

NPQG Mystery Quilt - Part 1

- Cut **8** strips 1½" x WoF Background
- Cut **4** strips 1½" x WoF Fabric A
- Cut **4** strips 1½" x WoF Fabric B

WoF = Width of Fabric, from selvedge to selvedge.

Note: If your fabrics do not have at least 42" of useable printed fabric between the selvedges you will have to make a few extra Units as noted in [Step 3](#)

Use 1/4" seams throughout. Don't worry if your pieces measure *slightly* more or less than the given measurements. If there is more than 1/8" difference you will have problems all through the rest of the construction and should adjust your seam allowances as necessary before continuing.

Step 1

Sew a Background strip to each of the A and B strips. You will have 8 strips, 4 A/Background and 4 B/Background.

Tip: Keep the Background strip on the bottom (next to the feed dogs) when you sew the strips in both Steps 1 and 2 This will help keep your strip sets more or less straight instead of curving into an arc.

Step 2

Without pressing the strips and starting at the other end of the strips with the Background fabric on the bottom, sew an A/Background strip to a B/Background strip. Make another one.



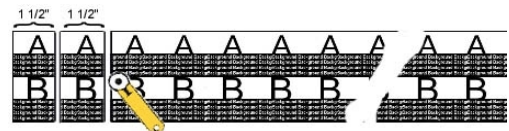
Then sew a B /Background strip to a to an A/Background strip again (reversing their positions). Make another one.



You will have 4 strip sets, 2 with Fabric A on the edge and 2 with Fabric B on the edge. Carefully press all seams towards the background fabrics. Your strips should measure 4½".

Step 3

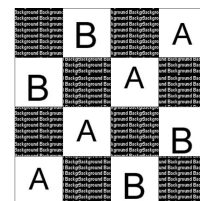
Sub-cut the strip sets into 1½ " wide units. If your strip sets are not long enough to cut 28 units from each of them, you will need to make more units using either 1½" squares or partial strip sets as needed.



You will need **56** of each of the two different units, for a total of 112 units

Step 4

Arrange 4 units (two of each different unit) and sew into 16-patch blocks as shown. They should measure 4½" square. Make **28** of these blocks.



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