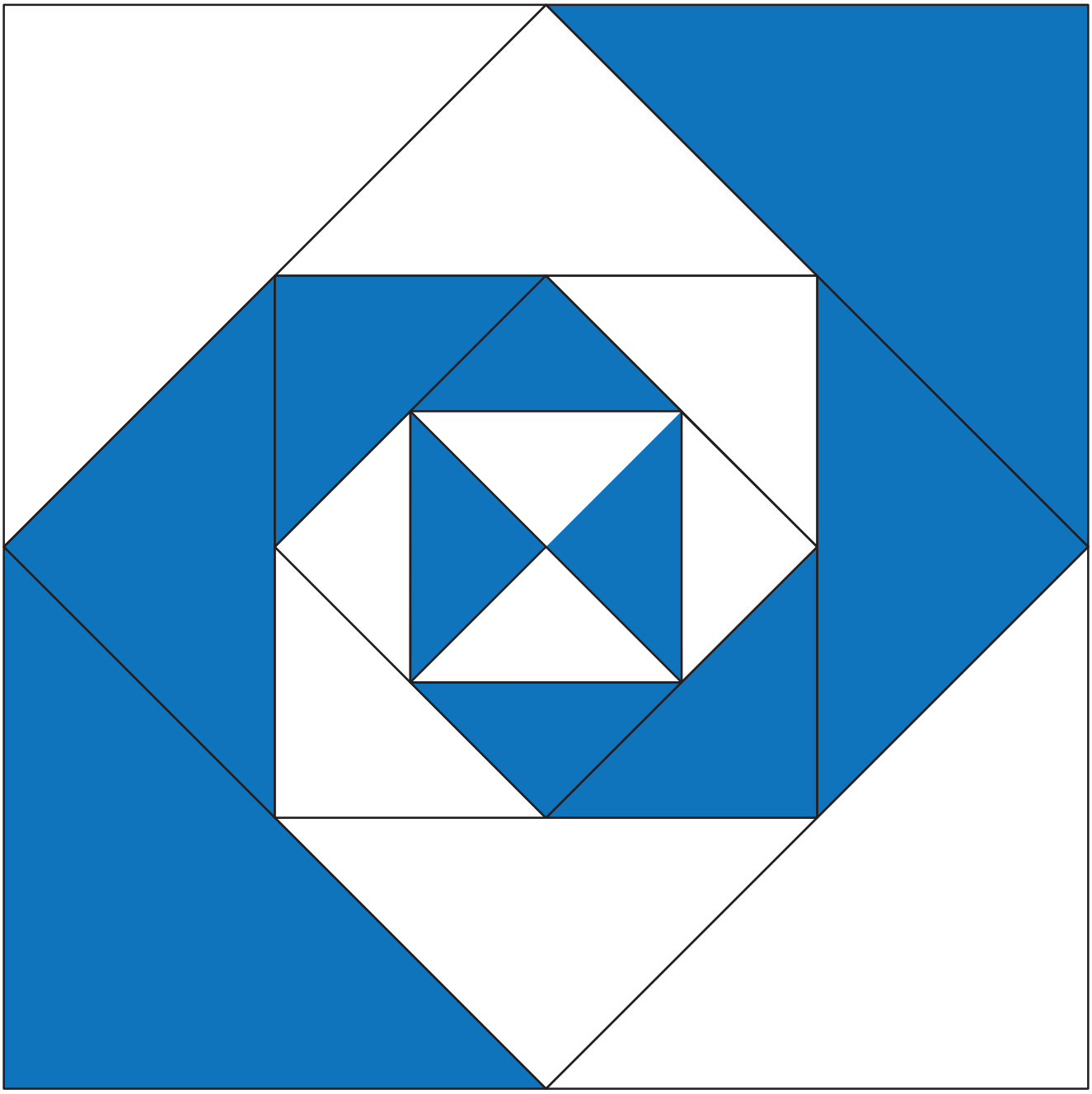
DIFFICULTY LEVEL ▶ Intermediate

Nautilus

FINISHED BLOCK SIZE: 12" x 12"



The assembly for Nautilus is similar to that of Log Cabin, except you are working with triangles instead of rectangles. The block is named after the genus of mollusks that live in the South Pacific and Indian Oceans that have spiral chambered shells. The block dates to around 1910.

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Nautilus

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Read through entire pattern before beginning project. Use ¼" seam allowances with fabric right sides together. Pressing arrows are included with illustrations. Fabric requirements include extra yardage for shrinkage and insurance. If working with directional prints, you may want to begin with more fabric than called for.

