# Sarah's Mock Pineapple 

Makes an $81 / 2 "$ block - ( $8^{\prime \prime}$ finished)


## Materials Needed

- 5" squares from your stash in lights and darks



## Piecing the block -

Start with two, $3^{1 / 21}$ " squares, one light and one dark. Place squares faces together, and sew $1 / 4$ " seam around all four edges. You now have a sandwich with dark on one side and light on the other.


Draw an ' $X$ ' on one side - on my blocks, I drew half of the ' $X$ 's' on the light side and half on the dark side.

Carefully cut through ONE LAYER ONLY, ON the ' $X$ ', right up to the seam. Using a hot iron, press open - do not be tempted to skip this step!

Next, place a $41 / 4 "$ square, face down on top of this new unit. Sew
 around all 4 sides, as you did in the previous step. Draw an ' $X$ ' on the piece you just added, and cut as before.

Trim this new unit to $5^{\prime \prime}$. Place a $5^{\prime \prime}$ square face down on this, and repeat the process of sewing around the edge, drawing the ' X ' and cutting once again. Trim this unit to 6 '.

Cut (2) 5 " squares in half diagonally to equal 4 triangles.
Sew these to the 4 corners! This avoids bias edges on the outside of the block.
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