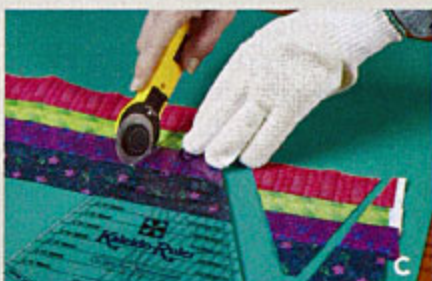


Using a Kaleidoscope Ruler

Foundation piecing scrap strips onto a wedge shaped paper or fabric foundation is the traditional method for making Spiderweb blocks.

Now, kaleidoscope rulers make short work of piecing this block.



1. Determine the size block you plan to make. If the ruler doesn't tell you the strip or strip set width needed to cut your pieces, use another ruler to measure from the line for your block size to the top tip of the ruler.

2. Cut random-width strips from a variety of fabrics and join into a strip set that is the determined width or slightly wider. Press seam allowances in 1 direction.

3. Place line on ruler for your block size along 1 edge of strip or strip set. Cut along edge of ruler (*Photo A*), trimming off end of strip set at an angle. (You will need to reach around and cut toward yourself to make this cut, or make the cut and rotate the strip set to make the next cut.)

4. Cut along the other angled side of the ruler to cut 1 wedge piece (*Photo B*).

5. Place strip width line on ruler along edge on opposite side of strip set. Cut along angled edge to cut 1 wedge with the opposite fabric sequence from the first wedge (*Photo C*).

6. To make 1 web, combine 8 wedges. We used 2 sets of 4 wedges each from different strip sets (*Photo D*). To complete the block, cut triangles for the block corners. Some brands of rulers include cutting lines for the corresponding corner triangles. Our instructions call for cutting triangles oversize and trimming the block square after triangles have been added.