## Autumn Leaves Sew Along - Step 3

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Step 3 - Make the 3" Turnstile block


Cut 1 light square
23/4" X $23 / 4$ "
Cut twice on diagonal


Cut 1 med or dk square 23/4"x $23 / 4$ "

Cut twice on diagonal


Cut 2 light squares $23 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 23 / 8^{\prime \prime}$

Cut once on diagonal

1. For each block, sew a $23 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ dark triangle $\mathbf{B}$ to a $23 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ light triangle $\mathbf{A}$ as shown. Make 4 triangle units.

2. Sew a 2 3/8" light triangle C together with a triangle unit from step 1 above. Make 4.


Make 4. Trim each unit to $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$.
3. Arrange the four units as shown below. Sew the top two together into a row, then sew the bottom two together. Sew the two rows together to make the Turnstile block. Trim to $31 / 2^{"} \times 31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. Make 12 blocks.



Make 12.

You may make all 12 blocks from one color paired with the same light background, or use a different colored print for each block and a different light background - OR make the spinning parts from four different prints within the block. Anything goes! Use up your fall-colored scraps and delight in the scrappiness!

These blocks will be used in a pieced border for Step 4, where you'll have the option of using light prints or black/darker prints to finish off the quilt. I'll show you some examples to help you choose. So, if you are thinking of using a dark background for these turnstile blocks instead of light prints, the finished quilt may be entirely too dark if you also choose a dark print for the next step. If you just don't like the look of a light background for your blocks, my suggestion is to use a $\tan$ (or another medium-colored print) to allow for some contrast when the last dark pieces are sewn together.

Next week is our last step! Hope you're having fun!

