

# Celebrate Fall Leaf Block

September 2023

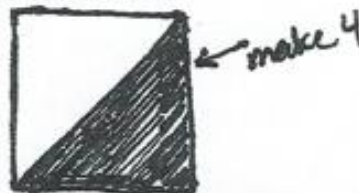
Full pattern available at [www.robertkaufman.com](http://www.robertkaufman.com)

Cutting (fabric available at Guild)

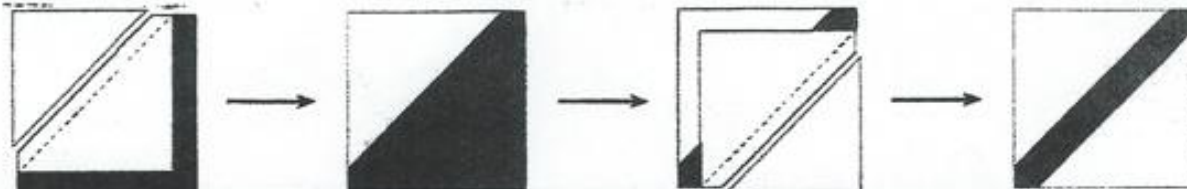
Background fabric (A): two  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares, one 3" square, and two  $2\frac{5}{8}$ "

Leaf fabric (B): two  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares, and ~~three~~ <sup>FOUR</sup> 3" squares *\* cut the  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares on the 7" side*  
*\* cut the four 3" squares on the remaining 6"- $6\frac{1}{2}$ " piece*

1. Draw a diagonal line on the back of an (A)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Place it right sides together with a (B)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Sew  $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from both sides of the marked line, creating two half square triangles (HST). Cut on the diagonal. Open and press toward the darker fabric. Trim to 3" squares, keeping the seam in the center (two HST). Repeat to make four HST.



2. Place a  $2\frac{5}{8}$ " fabric (A) square in one corner of a 3" fabric (B) square, right sides together. Draw a diagonal across the (A) square. Sew a thread inside the diagonal of the (A) square (on the side toward the corner). Press toward the corner and trim the excess fabric leaving a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Repeat with a second  $2\frac{5}{8}$ " fabric (A) square on the opposite corner of the B fabric.



3. Gather one 3" fabric (A) square, three 3" fabric (B) squares, the four HST's you made, and the stem unit from step 2. Arrange to make a nine-patch leaf as pictured. Sew the pieces together to form three rows, pressing the seams in opposite directions every other row. Sew the rows together, nesting the seams. The block should measure 8" square but do not trim it or you will cut off the points. If yours are too large or small adjust the seams that you have sewn.

