

Ice Cubes

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Size: Unfinished – 12 ½” (Finished – 12”)

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About

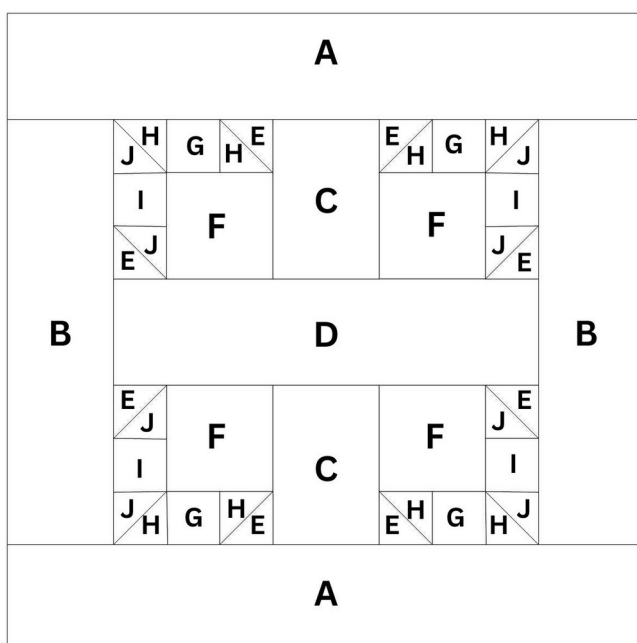
Ice Cubes is a modern block that tricks the eye with a three dimensional look.

Notes Before You Begin

- **Please read through all instructions carefully before beginning**
- 1/4 inch seam allowance is used throughout
- Diagrams are not to scale
- General quilting supplies are needed
- Arrows indicate pressing direction

Fabric & Cutting Needed for 1 Block

1 fabric is needed for the background and 3 different fabrics are needed for the ice cubes. To help show off the ombré effect in the ice cubes it helps to use three shades of the same color.



Cutting (pcs = pieces)

Background Fabric	Front of Ice Cubes Fabric (Darkest)
A – 2 pcs – 2 ½” x 12 ½”	F – 4 pcs – 2 ½” x 2 ½”
B – 2 pcs – 2 ½” x 8 ½”	Top of Ice Cube Fabric (Medium)
C – 2 pcs – 2 ½” x 3 ½”	G – 4 pcs – 2 ½” x 2 ¼”
D – 1 pc – 2 ½” x 8 ½”	H – 4 pcs – 1 ½” x 1 ½”
E – 4 pcs – 2 ¼” x 2 ¼”	Side of Ice Cube Fabric (Lightest)
	I – 4 pcs – 1 ½” x 1 ½”
	J – 4 pcs – 2 ¼” x 2 ¼”

Assembly

Make the Half Square Triangles

To make the half square triangles you will need pieces E, H and J. Match the squares up as follows:

Piece E with Piece G – 2 pairs
Fabric E with Piece J – 2 pairs
Fabric G with Fabric J – 2 pairs

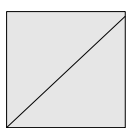


fig. 1

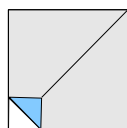


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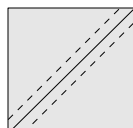


fig. 3

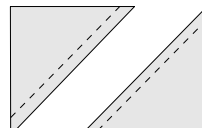


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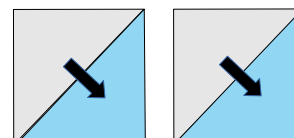


fig. 5

On each of the pairs, draw a diagonal line on the back (wrong) side of the lighter fabric. (fig. 1) This will be your sewing guide.

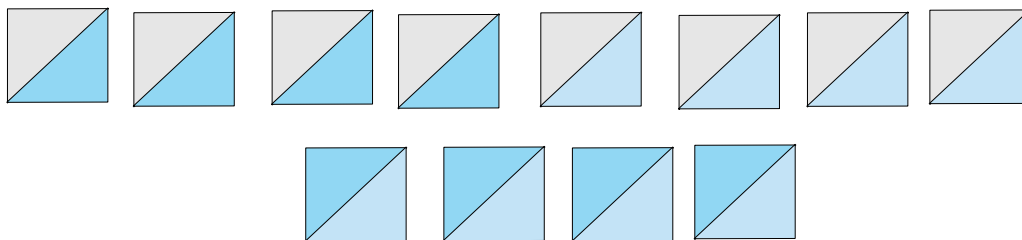
Line up each pair of squares with front (right) sides facing each other. (fig. 2)

Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam allowance, sew along both sides of the drawn diagonal line. (fig. 3)

Cut down the center, along the drawn line. You will end up with two blocks that need to be pressed to the dark. (fig. 4)

Trim them down to $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches square. (fig. 5)

Repeat with the other pairs. You will end up with 12 half square triangles (four in each coloration)



Assemble the Block

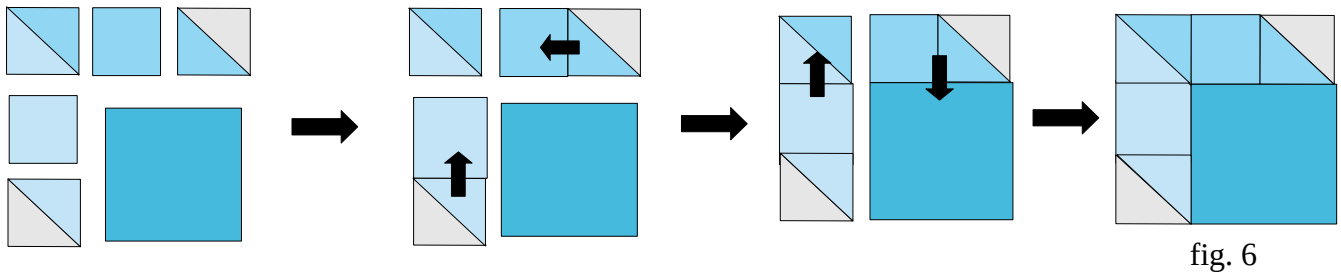
Piece together the ice cube sections.

