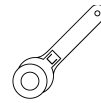
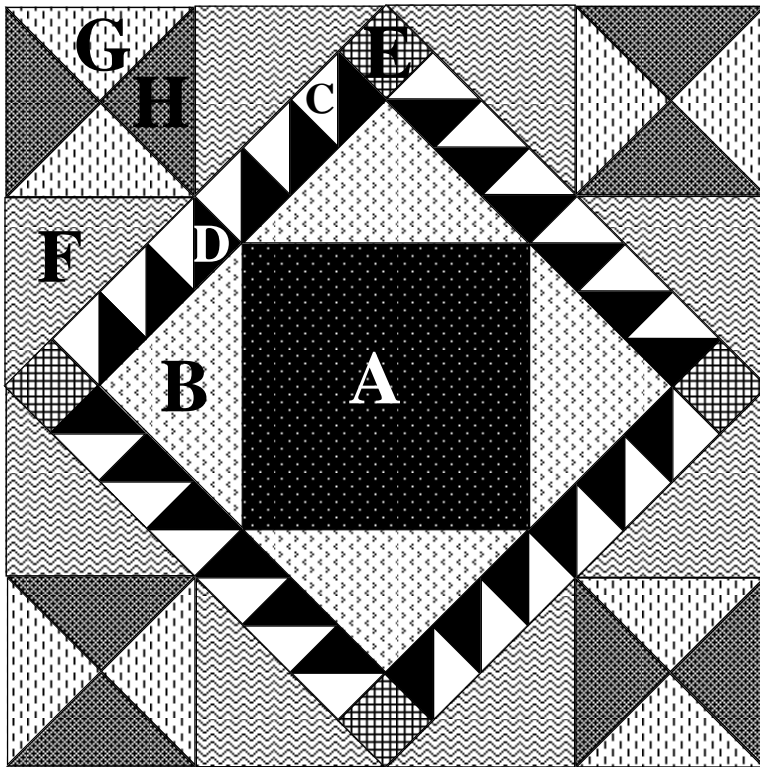


# Blind's Man Fancy

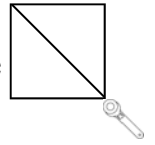
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This block finishes to 15",  
15½" with seam allowances.



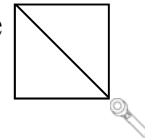
## Rotary Cut

For A cut, 1 square 6⅛" x 6⅛"  
For B cut, 2 squares 4⅞" x 4⅞",  
then cut each on the diagonal once

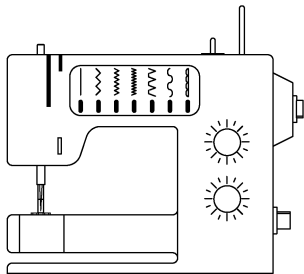


For C cut 3 squares, 4⅜" x 4⅜"  
For D cut 3 squares, 4⅜" x 4⅜"

For E cut, 4, 1<sup>13</sup>/<sub>16</sub>" squares  
For F cut, 4, 4<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" x 4<sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" squares, cut on the  
diagonal once



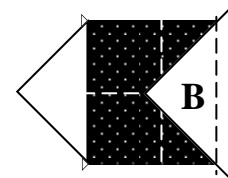
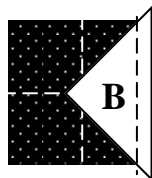
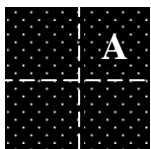
For G cut, 2 squares, 5" x 5"  
For H cut, 2, squares 5" x 5"



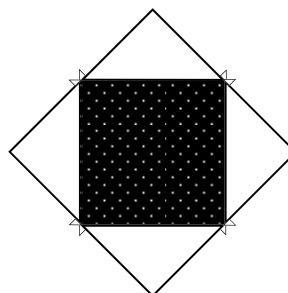
All instructions include 1/4" seam allowances.

## Machine piece

1. Fold square A in half in both directions and finger press.
2. Place the long side of a B triangle on one side of square A. The corner of B will lay on one of the finger pressed creases. The tips of B will extend beyond square A on both sides. Stitch.
3. Press toward the B triangle. Repeat step 2 on the opposite side of the square. Press toward the B triangle.

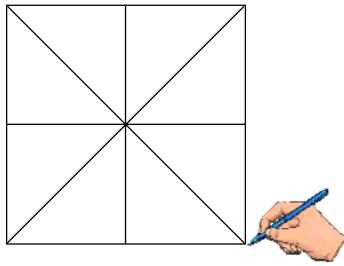


4. Stitch the remaining two triangles to the other sides of the square. Press toward the B triangles. The unit should measure 8⅞" x 8⅞".

