MQSC BASIC SKILLS - June 21, 2025

<u> Cat Cuddles - unfinished 18.5" x 24.5"</u>

This Cat Cuddle pattern is designed to help you prefect your <u>Half Square Triangles</u> (HST), <u>Snowball blocks</u> using flip corners and consistent 1/4" seams with a strip set.

Materials and cutting:

Light: 2 - 2.5" x 24.5" strips.

Focus: 1 - 7" strip/cut: 2 - 7" squares and 4 - 6.5"

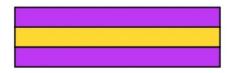
squares.

Dark: 1 - 7" strip/cut: 2 - 7" squares, 1 - 2.5" x 24.5"

strip and 18 - 2. 5" squares.



- 1. Sew 2 light 2.5" x 24.5" strips on either side of the dark 2.5" x 24.5" using a 1/4" seam.
- 2. Carefully press your strip set to the dark, making sure you press all the way to the seam.
- 3. Your strip set should measure 24.5" long and 6.5" across. If it's to wide your seam is to narrow, if it's to small your seam is to wide or you didn't press your seams all the way out.



Snowball Blocks: Flip corners - make 4 blocks

- 1. Draw a diagonal line across each of your 16 2.5" dark squares and place right sides together on the corner of your 6.5" focus square.
- 2. *Sew "one" needle width to the outside of the line. This allows you to have a more accurate flip corner. Continue to sew on all four corners of the four 6.5" focus squares.
- 3. Flip and press each corner out, then trim the seam allowance to 1/4". Square your blocks to 6.5".
- 4. Now sew Snowball blocks into a row.







Half-Square: Triangles: Two at a time - make 4 blocks

- 1. Layer your 2 dark with 2 focus 7" squares right sides together and draw a diagonal line on each set.
- 2. Sew a scant 1/4" seam on either side of the line. Cut on the line and press to the dark.
- 3. Square up your four HST to 6.5" x 6.5".





4. Assemble cut cuddle as shown in the picture above and finish as you wish.

