

Books & Cats by Beth Strand @ Words & Stitches
12"x30" finished



Cutting

Background

2 - 1.5" x 12.5"

4 - 2.5" x 2.5"

1 - 1.5" x 6.5"

2 - 2.5" x 3.5"

2 - 4.5" x 8.5"

2 - 4.5" x 4.5"

1 - 2.5" x 5.5"

1 - 1.5" x 2.5"

1 - 2.5" x 9" to cut triangles

Books

Large book with contrast band

1 - 2.5" x 2.5" main color

1 - 1.5" x 2.5" contrast

1 - 7.5" x 2.5" main color

Additional books 1 each

1.5" x 6.5"

2.5" x 9.5"

2.5" x 10.5"

2.5" x 7.5"

Cats (1 set for each color of cat)

1 - 6.5" x 4.5"

1 - 4.5" x 4.5"

2 - ½-square triangles cut from 2.5"x 3" using ½-square triangle ruler.

I started by laying out my first section like this

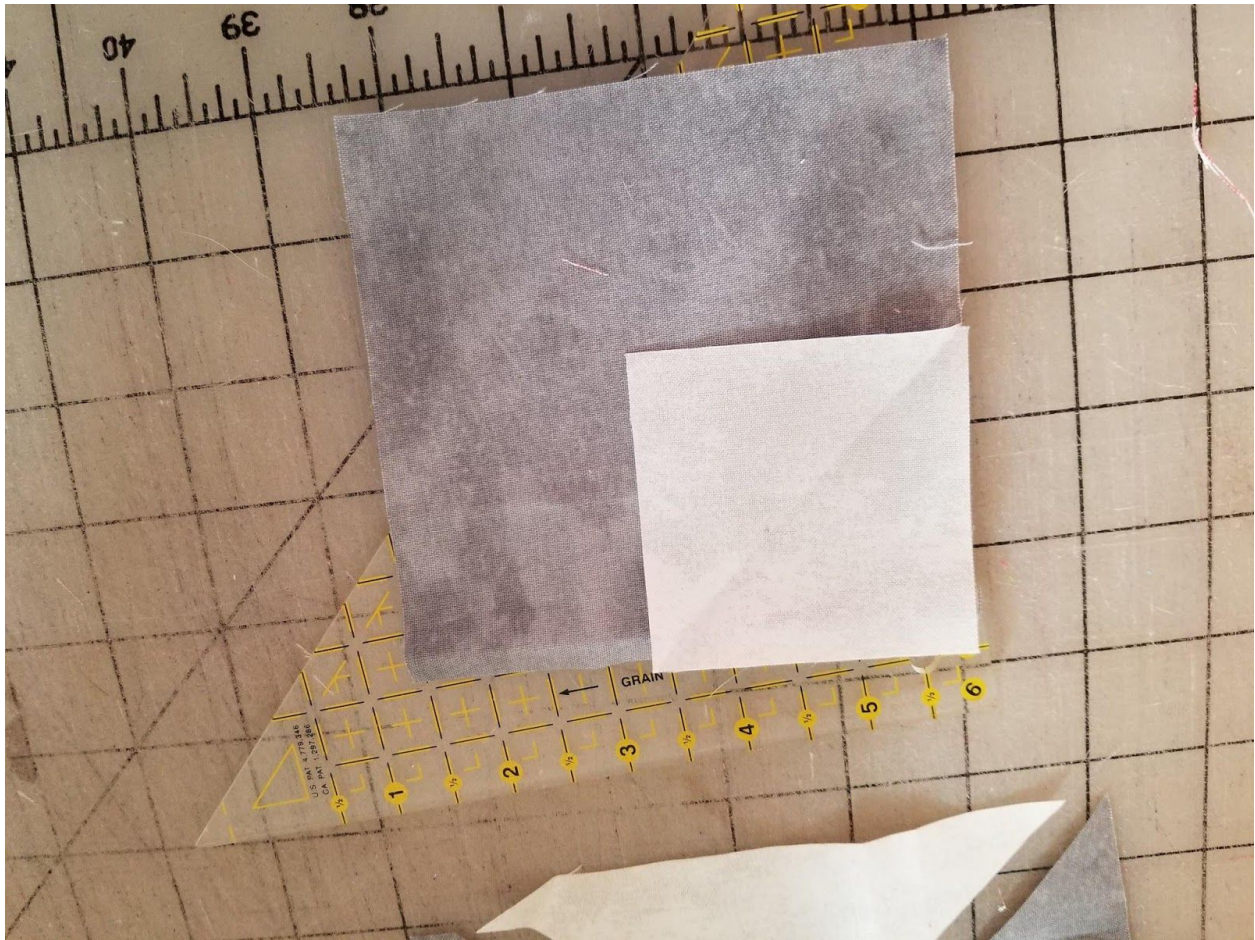


Large book sections plus 2.5x2.5 square of background
1.5" x 6.5" book with matching background strip
9.5" book with 2.5"x3.5 background

Sew together as shown

Cat block

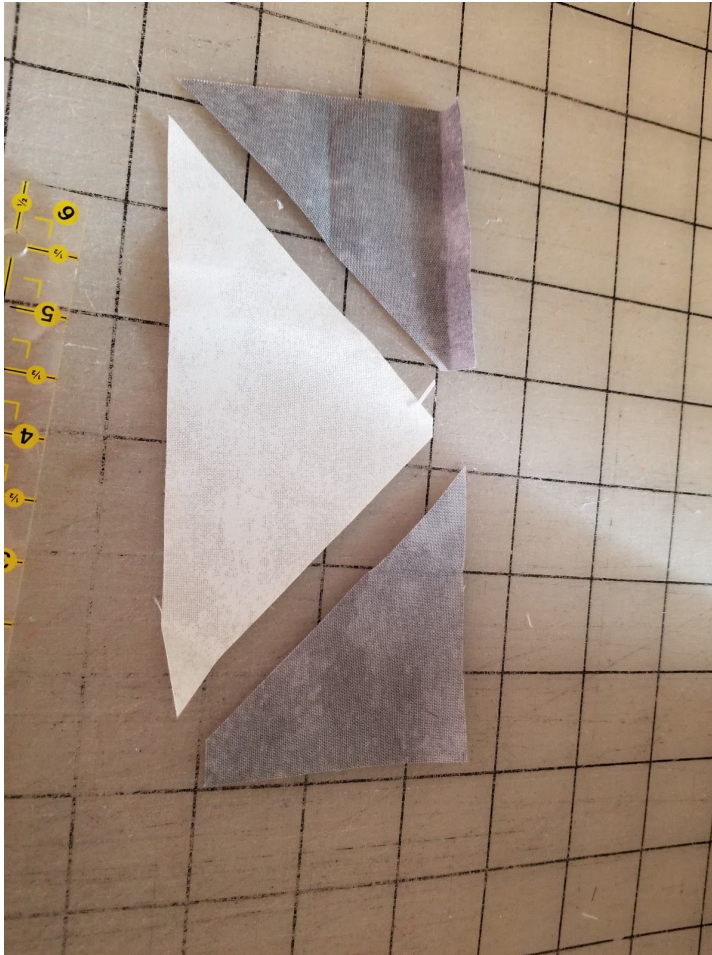
Place background 2.5" square on 4.5x4.5" square. Sew on the diagonal and fold back and trim.
This will be the cat's back.



Add 4.5 x 8.5" background to top of block as shown.



For Cat Ears, cut a quarter square of background and two $\frac{1}{2}$ squares of cat color from your 2.5" strip. Sew the first side as shown, press and sew the other. (Trim the dog ears...this is a kitty



block!)



Sew the unit to the top of the 4.5" x 6.5" Cat fabric.



Add the 4.5x4.5" background square to the top.



Sew to the first cat block and you have a kitty!



Add a 1.5"x12.5" strip to the ear side of the kitty. When you make the mirror image, you will want your background triangle on the small square on the opposite side of the block.

Piece the remaining 2.5" books to their corresponding background pieces and add the 1.5" strip to the side. Piece the second Cat block and add the final book.

And there you have my happy place...with my books and my cats!

