

For the Road to California you will need
From your background cut two $47 / 8$ inch squares and a $21 / 2$ by 25 inch strip

From a contrasting color cut two $47 / 8$ inch squares and one $21 / 2$ by 25 inch strip

Step one: Sew, right sides together, your $21 / 2$ inch strips. Cut into ten $21 / 2$ inch segments.


Sew together into five four-patch blocks.
Step one


Step two

Step two: Place a dark block and a light block right sides together. Carefully draw a line down the center, corner to corner, diagonally across the block. (This will be a cutting line when you are finished.) If you have a true $1 / 4$ inch foot on your machine, you can sew on either side of this drawn line. If not, you will have to draw a second line on either side, exactly $1 / 4$ inch from the first line. This will be your sewing line. After you have sewn on your sewing line, $1 / 4$ inch on either side of your corner to corner to line, you will cut this square in half on your cutting line. You will now have two diagonal half-squares, which should measure exactly $41 / 2$ inches. Repeat with second set of $47 / 8$ inch squares.

Step three, make two sets like this.
Step four, make one set like this.


Sew the sets together in order as shown on the diagram above. Your finished block will be 12 1/2 inches square.

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