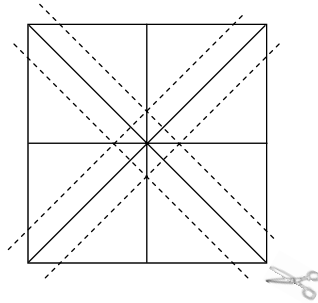


As you work, trim any tips of fabric that extend beyond the sewn units for flatter, neater, quilt blocks.

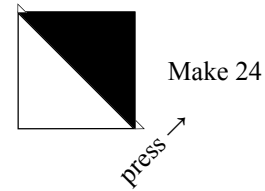
5. On each C square draw a line on each diagonal. Then draw a line that cuts the square in half vertically and another that cuts the square in half horizontally.



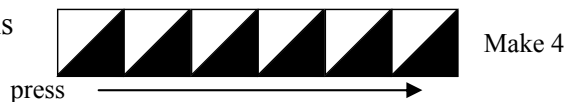
6. With right sides together layer one C with one D and stitch  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from each side of the diagonal lines.



7. Cut on all the drawn lines to make 8 half square units that each measure  $1\frac{13}{16}$ " x  $1\frac{13}{16}$ ". Press toward the dark triangles. Repeat with the other C and D squares.



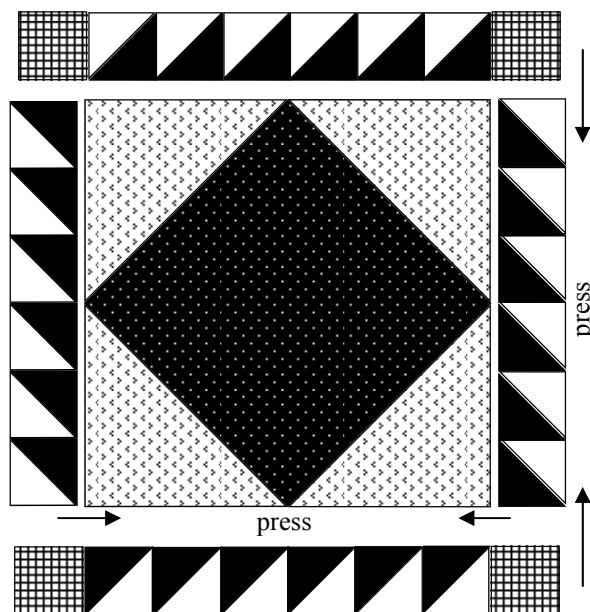
8. Sew the sawtooth units into 4 strips of 6 sawtooths each. Press according to the diagram.



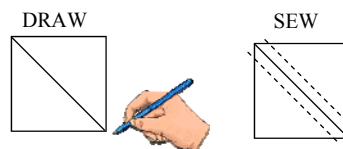
9. Sew an E square on both ends of two of the rows. Press toward the E squares.



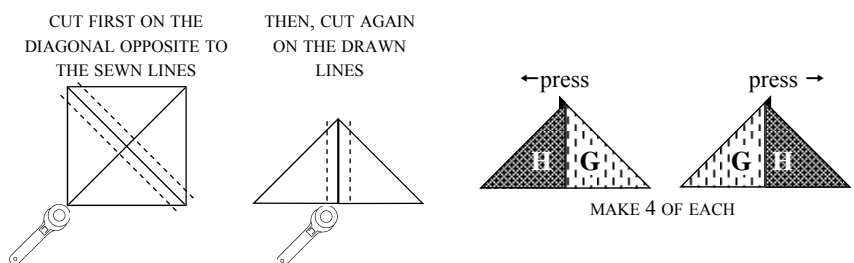
10. Sew the sawtooth units to the center unit according to the diagram. Press toward all strips toward the center.



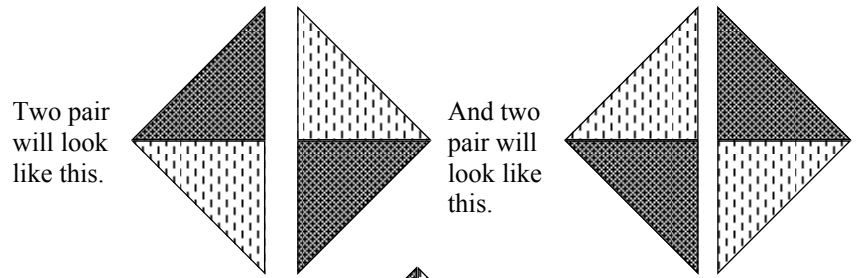
11. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the G squares. With right sides together, layer each G with a square H. Sew a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on each side of the diagonal



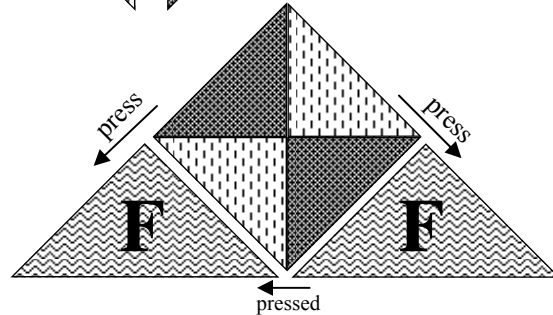
12. Cut the square on the opposite diagonal from the ones drawn and sewn, then cut on the drawn diagonal lines to yield 8 side by side triangle units. Press toward the H triangles.



