

## FaLaLa Sew Along- Block 2

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This block is called a Greek Square. The pieces are the same as a Churn Dash block, except for the placement of the colors in relation to each other. I love how you can take one block pattern and make a completely different looking block just by switching around the colors! Isn't quiltmaking fun??

He shall be called "Emmanuel," meaning "God is with us". *Matthew 1:23*

I will honor Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year. *Charles Dickens*

Christmas is most truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most. *Ruth Carter Stapleton*

Bless us Lord, this Christmas, with quietness of mind; Teach us to be patient and always to be kind. *Helen Steiner Rice*

Completed block size = 12 1/2" (including seam allowance)

Seam allowance is 1/4"

You will need:

White

- 6" square for embroidery OR (1) 4 1/2" square if NOT doing embroidery
- (2) 5 1/8" squares

Red

- (4) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles

Light Green

- (4) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles

Dark Green

- (2) 5 1/8" squares

For embroidery- Embroider the design onto the 6" White square. **Trim completed square to 4 1/2"**, centering the design.

Place a 5 1/8" Dark Green square right sides together with a 5 1/8" White square. Repeat with remaining White and Dark Green squares.

Use a ruler and a pencil to draw a line diagonally from corner to corner, on the WRONG side of the fabric of each "square pair". Then draw a line 1/4" on either side of this line. I like to use a see-through ruler for this step. (You can also just draw the line down the center, and use your 1/4" foot to sew 1/4" away from that center line... but I like the accuracy I get by drawing in all of the lines.)

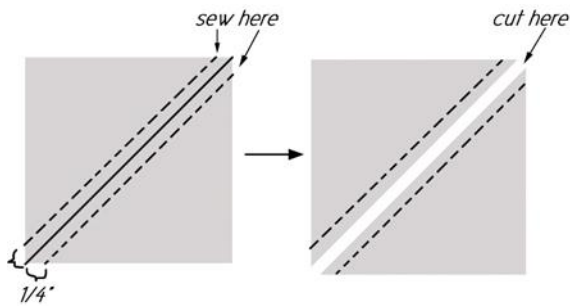


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Pin the pairs together, and sew on those “side” lines (not the center line), then cut on the center line:



Press the seam allowances toward the Dark Green. Now, you have 4 squares (HST's, or Half Square Triangle units), which look like this:



**Trim HSTs to 4 1/2"**. See HST tutorial here [tinyurl.com/hst-easy-tutorial](http://tinyurl.com/hst-easy-tutorial)

Sew Red and Light Green rectangles together along the long sides; press seam allowances open:



Sew the squares into rows as shown; press seam allowances as directed by arrows:



Sew rows together into a block as shown; press seam allowances away from center square:

