

Strip of the Month (SOM) Program for 2019-2020 Strip One - Harlequin


This strip of interlocking squares can be made in a variety of sizes: Directions below are for 3 colours -5 strips of fabric, and the finished size will be 7 " x approximately 45 ".

1. Cut 5 strips WOF (Width of Fabric) as follows:

Fabric A - center strip - one strip 3"x WOF
Fabric B - to be sewn on either side of A - two strips 3" x WOF
Fabric C - to be sewn on either side of B strips - two strips $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ x WOF
2. Sew strips together lengthwise in this order C-B-A-B-C
3. Press well, then cut sewn strip into 3 " segments
4. Stitch segments together in a stair step pattern, matching seam lines. Seams should interlock
5. To square up the ends of the strip, slice through the stair step strip once and then move the sliced stairstep to the opposite end. Sew together to form a segment approximately $45^{\prime \prime}$ wide.
6. Trim the peaked edges of fabric C (outside strip), making sure to leave $1 / 4$ " beyond the points of fabric $B$ to allow for a sewing line.

## Alternate 5 Colour Harelquin

Multi Coloured Harlequin Strip using 2" blocks. Finished width $43 / 4$ ". Use 5 colours of fabrics but narrower strips

1. Cut 3 strips of different coloured fabric in 2 " strips $x$ WOF.
2. Cut 2 strips $21 / 2$ " x WOF
3. Sew strips together with the $21 / 2$ strips on the outside.
4. Press well, then cut the sewn strip into 2 inch segments. Follow directions 4,5,6 above to finish strip.