HST = half-square triangle
QST = quarter-square triangle

FABRIC:

Fabric A: (1) 9" x 26" strip white fabric
Fabric B: (1) 9" x 26" strip blue fabric

ADDITIONAL SUPPLIES:

Marking pen/pencil

CUTTING:

From Fabric A, cut:

- (1) 4¼" x 4¼" square
- (1) 3" x 3" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs
- (1) 3⅞" x 3⅞" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs
- (1) 5⅛" x 5⅛" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs
- (1) 6⅞" x 6⅞" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs

From Fabric B, cut:

- (1) 4¼ " x 4¼ " square
- (1) 3" x 3" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs
- (1) 3⅞" x 3⅞" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs
- (1) 5⅛" x 5⅛" square cut in half diagonally to make HSTs
- (1) 6⅞" x 6⅞" square cut in half diagonally to make 2 HSTs

BLOCK ASSEMBLY:

1 Referring to **Diagram 1,** draw a diagonal line on wrong side of (1) **Fabric A** 4¼" square. Place marked square over (1) **Fabric B** 4¼" square. Sew a ¼" seam allowance on each side of drawn line. Cut in half on drawn line and press to make (2) **HST Units.** Trim to 3¾" each. Make 2.

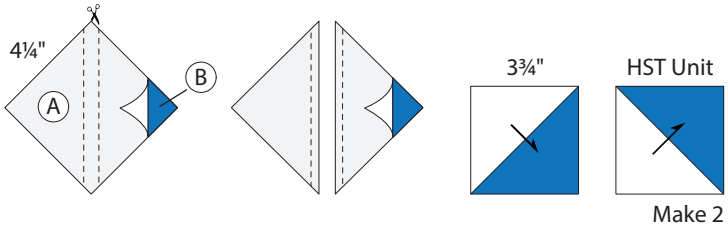


DIAGRAM 1

2 Referring to **Diagram 2,** place (2) **HST Units** right sides together, with opposite fabrics facing and seams nested. Draw a line from corner to corner on wrong side of **HST Unit** as shown and sew a ¼" seam allowance on each side of drawn line. Cut in half on drawn line to make (2) **QST Units.** Center and trim to 4½". You will use 1.

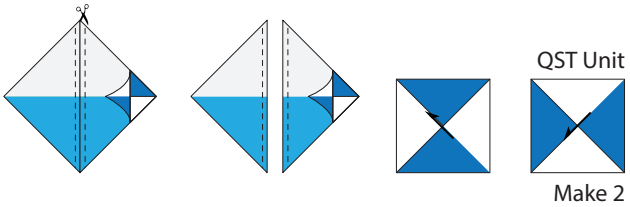


DIAGRAM 2

3 Fold in half long side of (1) **Fabric A** 3" **HST** and gently finger-press center point. In the same manner, fold in half one side of (1) **QST Unit** and finger-press center point. Match folded center points, pin, and sew together as shown in **Diagram 3.** In the same manner, sew a **Fabric A** 3" HST to opposite side. Sew **Fabric B** 3" **HSTs** to remaining two sides to make **Center Unit.**

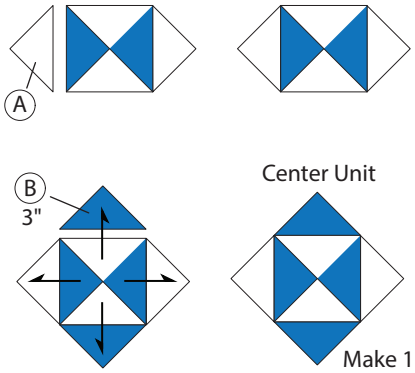


DIAGRAM 3

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4 In the same manner, sew **Fabric A** 3⅞" **HSTs** to opposite sides of **Center Unit** as shown in **Diagram 4.** Sew **Fabric B** 3⅞" **HSTs** to remaining corners.

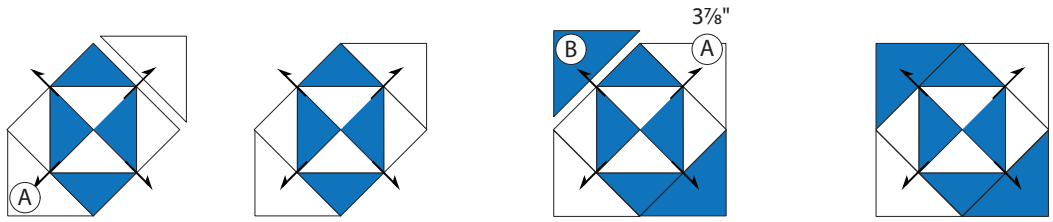


DIAGRAM 4

5 In the same manner, sew **Fabric A** 5⅛" HSTs to opposite sides of **Center Unit** as shown in **Diagram 5.** Sew **Fabric B** 5⅛" **HSTs** to remaining corners.

