"Tossed 9-Patch"

with Kathy Rathbun

Kathy Rathbun demonstrates how to assemble a tossed nine patch with many possibilities of putting the blocks together.



Tossed Nine Patch

The Tossed Nine Patch block is made by taking 9 five inches squares of fabric, sewing them together and then cutting them apart and sewing them together again. This will make a 13" finished (13 1/2 " unfinished) block. Step 1: Choose your fabric and sew the 9 squares together. The center fabric should always be the same in each block made. In the example that I am using I chose to use black on predominant white in the corners and white on predominant black in the other square with the center always being red.

- Step 2: Cut the completed blocks in half horizontally and vertically.
- Step 3: Sew the desired number of blocks that you need for your quilt. Cut each block apart (step 2) into four sections.
- Step 4: Recombine the sections into a block by rotating two diagonal sections so the center fabric is at the outside corner and two sections have the center fabric in the inner corner.





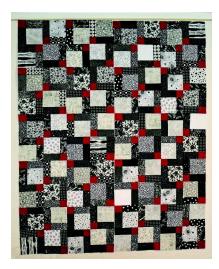


Step 2



Step 4

There are many variations with this pattern. Example #1 is made with black and white and red fabric. Example #2 has only 5 fabrics. Half the blocks are made using 2 fabrics plus the center fabric. Half are made with 2 other fabrics plus the center fabric. Example #3 is made using random fabrics co-ordinate with the center fabric.



Example #1 is made with 20 blocks -tossed and re-combined.



Example #2 is made 5 fabrics only. Two combinations are used (pink and yellow and green and purple) with the center fabric the same. Two sections of each combination are used for each block.



Example #3 is a photo of two quilts taken during guild Show and Tell.