13. Pair up the units and sew to make 4 squares,  $4\frac{1}{4}'' \times 4\frac{1}{4}''$ . Press in either direction.



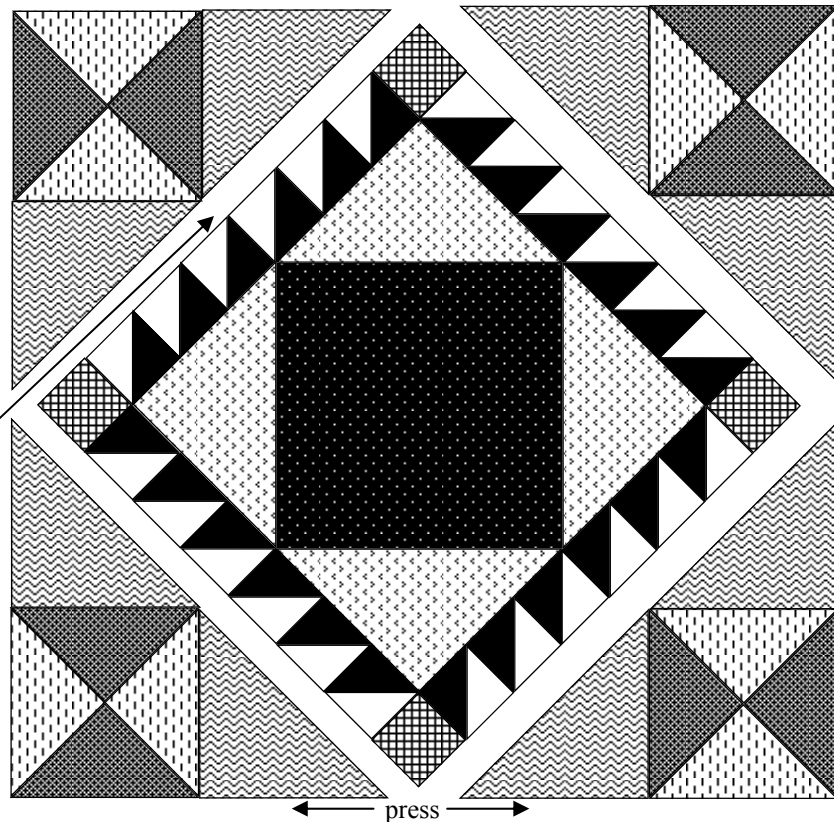
14. Rotate the just made unit so that the pressed seam is in the direction shown. Sew an F triangle on two adjacent sides of the unit from step 13. Press toward the F triangles.



15. Stitch each large triangle to the center unit. Press away from the center.

Line up the center seams of each unit to help with the proper placement.

Congratulations, the block is now complete and should measure  $15\frac{1}{2}'' \times 15\frac{1}{2}''$ .

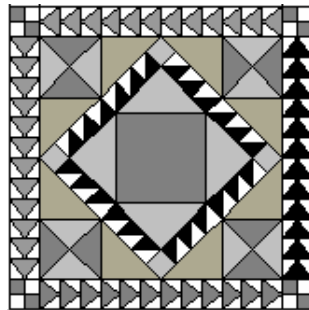


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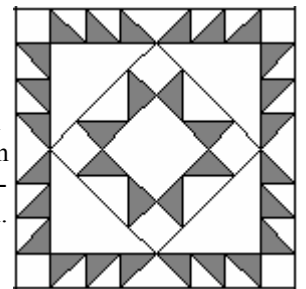
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## Sources of *Blind Man's Fancy*

Carol Schon found this version of *Blind Man's Fancy* online at the *Quilt Show* where Cher Cartwright posted the picture of an antique, civil war era quilt from the book, *Patterns in Time: Quilts of Western New York*, by Lynn Hoffman. The picture showed this block set with a flying geese sashing and four-patch corners. The pattern for the setting and corners are in a separate pattern title, *Flying Geese Sashing*.



The only block with the name *Blind Man's Fancy* recorded by Brackman was this version from the Ladies' Art Company and Carrie Hall.



Refer to Barbara Brackman's *Encyclopedia of Pieced Patterns* and *Electric Quilt 5* and *Block Base*, computer software to research quilt blocks. You can purchase the *Electric Quilt* and *Block Base* at <http://www.electricquilt.com/> and Barbara Brackman's *Encyclopedia of Pieced Quilt Patterns* at [http://www.americanquiltercatalog.com/spring\\_2008/1g\\_display.cfm?page\\_number=20](http://www.americanquiltercatalog.com/spring_2008/1g_display.cfm?page_number=20).