

## Additional

# Tips and Suggestions

## for AISH Block Pattern Cards

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- › The Cutting Chart on the back of each of our block pattern cards is the same for all blocks. However, each block will ONLY use certain components (A, B, C, D, etc).
  - › Refer to the graphics on the front of the card and Cutting Instructions that call out the specific components and the AISH exclusive fabrics used in that block's graphics.
- › To help know how or what order to sew sections of the block together, refer to the "exploded" graphic on the bottom of the front of the card. It is separated by step to help visualize the order and how the parts are put together.
- › If you are using traditional cutting methods (as opposed to the Accuquilt system) components G, I, J, and flying geese units use the stitch and flip method.
  - › Draw a diagonal line across the wrong side of the square. Place on rectangle component, stitch along the line. Flip the corner of the square up to "audition" it to make sure it is sewn accurately. THEN trim the backside of both thicknesses of fabric to a 1/4" seam allowance.
- › If you prefer to construct the units in your favorite manner, feel free, as long as they are the size needed in the block (see tips below).
- › If a block looks like a 9 patch, with 9 equal sized units, each unit should be 3.5" before being sewn into the block. Construct it like a 9 patch.
- › If the center of the block looks larger and has borders that look narrow, more than likely the center needs to be 6.5" before being sewn into the block and the borders are 2" before being sewn in. Blocks 61 and 73 are examples of this type of block.
  - › Construct the center as you would the center of a quilt and attach the borders as you would the borders of a quilt.
- › Trim individual units as you make them.
  - › HST made with E triangles should be 2" square.
  - › HST made with C triangles should be 3.5" square.
  - › FG made with D and E triangles should be 2" x 3.5".
- › Blocks will be 9.5" before sewing into your project, 9" finished.
- › For parallelogram (G) and chisel (I) fabric may be directional. Consult the pattern graphic for correct orientation.

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