

## Diamond Cutting Instructions

These instructions are for rotary cutting 45 degree diamonds without templates. For additional help, check out video on HVQ blog at: [www.hebervalleyquilters.blogspot.com](http://www.hebervalleyquilters.blogspot.com).

Note: Accuracy in all cutting is extremely important when cutting diamonds.  
Note: This method requires a ruler with a 45 degree line.

1. Cut a strip the width called for by the block pattern, ie.  $2\frac{3}{8}$ " x Width of Fabric.
2. Position 45 degree line along bottom edge of strip. Trim of selvedge end of strip.
3. Keep 45 degree line of ruler on bottom edge of strip. Cut edge of strip will line up with straight printed lines on ruler. Keep cut edge lined up and 45 degree line on bottom edge of strip to maintain the correct angles on your diamond.
4. Measure into the strip the same width as you cut for the strip, ie.  $2\frac{3}{8}$ ". In this example, the 45 degree line of the ruler is lined up with the bottom edge of strip. The cut edge of the strip is at the  $2\frac{3}{8}$ " mark.
5. Cut diamond.
6. Repeat steps 4 and 5 down length of strip for required diamonds. Trim end of strip as needed to maintain 45 degree cut.

Hint: Position a length of tape on the ruler to make it easier to find correct measurement for cutting diamonds.