mod chevron baby quilt by rashida coleman-hale

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R ashida's uber-simple baby quilt is made from 47 half-square triangles and one square of fabric. That's it. The punch comes from the arrangement of the half-squares and it packs a wallop! If the thought of HSTs sends you running away in fear, man up, Q-bie! They're not nearly as hard as we want to think they are. And because we'll be trimming them down to their finished sizes, there's room for imperfection.

materials & tools:

- Cotton/linen blend: 1 ¼ yards
- Scraps: 1 ¼ yards total
- Backing Fabric: 1 ¹/₂ yards (no piecing required)
- Binding: 1/3 yard
- Square ruler 6 ½" or larger
- Mechanical pencil

half-square triangles (aka HSTs) makes 47 blocks

cutting:

• From cotton/linen (5) strips at 7 ¹/₂" x WOF

• Cut each strip into 7 ¹/₂" squares. You will have 25 when done. You need (24) for the HST and one whole square.

• From scraps, cut (24) 7 ¹/₂" squares.

piecing:

1. Pair up one cotton/linen square and one scrap square, right sides together. Draw diagonal line on wrong side of cotton/linen from corner to corner.

2. Sew ¼" seam on either side of diagonal line. If you don't have a ¼" foot, draw parallel line on either side of center line, ¼". These will be your sewing lines.

3. With rotary cutter, cut along middle line creating two sewn triangle pairs.

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4. Press HST open, pressing seam to scrap fabric.

5. Use square ruler to line up diagonal seamline and trim block to $6\frac{1}{2}$ square. Repeat for (46) HST blocks.

6. Trim single 7 ¹/₂" square to 6 ¹/₂" square.

sewing it together:

7. Following illustration, arrange blocks on table, floor or design wall.

8. Piece blocks together into rows, left-to-right. Each row has 6 blocks and there are 8 rows.

9. Piece rows together top-to-bottom.

10. Layer top, batting and backing together. Baste.

11. Quilt and bind as desired.

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