

February Row of the Month

This month, you will be making "snowball" blocks. These will be set together with January's 9-patch blocks to make two rows.



Each block will be $6\frac{1}{2}$ " Square, to make a finished block size of 6".

Cut a $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square of one fabric. For the corners, cut four $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of a contrasting fabric. On the wrong side of each $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square, draw a diagonal line from one corner to the opposite corner.



Place the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square on a corner of the $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square and sew on the diagonal line. Repeat for each corner. Press the triangles towards the corners.



That's it, you're done! You can trim the extra fabric in the corners to $\frac{1}{4}$ ", or leave it in place.



Alternate the snowball and 9-patch blocks and sew them together to make two rows. Press the seams open between blocks.

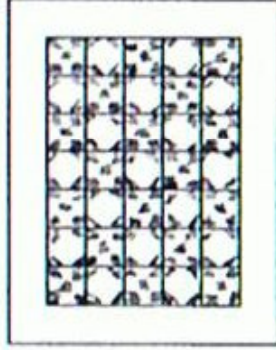
Baby quilt with borders: make 4 snowball blocks, each row will have 5 blocks total.

Baby quilt without borders: make 6 snowball blocks, each row will have 7 blocks.

Youth quilt with borders: make 6 snowball blocks, each row will have 7 blocks.

Twin quilt with borders: make 10 snowball blocks, each row will have 9 blocks.

Challenge yourself—fussy cut each large square so a fabric motif is centered in each block. Or embroider or applique a design from your fabric in each block.



Want to make a baby quilt using just these two blocks? Make 18 nine patch and 17 snowball blocks. Add 6" borders. Your quilt will measure approx. 42 x 54 inches.