



# Whitlock's Weekly Whimsy

## Week 23

### Block 56

#### Cutting:

<i>Fabric</i>	<i>Measurements</i>
Color 3 and Color 11	1 @ 4 ¼ x 4 ¼
Color 4 and Color 12	2 @ 3 ½ x 3 ½

#### Techniques:

Quarter Square Triangles

Square in a Square

**Block Breakdown:** What a fun block! We will be making 4 QST to form the center square and the adding four pieced triangles using the Square in a Square technique to bring the block up to our 6 ½” unfinished size.

#### Sewing:

Let's begin with the QSTs. Draw a line diagonally on both color 4 squares. Layer RST with color 12. Sew ¼” on each side of the line. Cut on the drawn line. Press towards the darker of your colors.

Draw another line on the back of two of your HSTs. Make sure to draw it perpendicular to the sew line. Layer, alternating the colors and nesting the seam line. Sew ¼” on each side of the line. Cut, press, and spin the center seam. You will have 4 cute little QSTs! Trim them to 2 ½”.

Lay your QST units out to form a pinwheel in the center and sew them together. You will need to spin the center seam to distribute the bulk. This center block should measure 4 ¾”

Time to make the pieced corners that will finish our square in a square. Cut colors 3 and 11 twice diagonally. Just like in block 54, we need to sew our triangles together individually to get the placement correct. Lay the pieces in this way and sew the short side of the triangle.

Now you can use this unit to finish the Square in a Square. Sewing this together is a bit simpler than usual as you can nest the seam when layer RST with the center pinwheel block. Sew the triangles on opposite side first, press towards the pieced corners, then the final two sides.



