

ON POINT PLACEMATS

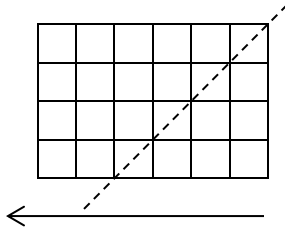
Sew blocks together:

2 ½" squares (48 total) - 8 wide x 6 high

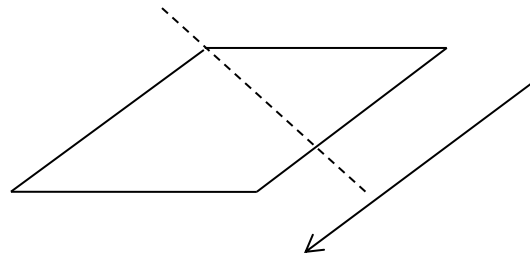
OR 3 ½" squares (24 total) – 6 wide x 4 high

Using the instructions from the September 2016 demo, cut and reassemble as follows:

Cut at the dotted line. (When cutting, the 45° on the ruler should align with the edge of the placemat and the cut must go through the corners of the squares.) Slide the smaller section from the right to the left edge and sew together.



Cut from new top left corner across the placemat as shown in the diagram. With your ruler placed as indicated by the dotted line, the edge of the placemat should align with a horizontal line on your ruler (cutting off a right angle triangle, again through the corners of the squares). Slide the new smaller piece down to the left and sew to the bigger piece, making a rectangle with all the squares on point.



The placemat using 2 ½" squares is a bit smaller than 12 x 18". If you wish, add narrow border pieces before quilting. Layer, quilt and bind.

Advanced idea: *The batting and backing must be at least 1 ½" larger than the placemat top on each side. After quilting, **with the backing out of the way**, trim the batting evenly all around, ½" – 1" larger than the top. Then trim the backing to twice that distance plus ½" from the top (i.e., if the batting is 1" outside the top, the backing should be 2 ½" larger than the top on each side). Press under ¼" on each edge of the backing, then fold to the front, mitering corners and overlapping the top by ¼". Topstitch in place for fake binding/border.*