

## Block of the Month

# Disappearing Rail Fence



Pattern  
from  
'Create  
with  
Claudia,  
Disappearing  
Rail  
fence'

If you

would like to see a video tutorial of this block follow the link below.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v\\_JkahCywZo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_JkahCywZo)

Please read all instructions carefully

**Materials:** Four 2 inch x 5 inch rectangles (any white or white on white print)  
Eight 2 inch x 5 inch rectangles in chosen colour range, all different.

**Method:**

1. Using a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch seam throughout make 4 rail fence blocks with the white and the darkest of your coloured blocks on the outside. Press the seams on two blocks one way and two blocks the opposite way.
2. Place the blocks with the white stripe at the top.



Cut 2 blocks diagonally from the top left corner to the bottom right corner and 2 blocks from the top right corner to the bottom left corner as shown in photograph 1.

Photograph 1

3. Turn the blocks so that the eight small triangles are in the centre of the block as shown in photograph 2.



Photograph 2

4. Sew the diagonal seams making sure you nest the seams accurately. Press. Trim each block to 4 ½ inches. If you have been careful with your seam allowance you shouldn't have to trim much away.

5. Sew each block in pairs again, nesting the seams (photograph 3.) At this stage I press the seam open, I think it makes a neater centre.



Photograph 3

6. Sew the pairs together (photograph 4) and press the seam.



Photograph 4

Your block is now finished and should measure 8 ½ inches including seam allowance.

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