This block is fun and easy to make and allows for many different patterns when put together.
Cut $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares of black and white from a $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ wide strip. For each 6 " block layer a white block on a black block 2 times. Draw a diagonal across the white blocks and sew $1 / 4$ on either side of the line. Cut on the line. You will have now have 4 black/white half square triangles. Press seams to dark side and trim to $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

Cut two $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares from the black strip.
Cut a $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square from a dark blue and two $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares from a light blue.
Sew the squares into a nine patch arranging the colors as shown.


