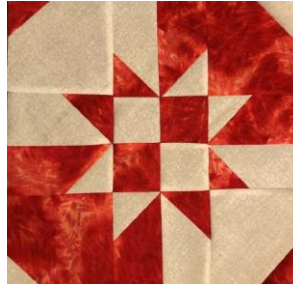


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Match the squares with right sides facing. Sew down each side, using a 1/4" seam allowance.

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Press the HST open with the colored fabric on top. Trim the dog ears top eliminate bulk.

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Fig 1



Fig 2



Fig 3



Fig 4



Fog 5

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