

# WINDMILLS

A pattern that can be as scrappy or co-ordinated as you like. Using a limited number of fabrics will allow you to use strip piecing whereas totally scrappy will need the pieces cut and sewn individually.

To create 9 blocks.....

For the centres....can be either a focus or the background....one WOF strip 4 1/2" cut into 9 - 4 1/2 inch squares.

For the "blades" of the windmills, 12 inches of each fabric 2 - 4 1/2 WOF and a "bit" enough for 2 - 2 1/2 x 4 1/2" pieces

Background - 20 inches WOF. Best use of fabric is to cut 2 pieces 8 1/2 inches and sub-cut to 2 1/2 inches and one strip 2 1/2 inches cut into 8 1/2 inch segments for a total of 36 pieces.

Sew your blade strips together into a strata. Sub-cut into 2 1/2 inches segments. Depending on your WOF you will probably be 2 segments short, cut the necessary pieces from a 2 1/2 inch strip and combine end to end.

Add a strip of background to each segment taking care to be consistent with the pieces. Your windmills can "blow" either way but need to be all the same.

Once you have all your components, lay out your blocks. They will be pieced starting with a partial seam.

Scrappy blocks are made in much the same manner only instead of making the blades from strips you will need 72 pieces, 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 of multiple fabrics. Join along the narrow ends into pairs and then add the background strip.

