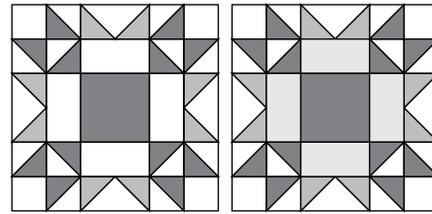
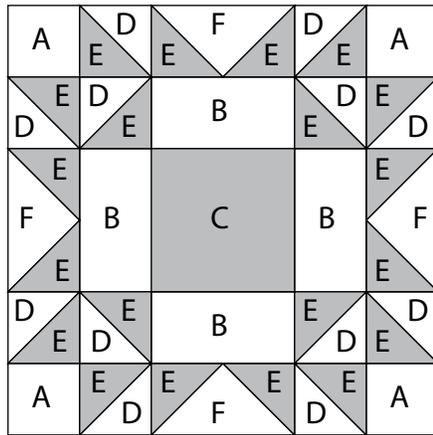


# BH4 Block 3 – Kouign Amann

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Color/shading options.

**Piecing & Cutting Notes:**

- To trim the HTSs to size, add  $\frac{1}{8}$ " to  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the B and C squares. Trim to the size of the A square.
- The Flying Geese units for the  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " block are made with connector/flip-and-sew corners.

**Cutting Instructions:**

9" Finished Block:

- A - (4) squares -  $2" \times 2"$
- B - (4) rectangles -  $2" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$
- C - (1) square -  $3\frac{1}{2}" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$
- D - (6) squares -  $2\frac{3}{8}" \times 2\frac{3}{8}"$
- E - (10) squares -  $2\frac{3}{8}" \times 2\frac{3}{8}"$
- F - (1) square -  $4\frac{1}{4}" \times 4\frac{1}{4}"$

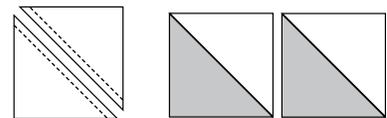
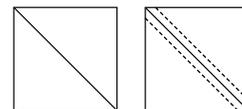
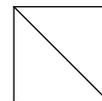
$4\frac{1}{2}$ " Finished Block:

- A - (4) squares -  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$
- B - (4) rectangles -  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 2"$
- C - (1) square -  $2" \times 2"$
- D - (6) squares -  $1\frac{5}{8}" \times 1\frac{5}{8}"$
- E - (6) squares -  $1\frac{5}{8}" \times 1\frac{5}{8}"$
- F - (4) rectangles -  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 2"$
- E for flip-and-sew - (8) squares -  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$

*All seams are a scant  $\frac{1}{4}"$  unless specified otherwise.*

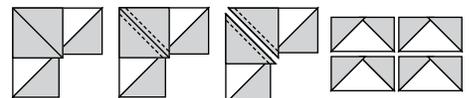
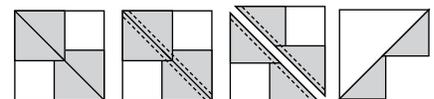
**Assembly**

- On the wrong side of 6 D squares, draw a line from one corner to the opposing corner.
  - Or use Diagonal Seam Tape as a guide.
- With right sides together, align the D squares to the E squares and stitch a scant  $\frac{1}{4}"$  on both sides of the drawn line. Cut the square apart on the drawn line. Press the seam to the darker triangle.



The HTSs will measure  $2" \times 2"$  or  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 1\frac{1}{4}"$ .

- Using the (4) remaining E squares and the F square, make the flying geese units per the instructions on the General Techniques.
  - For the  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " block, use the connector/flip-and-sew corner technique to make the flying geese units.



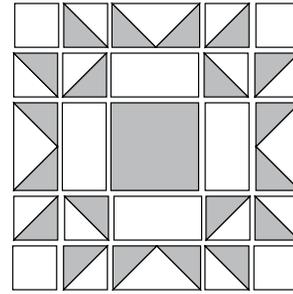
Flying Geese units will measure  $2" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$  or  $1\frac{1}{4}" \times 2"$

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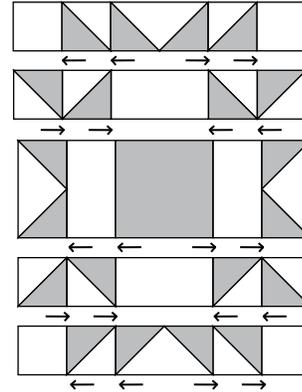
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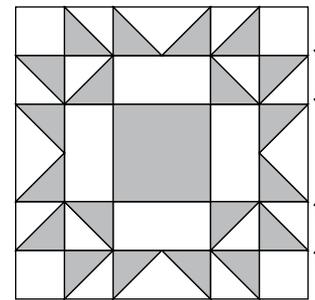
4. Lay out the pieces as shown.



5. Join the pieces to make rows. Press the seams in the direction of the arrows - or press them open.



6. Join the rows to complete the block. Press the seams in the direction of the arrows - or press them open.



- 9" block - block will measure 9½" x 9½".
- 4½" block - block will measure 5" x 5".

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**Stitching with Laurie...**

- The name of the block comes from the the sweet Breton cake, kouign-amann. (Pronounced "queen a-mahn" .)
- The quilting tip I wish I'd learned first started is... GIGO. Use the best sewing notions and fabrics that you can find. (GIGO - "gargabe in, garbage out.")
- My best advice to new quilters is to... forget perfection. If you're insisting on the perfect stitch or perfect quilt you will never finish anything.
- When it comes to quilting/sewing tools, don't get between me and my... Thimble and hand-quilting hoop.
- Don't tell anyone, but when I'm sewing, I don't worry about... much of anything.
- My rock-star stitch group" includes... Ella Fitzgerald - for the tunes. Ina Garten for the nibbles. Jane Austen - she always has a good story or two. Midge Maisel and her manager Suzie - for the laughs.

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**Keeping up with Laurie...**

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