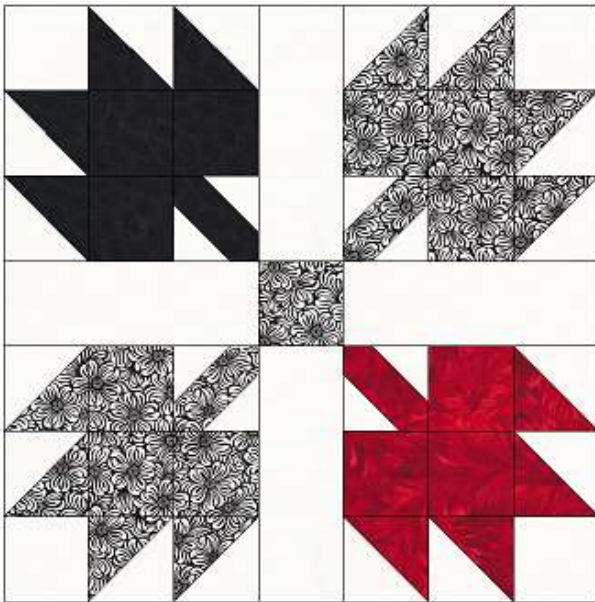


Crazy Quilters' Quilt Guild Tour de Quilts 2021 - Maple Leaf



For a 12 1/2 inch Maple Leaf block you need:
 Three 2 1/4 inch squares, two 2 5/8 inch squares and a 3 1/4 by 1 inch rectangle of the red
 Six 2 1/4 inch squares, four 2 5/8 inch squares, one 2 inch square and two 3 1/4 by 1 inch rectangles of the print
 Three 2 1/4 inch squares, two 2 5/8 inch squares and a 3 1/4 by 1 inch rectangle of the black
 Eight 2 5/8 inch squares, four 2 1/4 inch squares and four 2 1/2 inch squares of the white-on-white

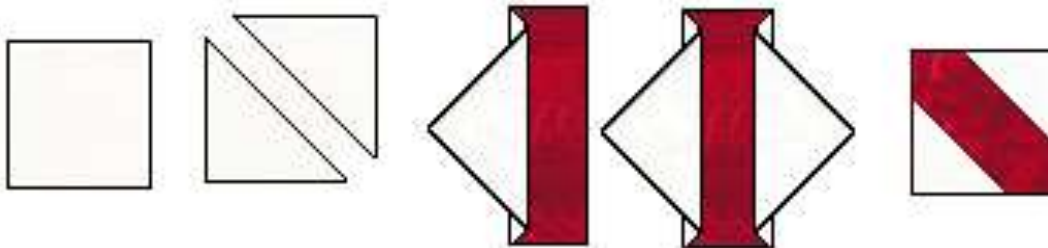
For the center strips you need four 5 3/4 by 2 inch strips of the white-on-white

We will make the diagonal half squares (DHS) or half square triangles, which ever you prefer calling them first. You can use which ever technique you want to make them, but this is my favorite.



First, mark your white-on-white squares diagonally through the center. (This will be a cutting line when you are finished.) Place a red 2 5/8 inch square, right sides together with one of the 2 5/8 inch marked white-on-white square. Sew on either side of the drawn line, exactly 1/4 inch from the first line. Cut this square in half on the cutting line. Press them all to the darkest fabric, in this case red. You will now have two diagonal half-squares, which should measure exactly 2 1/4 inches. Repeat with the remaining 2 5/8 inch squares. Press all DHSs to the darker fabric, away from the white-on-white.

We will do the stem units next, which are not that hard. Take a 2 1/2 inch white-on-white square and cut it in half diagonally. Sew a strip of your leaf color, in this case red, in the middle of that cut square. Press to the stem. When you have sewn the "stem" in the square, trim it back to 2 1/4 inches, keeping the stem in the center of the square as much as possible.



