

Accordion Sewn HSTs:

“Using Oompah to Give Some Oomph to Your Scrap Quilts”**

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HSTs are a staple in quilt design, but as a scrappy designer I've had one complaint about the traditional method of making two at once that match – they are too symmetrical to create scrappy enough projects. I want to throw as many combinations of fabrics into a design as possible, so I started to think about how much BETTER it could be if I could create HSTs that didn't have a match, without wasting half of the fabric. And somehow my brain did not fail me, and came up with the Accordion Sewn HSTs. Once you try it, you're going to be hooked!

I can't wait to keep coming up with projects for you to maximize the potential of this technique!
<https://evapagequilts.com/products/the-carpenters-apprentice-sewalong-learn-to-use-my-accordion-sewn-hsts-method>

Watch the YouTube videos and give it a try!

Part 1 – Why accordion?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dc3CIOPu4_w&t=1s

Part 2 – Sewing!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZfZ3ktCeclU>

Part 3 – Cutting Apart

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eB-ITjPy2J4>

“Beth, I have to tell you that the half square triangle technique is brilliant!

Before trying this it looked totally insane and complicated and too much trouble to make HSTs - but I am totally in love and will be using the method for all of my HSTs from now on! It was a lot of fun and I totally enjoyed this. It was a very simple process; once you have the squares cut and in your hand it became almost a natural movement. Thank you for thinking this up.” - Rita Mulvey, block tester for upcoming book

**Look for the upcoming book of the same name, June 2018!