

## Dear Gunta Block of the Month — February: Complete Row One by March Meeting



### Sewing half square triangles:

- ✂ Alternative to drawing diagonal lines is Cluck Cluck Sew's diagonal seam tape. Details and tutorial found [here](#).
- ✂ Shortened stitch length when sewing the diagonal seams helps with the bias.
- ✂ Press to the side or press seams open, your preference!
- ✂ If you press to the side, you can get a flatter seam by "spinning" your seams. Tutorial [here](#).
- ✂ Glue basting tutorial [here](#).
- ✂ HST Blossom Heart Quilts' HST 8-at-a-time [method](#) and HST Strip [method](#).

Here's an example, working four blocks at a time and spinning seams

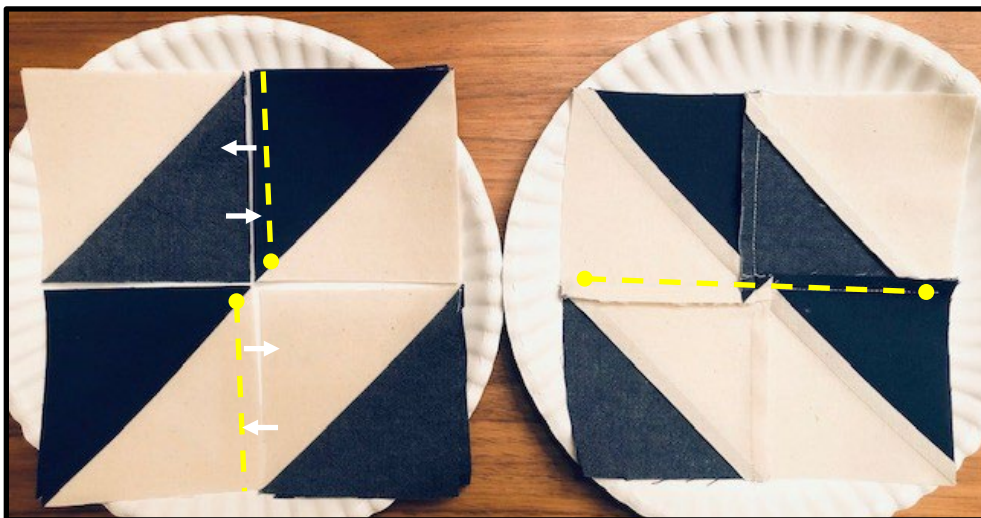


Figure A. Right side of blocks pictured

Figure B. Back side of blocks sewn together

1. Join right and left sides together by glue basting the center vertical seam of each pair, then stitch the center yellow stitch line. Since I am "spinning the center intersection, I backstitched at each end point shown,  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the corner. Figure A.
2. To put the pairs together, nest right sides together along the center seam allowance, glue baste to set, and stitch along the yellow horizontal line, stopping and backstitching at the end points,  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from each side as shown. Press each side to the top or bottom and "Spin" the center intersection open. Figure B.
3. Stitch each triangle set from top to bottom edge. When pressed, the center seams "spin" and lie flat. Figure C.

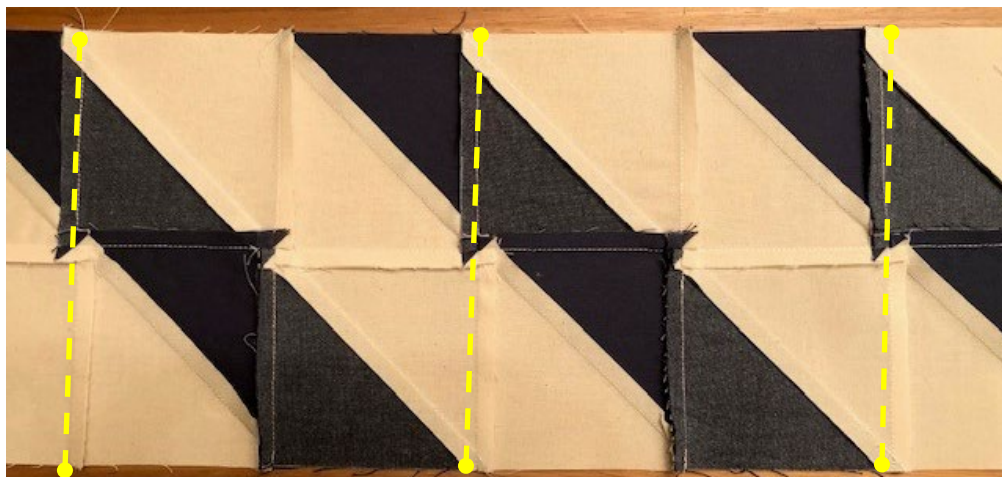


Figure C.