Note: Pay attention to direction of diagonal lines when making the cubes.

There are four cubes, 2 made in one direction, 2 in the other.

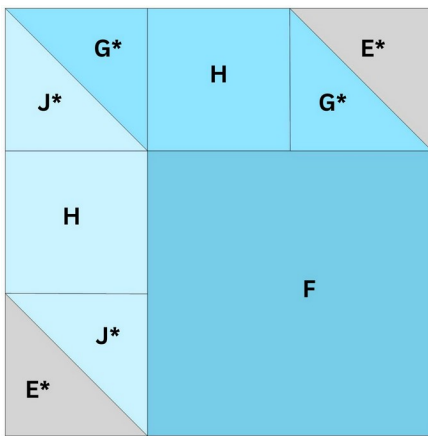
Sew the pieces together as shown. *Note that the letters indicate the pieces and the ones with the asterisk are the half square triangles made earlier.

Cube 1 should look like this. (fig. 6)

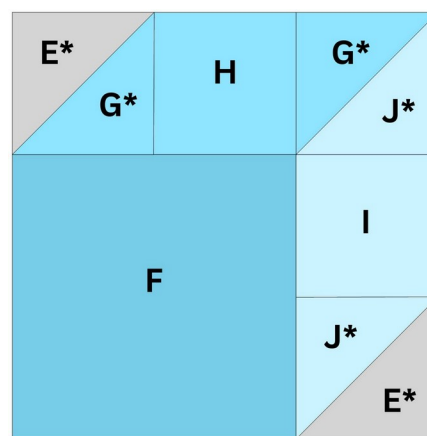


Reverse the direction to make cube 2. Make 2 of both cubes.

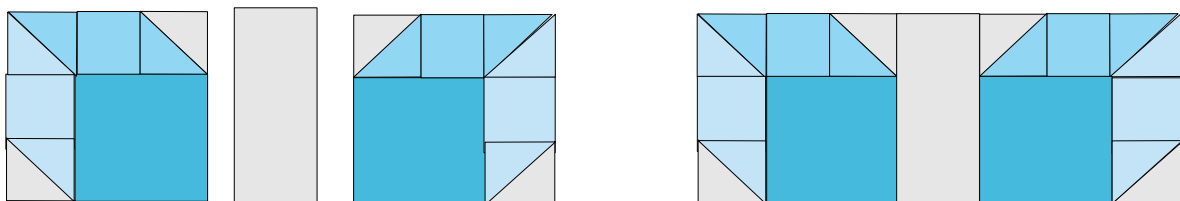
Cube 1:



Cube 2:



Sew a cube 1 with a piece C as shown. Then add a cube 2 to the right of piece C. (fig. 7)



Make 2 of these sections.

Add a piece D between the 2 sections made in fig. 7 and sew them together as shown. (fig. 8)

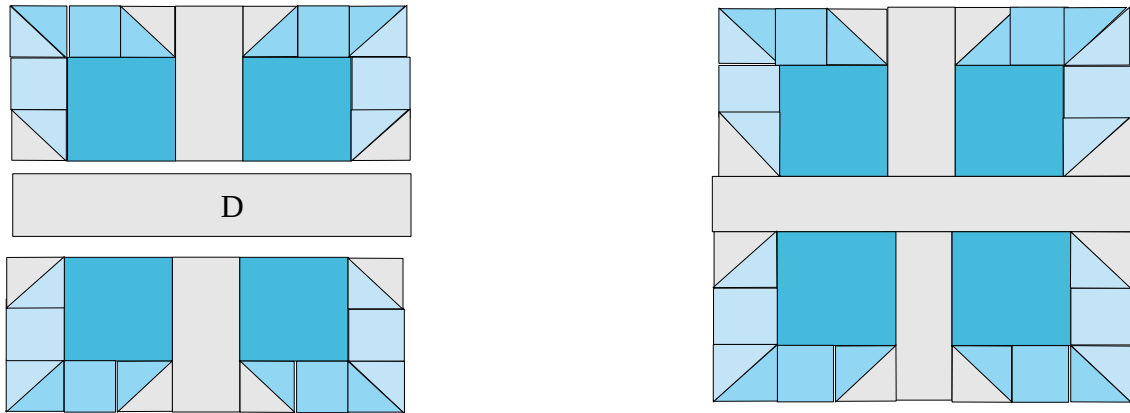
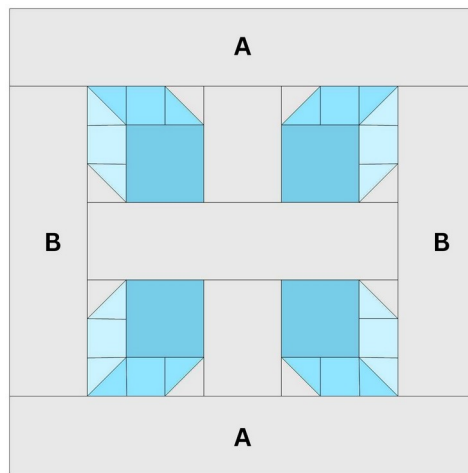


fig. 8

Add a piece B to the left and right of this section. Then add a piece A to the top and the bottom. (fig. 9)



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