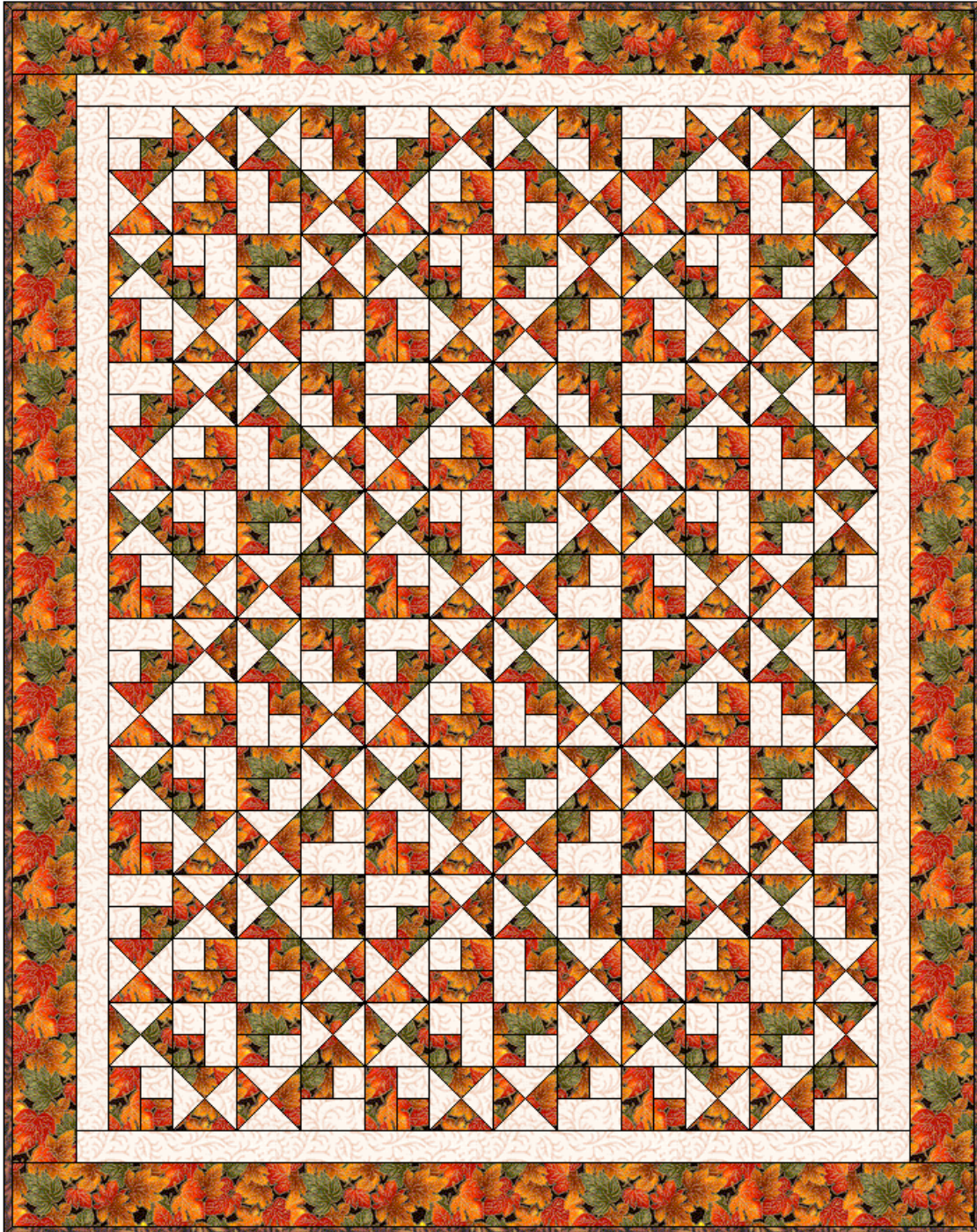


# Indian Summer

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A traditional quilt block updated with easy construction techniques makes this an easy quilt, made with just two fabrics, simple strip sets and hourglass triangle units.



61" x 77"

The large lap quilt shown here is made using 12 oversized blocks set 3 blocks across by 4 blocks down.

# Fabric

Two great fabrics will make this a spectacular quilt. Use pre-washed 100% cotton fabrics. A 1/4" seam allowance is including in all cutting instructions.

