



BEGINNER | 1 DAY CLASS

30 YEARS IN THE MAKING

Finished Quilt: 52" x 52"

Quilt design by Linda Ambrosini, featuring the Hoffman Challenge Vault, a Spectrum Digital Print.

The road to quilting greatness has been a "Hoffman Challenge-ing" one. Our commemorative digital-print panel featuring contest fabrics let you join in our celebration with this fast-and-fun project.



Q4436 119-Vintage

1384 174-Seamist

1384 643-Borealis

FABRICS	1 KIT
Q4436 119-Vintage	1 Panel
1384 174-Seamist	1 1/4 Yards
1384 643-Borealis	1 Yard*

* includes binding

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52 by 52 Inches Approximate

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This panel gives you fabric swatches of each of the last 30 years of Hoffman Challenge Fabrics. We have come up with a cute half-square triangle quilt that uses all of the fabrics. The following instructions are to make our design, but take on a “challenge” and create your own. Check out Google; type in half square triangle layouts and you will be amazed at the number of options for this simplistic little block.

Note: ¼ inch seam allowances are assumed.

Fabric Requirements:

1	Challenge Panel
1 1/4 yds	Background Fabric
1 yd	Border and Binding Fabric

Fabric cutting: Cut the different challenge fabrics apart from the panel, using scissors works best. Using a rotary-cutter, cut the background fabric into (6) 7 inch by WOF strips and sub-cut into (30) 7 inch squares.

Creating the blocks:

On the back of the 7 inch background squares draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. Pair a background square and Challenge fabric, right sides together and sew a scant ¼ inch seam on each side of the diagonal line drawn. You will create 30 pairs.

Cut the paired fabrics in half along the drawn line. Open and press the seam allowance towards the challenge fabric. The use of spray starch at this time will help the blocks from stretching along the bias.

You might have some variances in size (this is normal) thus this squaring step. Using a square ruler with a diagonal line, line up the diagonal line with the seam and as close to two adjacent sides as you can. Trim away any excess fabric. Next align the edges you just cut to a common size for all your blocks. Mine for this quilt was 6 1/4 inches. Trim the remaining two sides to this dimension. Now all your blocks will measure 6 1/4 inches and

the diagonal seam will hit the corners perfectly! You have created 60 half-square triangle blocks.

The quilt layout shown has 4 blocks of solid background fabric, this is where the sixth and last strip is used. Cut background blocks to the dimension of your squared half-square triangle block, for me this was 6 ¼ inches.

Quilt construction:

The quilt shown is 8 blocks by 8 blocks. Refer to the quilt's photo if you like this layout. Remember, these are "Challenge" fabrics, so if you want to play a bit and create your own look we would love it. Once you achieve your final layout, sew the rows and then the columns together.

Border with fabric cut at 3 ½ inches to frame your design. Measure the sides first and cut the length of fabric to that dimension, sew, and then repeat for the top and bottoms.

Quilt and Bind