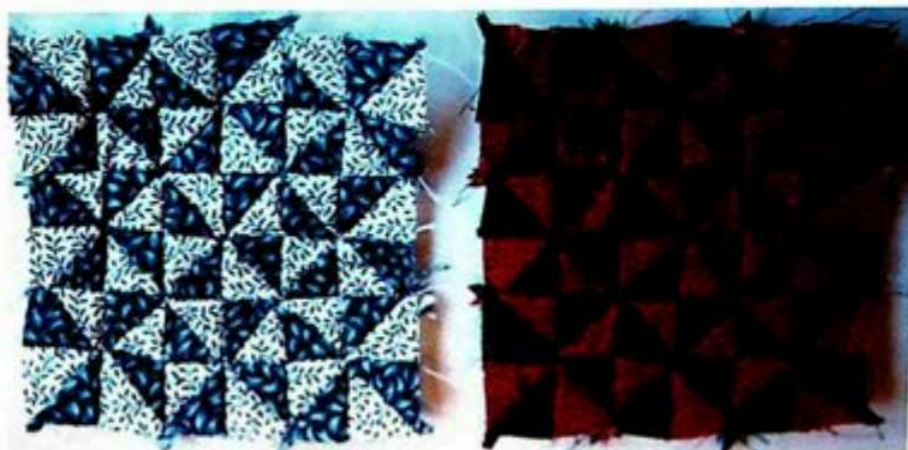


Windmill Quilt

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This is an easy quilt block to start with. You can make one and make a pillow, or make nine and add a border to make a bed size quilt.

Try to sew a consistent seam allowance of 1/8".



Windmill Quilt without binding.

WINDMILL QUILT

1. Select two fabrics and layer them together. Sew binding strip 1" wide and as long as your layered fabrics.
2. Use a 1" square stock pattern to cut squares from the strips of fabric. You will need two squares for each block. Lay each square diagonally. You may draw a pencil line diagonally if you like.
3. Sew the two layered triangles together along the long edge of the triangle. Use a small seam allowance (about 1/8"), and sew from end to end.
4. Sew sets together. Join two sets to make the windmill block.

5. Now you can make as many blocks as you want to make up your quilt. Five pieced blocks with plain blocks between. Nine pieced blocks joined next to each other (see sample).

To make a larger quilt add a border to either size above or make 13 pieced blocks with plain blocks in between. Lay the squares checkerboard fashion.

Press the pieced top flat as square as you can.

Cut a backing the same size as the top. Pin the backing to the back of the quilt top and add binding.

BINDING

1. Cut 4 strips from one of your fabrics 1-1/2" wide and longer than the sides of your quilt top.
2. Press binding strips in half lengthwise. Then open it and press the 2 edges into the center and repress the folded strip. This forms a double fold binding.
3. Sew binding to top and bottom of quilt on opposite sides. Cut binding ends even with quilt top.
4. Sew binding to other sides, but this time turn the under ends of binding so that raw edges do not show.

Step 1



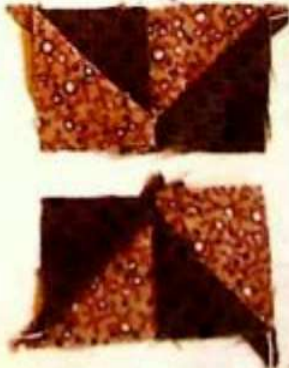
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Step 5