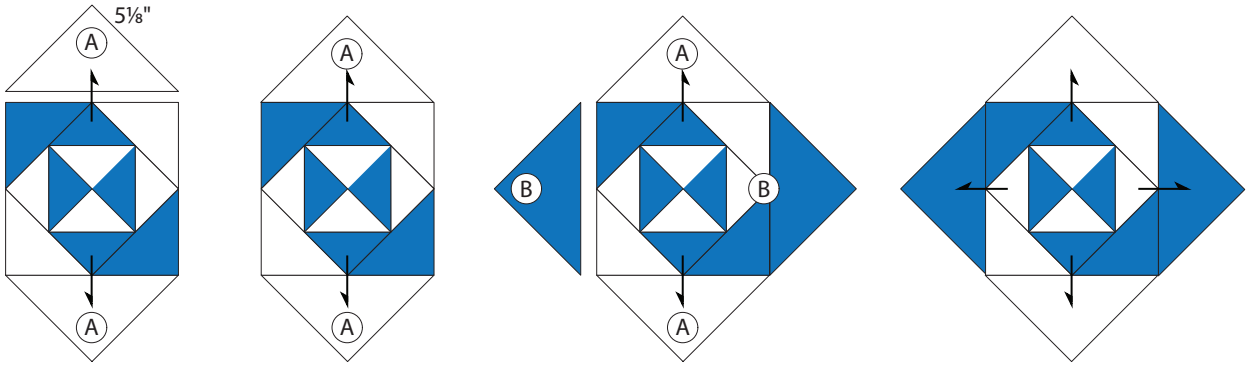


DIAGRAM 5

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6 In the same manner, sew **Fabric A** 6⅞" **HSTs** to opposite sides of **Center Unit** as shown. Sew **Fabric B** 6⅞" **HSTs** to remaining corners to make **Nautilus Block.**

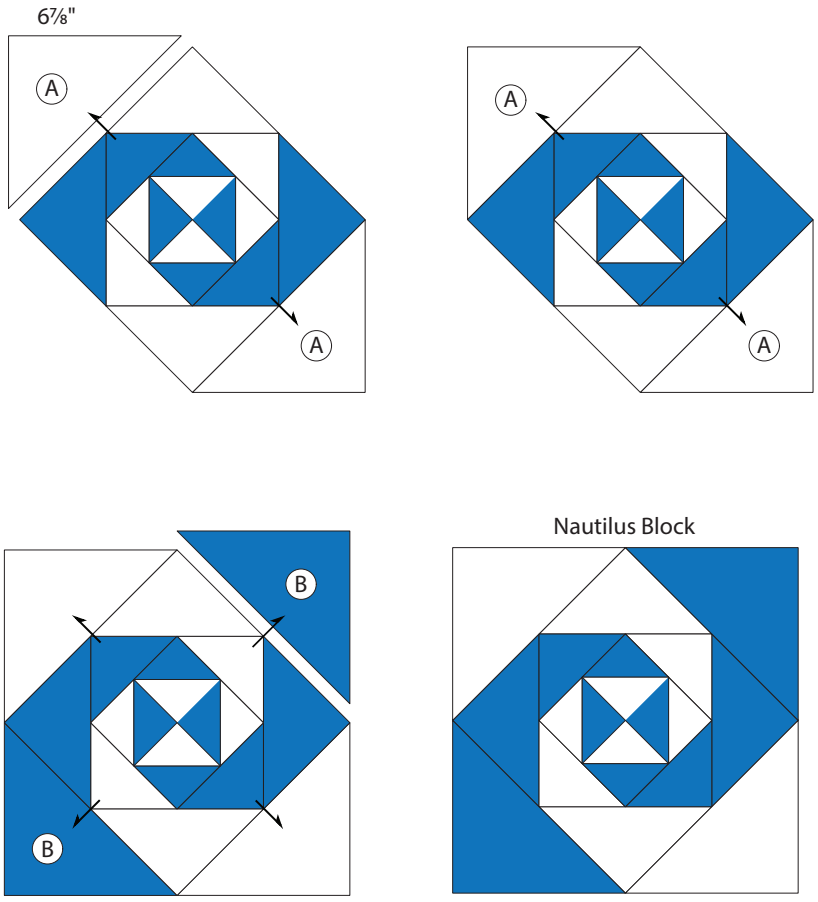


DIAGRAM 6

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