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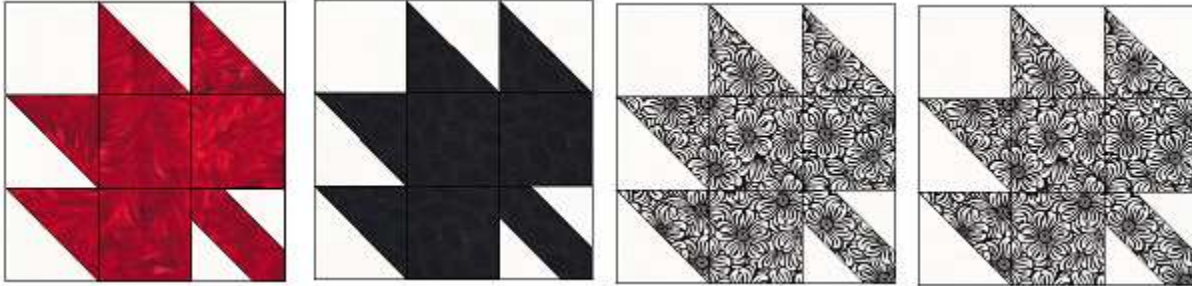
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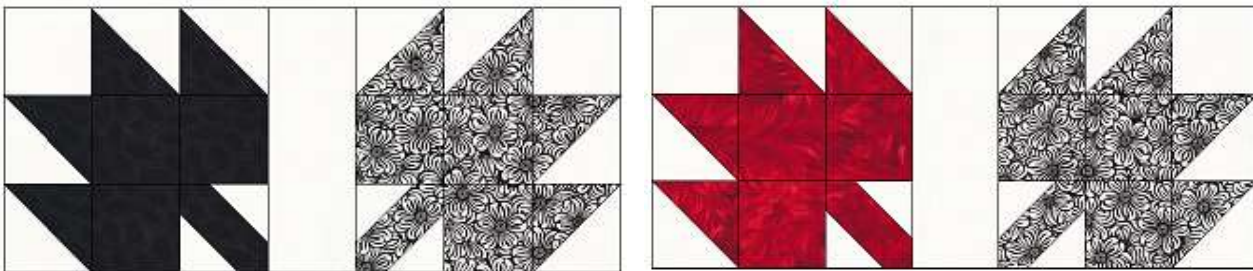
For each leaf you need to sew units which look like these



which you will sew into four units which look like this. These should be $5 \frac{3}{4}$ inches square when they are finished.



Sew a white-on-white strip between two of the units you just made. Notice how those units are turned. Repeat with the remaining two leaves.



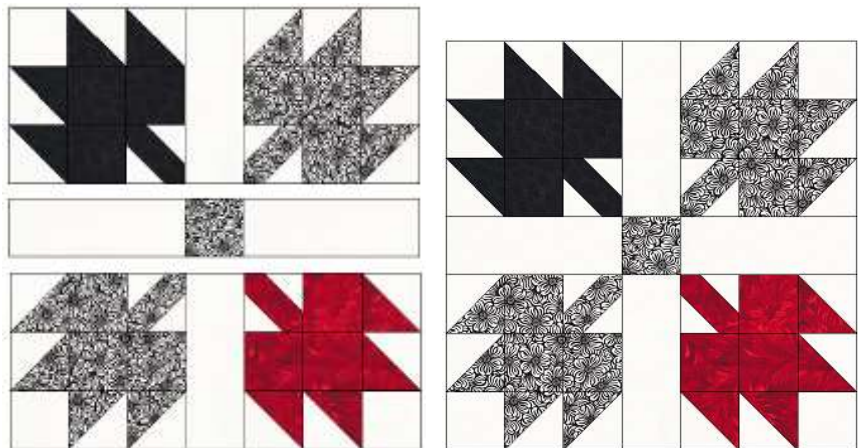
One of those units will be turned around when you put the block together.



Sew together the middle row

Assemble following the diagram.

Your Maple Leaf block should measure $12 \frac{1}{2}$ inches.



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