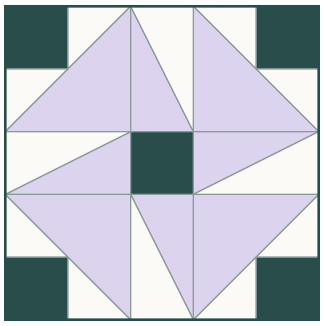
A QUILTPLAN BLOCK PATTERN

CRAZY ANN

Four blades spinning round a square.



25 pieces, 3 fabrics

Crazy Ann spins. Four long Accent blades turn around a small center square, each blade a corner triangle and a slim side triangle meeting edge to edge, with a Main square tucked into every corner. It is an uneven nine-patch: wide corners, narrow sides.

SKILL Intermediate

SEAMS ¼" throughout

SIZES 10", 15" and 20" finished



Cutting

Cut, for one block	10"	15"	20"
1 Main: cut 5 squares Four for the corners of the block and one for the center.	2½" sq	3½" sq	4½" sq
2 Background: cut 4 squares, for triangles Cut once corner to corner: 8 small triangles. A little big; trimmed.	3" sq	4" sq	5" sq
3 Background: cut 2 rectangles Cut once from the top left corner to the bottom right, right side up: 4 long triangles. A little big; trimmed.	3" × 6"	4" × 8"	5" × 10"
4 Accent: cut 2 squares, for triangles Cut once corner to corner: 4 big triangles. A little big; trimmed.	5 3/8" sq	7 3/8" sq	9 3/8" sq
5 Accent: cut 2 rectangles Cut once the same way as the Background rectangles, right side up: 4 long triangles.	3" × 6"	4" × 8"	5" × 10"

Fabric, for one block

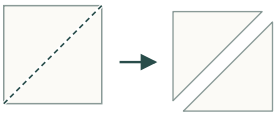
Buy at least	10"	15"	20"
Main	¼ yd	¼ yd	¼ yd
Background	¼ yd	¼ yd	¼ yd
Accent	¼ yd	¼ yd	¼ yd

Worked out the way QuiltPlan's shopping list does it: 42" of usable width, 15% for waste, rounded up to the quarter yard. For a whole quilt, place the block in the app and it totals every block for you.

Good to know

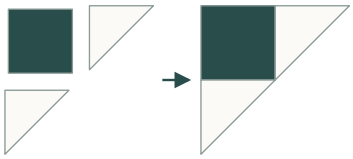
- The long side of every slim triangle is bias and stretches easily. Pin it before sewing and press with an up-and-down motion rather than sliding the iron.
- Why the seam stops short of the corners: a long triangle's seam runs to the corners of the FINISHED unit, a quarter inch in, so on the trimmed unit it meets the short ends an eighth of an inch in. That is what lets each blade's point land on the seam when the block is sewn. QuiltPlan's Half-Rectangle Triangles guide has every size.
- **Why these sizes?** At 10", 15" and 20" every piece of this block lands on a ruler line. At other sizes the app still works out the cutting for you.
- **Want a different size or a whole quilt?** Crazy Ann is in QuiltPlan's block library. Place it on a quilt and the app gives you the cut list, the yardage and the shopping list for every block at once.

Sewing it



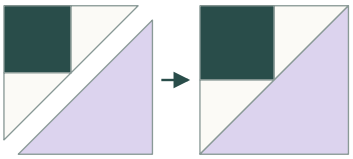
1 · Cut the triangles

Cut each (2) square once corner to corner for the small triangles, and each 4 square once for the big ones. Their long edges are bias: handle them by the corners and do not iron them yet.



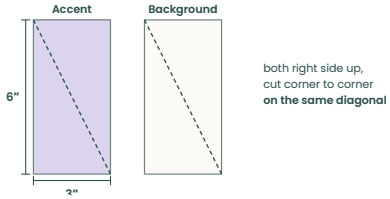
2 · Make the pieced triangles

Sew a small triangle to two touching sides of a 1 square, the triangles' square corners level with the square's outer edges, and press toward the triangles. Trim the triangles flush with the square's two outer edges, then trim the long edge with the ruler's quarter inch line on the square's inner corner. Make 4.



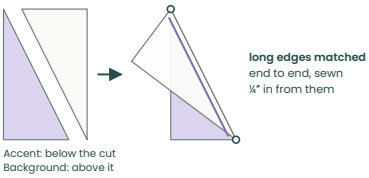
3 · Add the big triangles

Crease the middle of the long edges. Sew a big triangle to each pieced triangle, the pieced side on top so you can see the square's corner and stitch right through it. Press toward the big triangle. Trim to 4½" for a 10" block, 6½" for 15" and 8½" for 20": the ruler's 45 degree line on the seam, the two cut sides measured from the square's outer edges. Make 4.



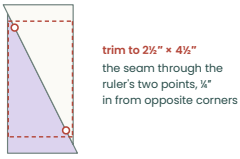
4 · Cut the long triangles

Lay the (3) and 5 rectangles right side up and cut each one from its top left corner to its bottom right corner. All of them the same way, and none turned over: that is what keeps the four blades leaning the same way.



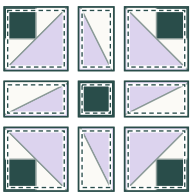
5 · Pair and sew them

Take an Accent triangle from below a cut and a Background triangle from above one. Turn the Background over onto the Accent, right sides together, their long edges matched end to end (they are the same edge, so they match exactly), and sew a quarter inch in. Press toward the Accent. Make 4.



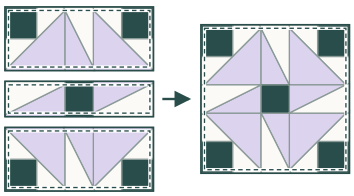
6 · Trim the side units

Each unit is a little big, with a step at each end. It trims to 2½" × 4½" for a 10" block (3½" × 6½" for 15", 4½" × 8½" for 20"). Mark two points on your ruler a quarter inch in from opposite corners of that rectangle, lay the ruler with both points on the seam, trim two sides, turn the unit and trim the other two. The seam now meets each short end an eighth of an inch from the corner. Make 4.



7 · Lay it out

Corner units with their Main squares in the outer corners. Side units between them, turned like a pinwheel so each long Accent triangle runs on from a corner's Accent triangle into one blade. The last 1 square in the center.



8 · Sew the rows, then the block

Sew each row, pressing the top and bottom rows toward the corner units and the middle row toward the center, so they nest. Join the rows and press the long seams open. The block measures half an inch more than it will finish.

Main **Background** **Accent**