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Step Three

Welcome back! So how many blocks did you come up with that have a Square with in a Square as part of their design? Just a few I found in "Around the Block" by Judy Hopkins were: Broken Star and Gentleman's Fancy. On to another unit!

1. Background fabric: Cut 3 9 1/4" squares
2. Medium Dark Color One: Cut 8 4 7/8" squares
3. Medium Dark Color Two: Cut 4 4 7/8" squares
4. Take two of the Medium Dark Color One squares and place them in opposite corner of the background square, right sides together. They should overlap in the center.
5. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. Pin the Medium Dark Color One squares in place. "Sew on both sides of your drawn line, using a scant quarter-inch seam allowance. It is helpful to begin your sewing at the corner of the square that does the overlapping. "
6. Place a ruler on the drawn line and cut the unit in half. You will have two units. Press both units toward the Medium Dark Color One.
7. In the two units, place two Medium Dark Color One squares in the corners opposite the sewn Medium Dark Color One Triangles.

Please note: If the lack of an illustration makes this hard for you to understand, please go to this link.

<https://piecemakers4life.wordpress.com/2010/06/14/how-to-construct-flying-geese-four-at-a-time-no-waste-method/>

8. Draw a line from corner to corner on both units. Sew on both sides of your drawn lines, using a scant quarter-inch seam allowance.
9. Repeat these instructions with a second background and the remaining 4 Medium Dark Color One $4 \frac{7}{8}$ " squares.
10. Repeat these instructions with the final background square and the 4 Medium Dark Color Two $4 \frac{7}{8}$ " squares.

You should now have 8 large flying geese, measuring $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " by $8 \frac{1}{2}$ ", made using your background and Medium Dark Color One and 4 large flying geese measuring $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " by $8 \frac{1}{2}$ ", made using your background and Medium Dark Color Two. If yours need to be squared up, here is a You tube video link.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P_DHZpWpjVA If you watch the video, remember your measurements are $4 \frac{1}{2}$ " by $8 \frac{1}{2}$ ".

Place your Units in a large baggie and mark it Step Number three. This is just another way to construct Flying Geese. I can think of four ways. How about you?