

Background fabric cuts from  
1 @ 13.25" x 12.75"

- A. 2 @ 5.5" x 5.5"
- B. 6 @ 3.5" x 3.5"
- C. 2 @ 2" x 5"

NOTE: The red fabrics go from dark (R1) to light (R4)



R1 fabric cuts from  
1 @ 10.25" x 4.5"

- D. 2 @ 5" x 3.5"
- E. 1 @ 8" x 0.75"



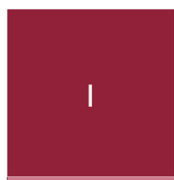
R2 fabric cuts from  
1 @ 13.75" x 3.75"

- F. 1 @ 3.5" x 3.5"
- G. 2 @ 5" x 3.5"



R3 fabric cuts from  
1 @ 10.25" x 3.75"

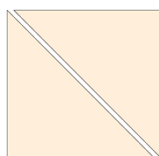
- H. 2 @ 5" x 3.5"



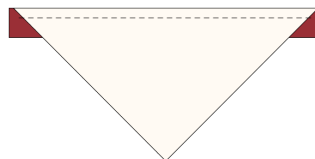
R4 fabric cut from  
1 @ 5.75" x 5.75"

- I. 1 @ 5.5" x 5.5"

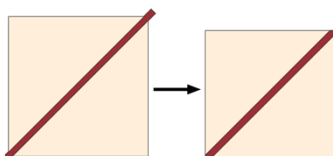
1. Take both A squares and cut each one on the diagonal once to yield a total of 4 triangles. Be careful handling these triangles - do not stretch the bias edges.



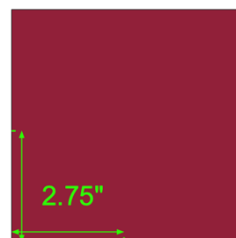
2. With right sides together, sew the E rectangle to the long edge of an A triangle. Press the seam towards the background fabric.



3. Sew a second A triangle to the other side of the E rectangle, making sure to center it along the edge. Trim the unit to 5" square, remembering to align the 45° line of your ruler with the center of the "leaf stem."



4. Take the I square, and mark 2.75" up from the bottom left corner, and 2.75" along the bottom edge from the bottom left corner.

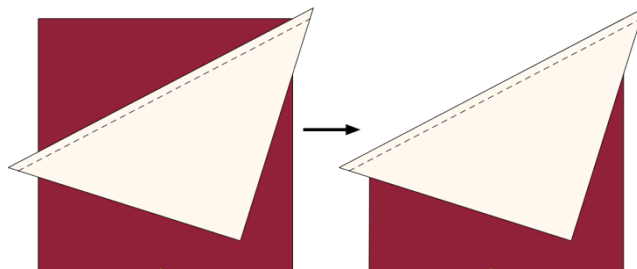


5. Align a third A triangle as shown in the picture on the right - with one point of the triangle matching the top right-hand corner of the I square, and the diagonal triangle edge aligned with the left-hand mark you made in 4.

Sew, using the triangle edge as your edge guide, and then trim off the excess of the I square as shown.

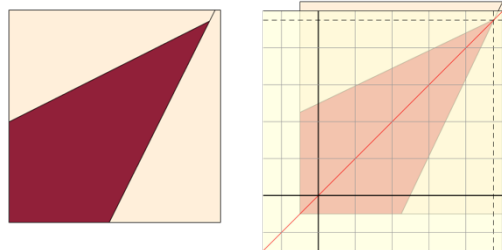
Press this and all remaining seams open.

Trim the unit to 5.5" square, using the I square as your guide.

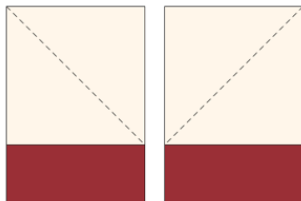


6. Repeat with the final A triangle, again lining up with the same top right corner, and with the 2<sup>nd</sup> edge mark.

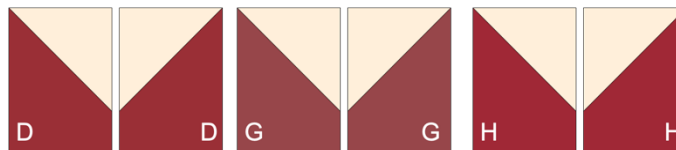
This unit now needs to be trimmed to 5" square. To do this, place any square ruler with the 0.25" point on the 45° line on the point where the 2 seams meet, and align the same 45° line with the bottom left corner of the red fabric. Trim off the excess top and side. Rotate the unit through 180°, align the trimmed edges with the 5" ruler lines, and trim of the excess.



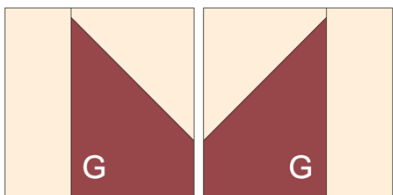
7. Align a B background square with the top edge of a D rectangle. Sew along the diagonal of each B square, going in opposite directions for each unit. Trim off the excess and press. The units should measure 3.5" x 5".



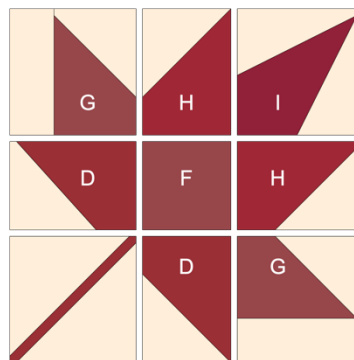
8. Repeat with the remaining B squares and, G and H rectangles. Making mirror image units in each fabric as shown. Again, trim to 3.5" x 5" if necessary.



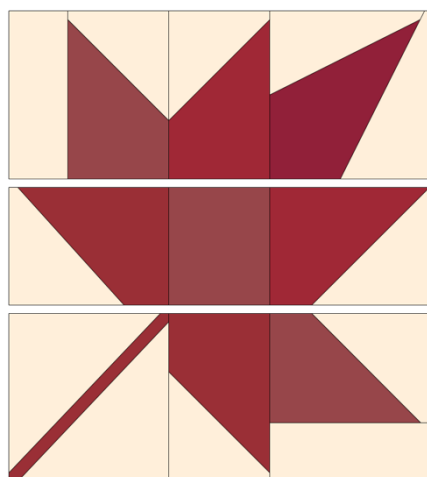
9. Sew a C background rectangle to the side of each mirrored unit you made using the G rectangles, EXACTLY as shown below.



10. Lay out all of your units as shown below.



11. Join the units in each row together.



12. Finally, join the rows together. Your Maple Leaf block should measure 12.5" square.

