

Quilting the Kaye Wood Way!

Perfect, easy Y-seams—Tumbling Blocks

A great class idea—teach this technique!

Give a quick demo or have a hands-on sit-and-sew.

Make any size diamonds.

1. Cut three diamond shapes (A, B & C).
It's easy to cut diamonds from a strip using the Starmaker® 6. See the book, *Starmaker® Design Concepts*.
For fussy-cut diamonds, use the View & Do™ Diamond Shape.
2. Sew diamonds B & C together.
Press the seam allowances of the open.
3. Line up all sides of the A diamond, right sides together, underneath the B diamond.
Start sewing at the edge.
Stop sewing with the needle down in the center of the seam allowance between the B and C diamonds.
5. With the needle still down in the center of the seam, fold the B diamond and line up the edge of the C diamond with the A diamond.
Sew to the end.
6. Press the seam allowances away from the A diamond.

Kaye's Y-seam technique is used in many of her books and patterns:

Fussy-cut directions for tumbling blocks are included in the following patterns:

Diamonds of Yellowstone
Dimensional Diamonds
Diamonds in Motion
ABC Quilt

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