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LAYER CAKE 9-PATCH

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Jelly rolls are usually my go-to for strip piecing because, well - they are already strips! But Layer Cakes® piece up nicely into 9-patches and today I'll show you how I make them. If you have another layer cake 9-patch technique, tell us about it in the comments! This block finishes at 6" square.

Ingredients:

2 Layer Cake® squares (one Light and one Dark)

*Fabric used is *Just Another Walk in the Woods* by Stacy Iest Hsu.

Instructions:

1. Cut each Layer Cake® square into (4) 2½" x 10" strips. Make the cutting quick and easy by layering up your fabric and using a 12½" square template, cutting at 2½", 5", and 7½".



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2. Set aside two strips - 1 light and 1 dark. From the remaining strips, pair up 3 sets of light and dark and sew together along the long edge using a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press toward the dark fabric.



3. Add remaining two strips to 2 of the strip sets created above to make 1 Light-Dark-Light strip set and 1 Dark-Light-Dark strip set. Press. *You will have one extra L/D pair of strips. Set aside for now.*



4. With right sides together, pin strip sets at opposite ends, taking care to nest seams together. Sew along pinned edges.



5. Remove pins on one edge and trim off $2\frac{1}{2}$ " section. Realign strips, pin again, and sew long newly pinned edge. Remove pins from both ends. Cut a $2\frac{1}{2}$ " section from each end and press. You will have (3) $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " units and (2) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " units. *Set one of the $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " units aside.*

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6. Join one 4½" wide unit with one 2½" wide unit to create a 9-patch block. Press. Repeat to create one additional 9-patch.



7. Trim the extra L/D strip set from step 3 into (4) 2½" segments. Sew two segments end-to-end and press. Remove either the light or dark end of this segment. Add to leftover unit from step 5 to create a third 9-patch block.



Yield:

- Each pair of Layer Cake® squares yields (3) 9-patches
- One 42 piece Layer Cake® yields (63) light/dark 9-patch blocks plus an extra 9 scrappy 9-patch blocks if you piece the leftover bits

I'm saving my 9-patches and extra squares to make snowballs and 9-patches! What will you make with your 9-patch blocks?

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