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MISSING YOUR **KISS**

This is actually a Nine-Patch block with a border. Try a solid, muted fabric for the background and brighter fabrics for the X's and the border.

SUPPLIES AND CUTTING

Linen fabric for background

Cut 1 square 4" × 4" for the center.

Cut 8 squares 4½" × 4½".

Green fabric for border

Cut 2 strips 1¼" × 11".

Cut 2 strips 1¼" × 12½".

Fabric for X's

Cut 8 strips 14" long, with the width of each strip tapering from ¾" at one end to 1½" at the other end.

HOW-TO

Use ¼" seam allowances.

1. Cut each of the 4½" × 4½" background squares on the diagonal twice as shown.
2. With right sides together, sew a strip between 2 adjacent triangles from Step 1. Trim the ends of the strip near the block center. Repeat with the opposite adjacent triangles.
3. With right sides together, sew the 2 halves from Step 2 together, inserting a strip as you did in Step 2. Trim the unit to 4" × 4".
4. Repeat Steps 2 and 3 to create 8 pieced units.
5. Arrange the 4" × 4" plain square and the 8 pieced units to your liking. With right sides together, sew the blocks into 3 rows of 3 blocks each. Press. With right sides together, sew the rows together. Press.
6. With right sides together, sew 1¼" × 11" border strips to the left and right sides of the block. Press. Sew 1¼" × 12½" strips to the top and bottom of the block. Press. Trim the block to 12½" × 12½".

