

# Scrappy Acorn Block



Unfinished Size: 6½" square

Instructions provided for a 6" finished block (6½" unfinished size)

**FABRIC and CUTTING:**

From Background cut:

- Two 3¼" x 1½" rectangles (A)
- Four 1½" squares (B)
- Two 1" x 1½" rectangles (C)
- Two 1½" x 4½" rectangles (D)

For the Acorn cut:

- Sixteen 1½" brown/tan squares (E)

For the Acorn Top cut:

- One 5½" x 1½" rectangle (F)
- One 1" x 1½" rectangle for the stalk (G)

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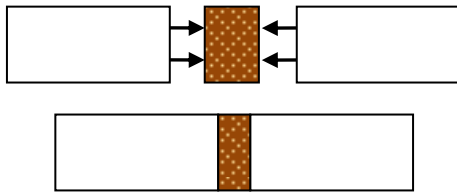
General Instructions:

Read through all instructions before beginning.

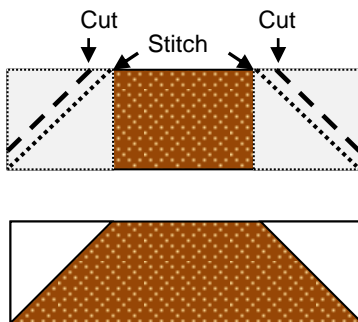
All seam allowances are ¼" and are included in cutting sizes.

Press seam allowance towards the darker fabric whenever possible.

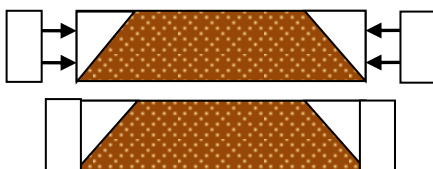
1. Mark a diagonal line on the **wrong** side of all the background (B) squares. This will be your stitching line.
2. With **right** sides together stitch the two (A) background rectangles to either side of the (G) stalk rectangle as shown. The unit should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press.



3. With **right** sides together place two background (B) squares onto the two corners of the (F) acorn top rectangle as shown. Stitch along your marked line. Trim away the excess fabric  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from your stitched line and press the background triangle open as shown.

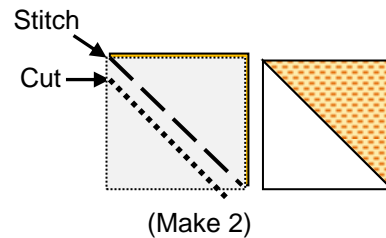


4. Stitch a (C) background rectangle to either side of the acorn top as shown. Press. Unit should measure  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ".

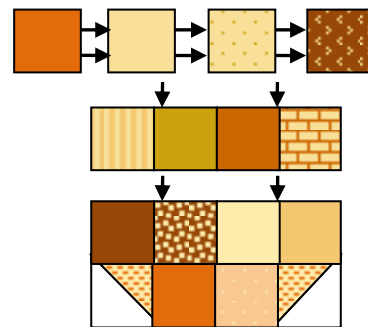


5. Place a (B) square onto an (E) acorn square, right sides together and stitch along the marked line. Trim  $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the stitched line. Press

open to create one acorn half-square-triangle (HST) squares. Repeat to make two HST squares each measuring  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

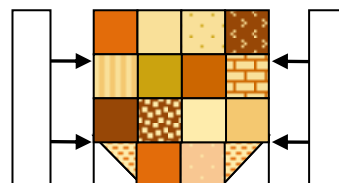


6. Stitch the fourteen (E) acorn squares and two B/E squares together into four rows of four as shown. Press the seams of each row in opposite directions so that you can match the seams easily. Stitch the four rows together. Press. Acorn unit should measure  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

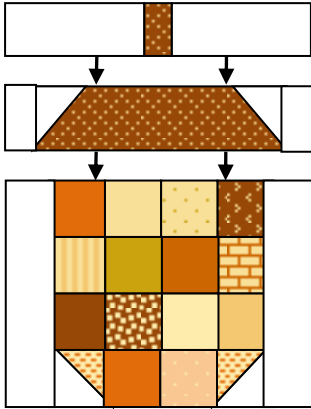


Tip: Do not worry too much if your seams do not match – the acorn will still look good due to its scrappiness.

7. With **right** sides together stitch a (D) background rectangle to either side of the acorn patch to create a unit measuring  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press.



8. Finally stitch all three units together as shown overleaf to create a scrappy acorn unit measuring 6½". Press.



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