

Perfect & Painless Half-Square Triangle Units

Supply List

Imagine making half-square triangle units that are strip-pieced, have no paper to tear, no lines to draw, no pressing of individual units, and no dog ears to trim, using a technique that is great for directional fabrics, very accurate, and, as promised, *perfect and painless*. It truly can be done!

You will use two fat quarters to make a few dozen half-square triangle units while learning the technique.

Please bring all of the following to class with you:

- **Book, optional** – *Perfect and Painless Half-Square Triangle Units* by Debbie Caffrey, available from your local quilt shop, my website, or during class
- **Thread** to blend with your fabrics – The machines will most likely be threaded, but I have arrived to find no thread on the machines. Bringing a spool of thread should not be difficult.
- **Seam ripper**
- **Masking tape or labels and a pencil or pen** for temporarily marking pieces
- **Rotary cutter, mat, & rulers**
Mat – Bring a mat that is at least 12" x 18"; 18" x 24" is *much* better.
Rulers – Bring a ruler that is at least 4" wide and at least 24" long. For this technique I prefer to use my 8½" x 24" ruler.
Bring one or more small squares. A 4½" square is a good size for this technique. Bring other small squares that you have, too, especially your 2½" and 3½" squares.
All rulers (long rulers and squares) must be accurate, have 45° diagonal lines, and clear ⅛" markings!
- **Fabric** – Everyone should bring two fat quarters, one light and one dark, for the learning exercise. If you work very fast, you may want to bring six fat quarters: three light and three dark. Contact me with any specific questions you have.
- **Optional – books, patterns, and magazines** – Bring several patterns that you are interested in making which use many small (3" or smaller, finished size) half-square triangle units. We can discuss how to apply this technique to those patterns.

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