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2015 Two-Color Delight Mystery Quilt – Clue #1

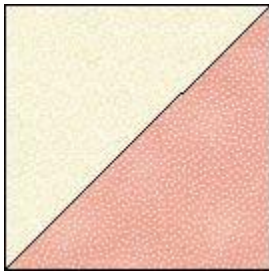
Welcome to the first clue of this year's Simply Colorful Mystery Quilt. I'm so glad you've decided to join in the fun.

In the Preparation Phase, we learned that this quilt will be made with just 2 colors. The pieces will be bigger and it's meant to be a fun, relatively-easy, and refreshing project.

Let's get started!

Unit 1-A

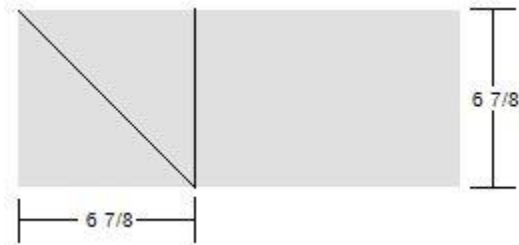
We're going to make 24 units that measure 6.5" x 6.5" each, and look like this:



Rotary Cutter Method for Unit 1-A:

Cut twelve – 6 and 7/8 inch squares from FABRIC A.

Cut twelve – 6 and 7/8 inch squares from RANDOM SCRAPS (or FABRIC D).



Place each 6 and 7/8" square of FABRIC A with each square of SCRAP (or FABRIC D), right sides together, and cut on the diagonal. You'll end up with 48 half-square triangles, already matched to sew together with a 1/4" seam. Sew them together to make 24 Units. Iron toward dark color.

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Accuquilt Method for Unit 1-A:

Use the Triangle 6-1/2 inch Die. [\[Click for more information\]](#)

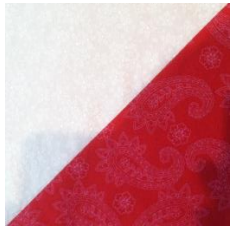
Cut 24 triangles out of FABRIC A.

Cut 24 triangles out of SCRAPS (or FABRIC D).

Sew them together to form 24 units. Use 1/4" seam. Iron toward the dark color.

Lynn's Red & White Unit 1-A:

Here's what my Unit 1-A looks like.



Unit 1-B

This unit is easy if you're going the "Controlled/Not Scrappy" route.

If You're Using Just One Fabric for Unit 1-B

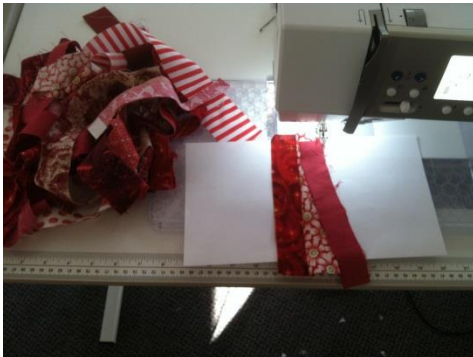
Pull out your FABRIC C. Cut 12 strips using your rotary cutter, each to measure 5.5" x width of the fabric (usually 40-43"). See picture. Set aside.



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If You're Going SCRAPPY for Unit 1-B

If you're going SCRAPPY, you need to make 45 Unit 1-Bs, each one measuring 5.5" x 11". (!) Use the "string" paper piecing method. Remember to reduce the size of your stitch (I go down to 1.7) so the paper tears away easily. See pictures.



If you're not familiar with string piecing, there are tutorials and books available. It's a method whereby you take narrow strips of fabric and sew them together on a piece of paper and then trim up. I did some green string piecing on a FiberCast last year. [Click here](#) to view that video.

I don't expect you'll finish all of these scrappy units in week 1. Instead, do a few here and there and you should be done by "MQ Reveal Day." (February 27th)

Next Clue

Clue #2 will be published by 7AM next Friday, February 6th, on www.simplycolorful.com.

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