Hourglass Unit Cheat Sheet for Quilt Patterns

The cut sizes below refer to hourglass units made with the traditional method, where two fabric squares are each cut on the diagonal twice and yield two hourglass units. The cut sizes are listed 1/4" larger to allow for trimming down.

Cut Size	Trim to Measure	Finished Size
2"	1"	1/2"
2 1/4"	1 1/4"	3/4"
2 1/2"	1 1/2"	1"
2 3/4"	1 3/4"	1 1/4"
3"	2"	1 1/2"
3 1/4"	2 1/4"	1 3/4"
3 1/2"	2 1/2"	2"
3 3/4"	2 3/4"	2 1/4"
4"	3"	2 1/2"
4 1/4"	3 1/4"	2 3/4"
4 1/2"	3 1/2"	3"
4 3/4"	3 3/4"	3 1/4"
5"	4"	3 1/2"
5 1/4"	4 1/4"	3 3/4"
5 1/2"	4 1/2"	4"
5 3/4"	4 3/4"	4 1/4"
6"	5"	4 1/2"
6 1/4"	5 1/4"	4 3/4"
6 1/2"	5 1/2"	5"
6 3/4"	5 3/4"	5 1/4"
7"	6"	5 1/2"
7 1/4"	6 1/4"	5 3/4"
7 1/2"	6 1/2"	6"
7 3/4"	6 3/4"	6 1/4"
8"	7"	6 1/2"
8 1/4"	7 1/4"	6 3/4"
8 1/2"	7 1/2"	7"

Traditional Hourglass Unit Method:

1. Cut two fabric squares on the 2. Assemble Hourglass Unit. diagonal twice.



3. Trim Hourglass Unit to required size.











