

## April—Block of the Month Go Fly a Kite

Small strip of ribbon or braided  
yarn

**Blue or white background fabric**

Cut 1 14-inch 2.5" wide.

Cut 1 - 12.5" strip 5" wide.

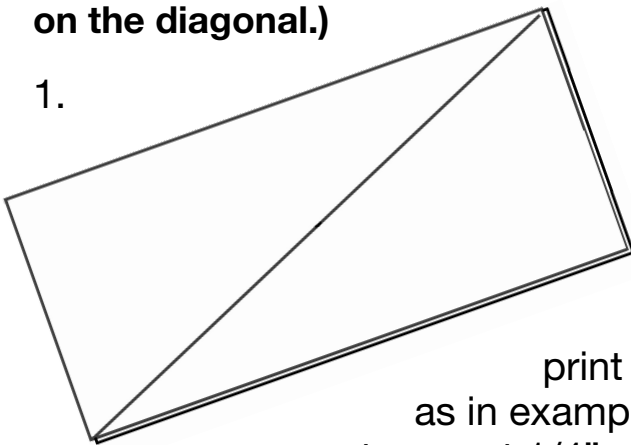
Cut 1 - 12.5" x 3" strip

Cut 1 - 8" strip 5.5" wide and cut  
into 1 - 3" long and 1 - 5" long

**1 5.5" square of print (kite) fabric.  
(I used striped and cut it  
on the diagonal.)**



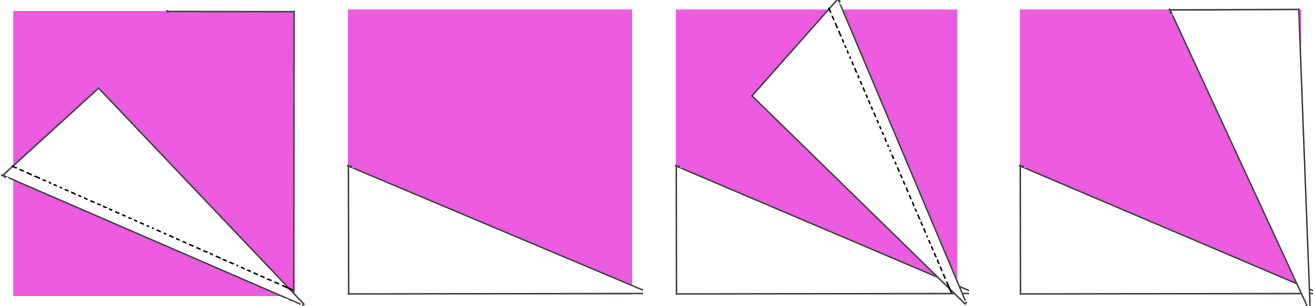
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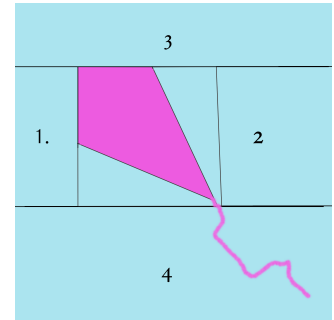
Fold the 14x2.5" strip lengthwise,  
and cut corner to corner, creating  
four triangles. (You will have two  
extra.)

2. Sew triangle background  
pieces in each lower corner of the  
print 5.5" square, 2 inches above corner  
as in examples below. (This is tricky, as you  
want a scant 1/4" allowance at the corner of the apex,  
so you have to place it so that the stitching begins at exactly  
2" above the left corner and over the right bottom corner 1/4".

3. Trim excess print fabric.



4. As shown at right, sew 3 x 5.5" strip on left side and 5x5.5" on right side of kite square. Sew 3" wide 12.5" strip across top.
5. Attach kite "tail" at apex while sewing 5" strip across bottom. Trim to 12" square.



Another option would be to try this scrappy kite. Sewing strips of different widths to a piece of muslin and then proceeding as above. (I should have made it on the diagonal!)

Notice different type of kite tail made by using ribbons. You could also embroidered (either hand or machine), or quilt using heavy thread.



Remember, if you make two Block of the Month's each month and keep one, you will have a sampler at the end of the year.

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