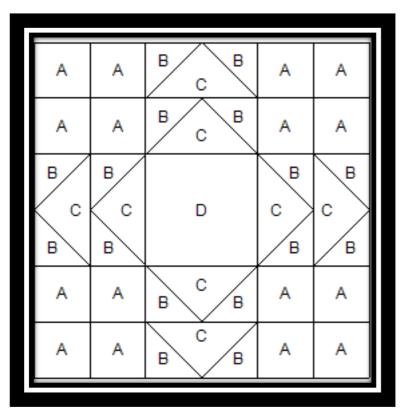
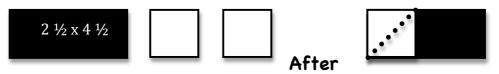
I've had a lot of questions about the black and white quilt on my blog, so I thought I would post the block here so you can recreate it if you want. I had a huge selection of black and white prints that I had collected before I had even attempted the quilt. The greater the variation the better, black on black, black on white, white on black. I basically purchased fat quarters whenever I saw them.



The block appears to be a square in a square when you look at it but it is really stacking flying geese units to create the effect. The directions given below will yield a twelve-inch block.

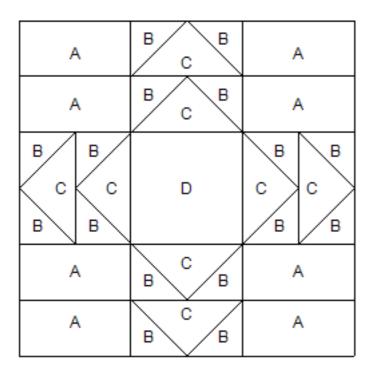
Patch A – 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch square of fabric. Patch B – 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares Patch C – 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  rectangles Patch D – 4  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches squares.

Assembling the flying geese unit: You need  $1 - 2\frac{1}{2}$  by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle and  $2 - 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares. With right sides together lay a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch square on top of the  $2\frac{1}{2}$  by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle. Sew from the center diagonally to the lower edge. Assembling the flying geese unit: You need  $1 - 2\frac{1}{2}$  by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle and  $2 - 2\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares. With right sides together lay a  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch square on top of the  $2\frac{1}{2}$  by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ inch rectangle. Sew from the center diagonally to the lower edge



sewing on the diagonal press the triangle open. It's important for accuracy to press. You can finger press but I keep an iron right next to my sewing machine so that I can press the seams properly as I sew. Add the next block and sew and press. I have seen different opinions on whether to cut off the waste triangle created. I prefer to cut it off. Others say it leave it on.

## I also used a variation of the block.



In this case Patch A is 4 ½ by 2 ½ inches. By randomly adding to the layout of the quilt this block creates movement.