Workshop notes for Hampden Park Charity quilt:

Cut two squares from your feature fabric – suggest 12 %" – and your background fabric; layer one of each right sides together and on the back of the paler fabric draw the diagonal line; sew a seam allowance (approx %" or slightly smaller) either side of this; cut up along the drawn line; press seams to the darker fabric – square up to a size – say 12" or 11 %".

Repeat for the other pair of fabrics .

Lay out the four large half-square triangle into a diamond shape; sew together as a simple 4-patch.

Measure across to give you the length for the 1st border:

Cut a strip of fabric the width of border that you want- say 3 ½" (which will give you approx 3" finished border) - and then subcut to the length you have just measured; you will need 2 pieces this length.

Sew a border strip onto one edge; repeat with the opposite side of the square.

Press borders open and then remeasure to give you the length for the final 2 pieces of the 1st border.

Measure; you are planning to make this quilt up to 40'' square – so you can calculate the width needed or the 2^{nd} border (remember that you need to take off $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the measurement to give you the finished size of your quilt!).

Add 2nd border in the same way that you did the first – and there you have it!!! SIMPLES!

Layer, quilt – quickly and simply – and bind and send off to Ann Hill by 31st May

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