

2012 Heber Quilt Guild Mystery Quilt

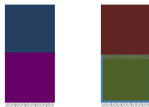
Estimated overall yardage: Light fabric – 1-1/2 yards (various scraps)
Dark fabric – 2-1/4 yards (various scraps)
Dark fabric – 1/2 yard (all one fabric)

The more fabrics the better, but you need to have at least 4 different colors in your dark fabric choices (For example: multiple green scraps, multiple brown scraps, multiple black scraps, and multiple blue scraps. You can have more than 4, but you need at least 4 different colors.)

Step 1

New technique – popped seams

- Cut 32 – 2-3/4” dark squares
- Sew (2) sets of 2-3/4” dark squares together.



- Choose which blocks you want on top and which you want on bottom. **Press the top half so the seam goes to the right and the bottom half so the seam goes to the left.**
- Join the two sets into a four-patch square making sure the seams nestle together nicely.



- **Pop open the seams** at the middle seam intersection. This will help your block lie flat. You want to loosen up the center seam by prying it open with your fingers. Twist each seam in separate ways with your fingers until the middle seam starts loosening in the center.
- Keep twisting until the fabric can be opened up. You know you've got it if you can see little swatches of all (4) fabrics you used and your outer seams should all go in one direction.
- Iron your popped seam and all your outer seams so they lie flat.
- **Trim to measure 4-3/4” square.**
- Repeat the process until you have 8 four-patch squares.