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Disappearing 9 Patch Tutorial

The Disappearing 9 Patch block is great. Very easy to make, but looks quite impressive when done! I first discovered it in a book called "Magic Pillows, Hidden Quilts" by Karin Hellaby. I've since seen it on line in various places and using different names. Here's a little tutorial on how to make a scrappy version.



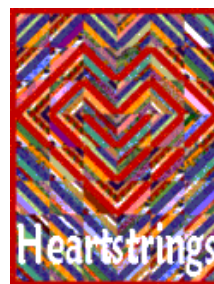
the X of the 9 patch.



Firstly - select and stitch together 9 squares. For maximum contrast try and get 5 darker prints and 4 lighter prints arranged with the darker prints as

Square this up, then cut through the block both vertically and horizontally . (My starting squares were 4", so I squared up to 11", then cut to make each

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5.5".)

new block



Turn blocks to rearrange pattern.



This is my finished incubator sized quilt which used 3 of the original 9 patch blocks. Easy peasey!!

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Posted by Helen in the UK at [8:35 AM](#)

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37 comments:

[ForestJane](#) said...

Very neat! Makes me want to go get some fabric and try both scrappy and non-scrappy variations. :)

[5:10 AM](#)

[Melinda Cornish](#) said...

I am so glad you shared! this is a saver!!!! melinda

[7:25 AM](#)

[SuZ](#) said...

thanks Helen--I think I can do this..LOL...love ALL your quilts! I don't always comment but I keep up with your blog...

12:27 PM

[Amanda](#) said...

Thanks for sharing your tutorial. I really like it.

2:10 PM

[Carole](#) said...

Thanks for the tutorial. A wonderful technique for a scrap quilt!
Happy quilting!

3:10 PM

[Kay Ahr](#) said...

Thanks so much. The local quilting guild had a workshop about this, but I couldn't attend! So thanks to you, now I have all I need!

Kay Ahr in NV

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[Nettie](#) said...

Very cool! Thanks for the tutorial!

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[Hedgehog](#) said...

Cool - thanks for sharing!!

10:30 PM

[Rhonda](#) said...

You have great ideas and wonderful pics. I think I could actually do that!

5:49 PM

[Commonplace iris](#) said...

I'm bookmarking this to try out sometime. Thanks.

5:46 AM

[Lisa SS](#) said...

I love an easy technique! I'm going to try this with my African jacquard batiks. Thank you for sharing it...
lisa@CulturedExpressions.com

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[Lauri](#) said...

This is adorable! I would never have guessed it started out as a 9-Patch!

2:19 AM

[Happy Zombie](#) said...

Oh that is clever. Super clever! And I agree with Lauri... I would never have guessed it started out as a 9-patch either!

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[computerpeach](#) said...

Thanks for the great tutorial-- I have already started one... you can see it on my site...

4:04 AM

[amandajean](#) said...

oh, how fun! I can't wait to try this.

1:59 PM

[Bryenne](#) said...

I am so in love with this technique. Thanks for sharing!

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[Maureen](#) said...

Hi Helen

Like Suz I visit regularly but dont always leave comment.

It's fantastic what can be done with such a simple starting block.

Thanks for sharing!

3:19 AM

[SandyFromNJ](#) said...

Hi there- I'm a quiet member of the Stashbusters Group. Thank you for sharing this quilt. I have 9 patch blocks from an online swap and I didn't just want to make a regular 9 Patch Quilt. This is just what I needed. :)

SandyFromNJ

12:37 AM

[Manu](#) said...

I've just found this tut through doll quilt challenge in Flicker and my heart is racing already! cant' wait to try it!!

thanks!

12:43 PM

[Sid Simpson](#) said...

Thank you for inspiring me!

9:52 PM

[Miriam](#) said...

omigosh! I love this! you are making me want to start quilting.

6:06 PM

[autum](#) said...

Thanks so much! I used your tutorial this weekend for a baby gift and it was so clear and easy to understand.

12:01 AM

[wayfarer](#) said...

Thank you so much for this. It's making my first quilting experience very enjoyable!

1:30 AM

[Kathleen](#) said...

I think your tutorial is great. The pictures really make it easy to understand. What size squares did you use?

4:17 PM

[Reena](#) said...

Wow- got to your site thru the maryLou Weidman chat group- I love that you used all different fabrics! I'll be trying one ASAP. Thanks so much...

Reena from SD CA

7:54 PM

[Danielle](#) said...

Oh my gosh. I am totally new to quilting but I love this pattern and it is so simple that even I can handle it. Thank you so much for showing this step by step for us newbies.

9:28 PM

[Tina](#) said...

Thanks for the easy tutorial. That looks like a lot of fun. I've been wanting to start a new quilt, this one might be it.

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[Cherryskin](#) said...

Thanks for the tute! Great way to utilise charm squares.

9:54 AM

[Anonymous](#) said...

I cut all my leftovers into 5" squares now I have something to put them in. Thanks for the tip. Pam

1:12 AM

[starrynightquilter](#) said...

This is a great idea. I have leftover 9 patch blocks from a baby quilt. I can make something totally new and different looking...THANKS.

2:56 AM

[Anonymous](#) said...

Love this Idea. Thanks for sharing!!!

12:31 AM

[Elaine Adair](#) said...

Re disappearing 9-patch - Great idea! I've always LOVED making a block and then recutting for something new and different. Not sure how this clever one got past me! I'm going home to give this a try for Linus quilts.

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[Tori](#) said...

I have alot of old fabric that I would never use otherwise, I think I'm going to try this.

Thanks for the inspiration!! °Ü°

7:01 PM

[caillou](#) said...

merci pour votre tuto :=)

7:16 PM

[alexandra](#) said...

ahhhhhhhhhhhhhhh! so, that's how it's done!!! Thank you!!!

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[Kim](#) said...

thank you thank you-

I couldn't remember how to do them....

I using 2 charm packs of moda marbles black center and whites....

this will be a good block for service for the guild too

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[craftythisandthat](#) said...

Thank you so much for the tutorial. You make it look so easy and yours turned out so pretty!

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