

## Three-d pinwheels

Block size 12-1/2", finished 12"

Cut one (1) strip of RED 3-1/2". Sub cut into four (4) 3-1/2"x6-1/2" rectangles.  
Cut one (1) strip of WHITE 3-1/2". Sub cut into four (4) 3-1/2"x6-1/2" rectangles.  
Cut one (1) strip of BLUE 3-1/2". Sub cut into four (4) 3-1/2"x6-1/2" rectangles.

You need four (4) pieces of each color to make this block.



Fold the white strip in half wrong sides together. Place the white on top of the blue, matching raw edges at the top and right side. The fold is at the bottom. Place the red strip on top, making a sandwich. Very important! Always put the red on top or your block will not work. Sew along the right side in a 1/4" seam. Open up and press to the red. There is too much bulk to press open.



Open up the white piece. It makes a triangle. Pin the raw edges together and press.

Repeat, making four (4) units. Arrange in a pinwheel shape. The pinwheel rotates counterclockwise.



Sew the pieces together into a pinwheel, always pressing to the red.  
You could stop now and have a 3-d pinwheel.



Or, you can roll the edges of the triangles back and topstitch. Since this is a bias edge, it rolls very easily. Using an open toe foot, topstitch along the edge. Hint: pin at the points; it is hard to roll that small piece under the foot.



Finished pinwheel blocks. Note how the red block and blue block rotate in opposite directions. To make the blue pinwheels rotate the same as the red, put the blue piece on top for half of your blocks.



### 3-D Pinwheel quilt 60"x84"

To make 24 blocks for a quilt set 4x6, you need:

1-3/4 yd of red OR 8 fat quarters  
1-3/4 yd of blue OR 8 fat quarters  
1-3/4 yd of white OR 8 fat quarters  
1/2 yd for inner border  
1 yd for outer border  
1/2 yd for binding

Cut sixteen (16) strips 3-1/2" x width of fabric of each color)  
Sub cut into ninety-six (96) 3-1/2"x6-1/2" rectangles

\*\*If you are using FQs, cut four (4) 3-1/2"x20" strips of fabric from each FQ. Sub cut each strip into three (3) 6-1/2" rectangles for a total of twelve (12) 3-1/2"x6-1/2" rectangles per FQ

Make twelve (12) blocks with the red on top so for a red pinwheel.

Make twelve (12) blocks with the blue piece on top for a blue pinwheel.

Arrange the twenty-four (24) blocks in a pleasing 4x6 set, alternating red and blue. Sew.

Cut seven (7) 2-1/2" x width of fabric strips of your inner border fabric. Sew together. Sew inner border to the sides of the quilt first, then the top and bottom.

Cut eight (8) strips 4-1/2" x width of fabric strips for the outer border. Sew together. Sew the borders to the sides first, then the top and bottom.

Cut eight (8) strips 2" x width of fabric for the binding.

If you love scrap quilts like I do, this would be a great place to use your RWB scraps.

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