	Yardage	Cutting
<b>LIGHT</b> Blocks Blocks Border #1	3 1/4 yds	(18) 2 1/2" x width of fabric strips (7) 5 1/4" x width of fabric strips (7) 2 1/2" x width of fabric strips
<b>DARK</b> Blocks Blocks Border #2	3 1/2 yds.	(18) 2 1/2" x width of fabric strips (7) 5 1/4" x width of fabric strips (7) 4 1/2" x width of fabric strips
Binding (your choice)	3/4 yds.	(8) 2 1/2" x width of fabric strips

the width of fabric may vary between 40" and 44"

## Rectangle-Square Units



1. Using a 1/4" seam allowance and right sides together, sew (6) light and (6) dark 2 1/2" strips together along the long edge. Press toward dark. Subcut each strip set into 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles (shown at the left). You will need a total of 96 rectangles.

2. Cut (12) light 2 1/2" strips into (96) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles. Repeat with (12) dark 2 1/2" strips.

3. Sew one rectangle unit to light 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle as shown on the right; watch placement of dark square. It should measure 4 1/2" x 4 1/2". You will need a total of 96.



(make 96)



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4. In the same manner, sew one rectangle unit to dark 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle as shown at the left; watch placement of light square. It should measure 4 1/2" x 4 1/2". You will need to make 96.

## Hourglass Units

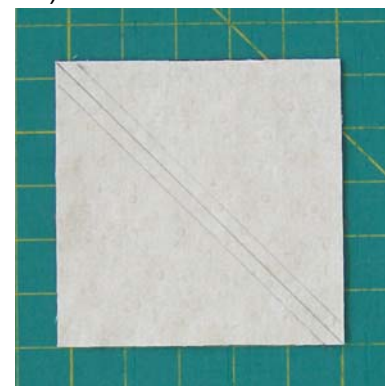


This is an easy way to make hourglass units. It begins with half-square triangles made using the "Un-biased Solution" but takes it a few simple steps further (steps 5 - 8).

1. Cut (7) light 5 1/4" strips into (48) 5 1/4" squares. Repeat with the (7) dark 5 1/4" strips.

2. On the wrong side of the light squares, draw one diagonal line from corner to corner across square. Then draw sewing lines on each side of the first line 1/4" away. (See image at right.)

3. Place light square atop dark square, right sides together; stitch along marked sewing lines.





4. Cut between the rows of stitching to make (2) half-square triangles. Press toward dark fabric.



5. On the wrong side of one half-square triangle unit, draw one diagonal line from corner to corner across square. Then draw sewing lines on each side of the first line  $\frac{1}{4}$ " away (see image at left).

6. Place half-square triangle unit with drawn line atop matching half-square triangle unit, right sides together and opposite fabrics facing. Check to make sure seam allowances nest together (going in opposite directions). Stitch along both marked stitching lines.

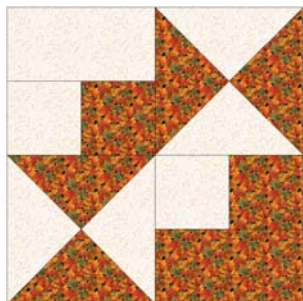
7. Cut between rows of stitching to create (2) Hourglass Units. Press seam allowances to one side.



(make 192)

8. Trim "dog ears." They should measure  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".

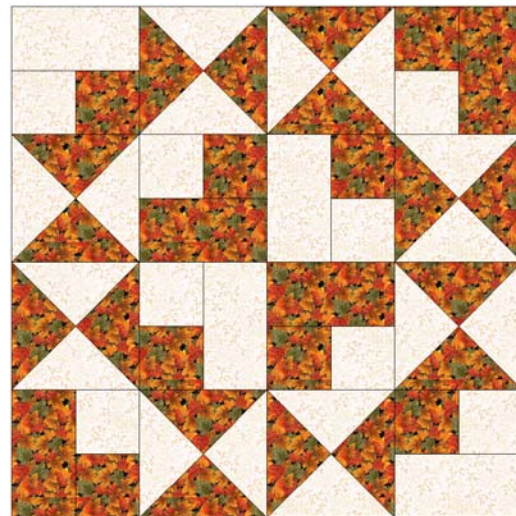
## Block Constuction



8 ½" (inc. seam allowance)  
(Make 48)

Once rectangle-square and hourglass units are made, arrange two of each to make Indian Summer block as pictured at the left. Each completed block should measure 8 ½" (unfinished). Make 48 blocks in the same manner.

Then create larger 16 ½" (unfinished) blocks by joining 4 Indian Summer blocks together as pictured here (watch placement of darks and lights).



16 ½" (inc. seam allowance)  
(Make 12)

## Assembling the Quilt

Arrange the larger blocks 3 across by 4 blocks down as shown on page 1.

Add borders.

Layer with backing and batting. Quilt as desired and bind using strips listed above to make French-fold binding.



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