

## *Amanda Jane Textiles*

6 Press the seam allowances in rows 2 and 4 to the left.



7 Pin row 1 to row 2. There are four places where the vertical seams in row 1 match seams in row 2. Pin these points, inserting the pins at right angles to the strips, ensuring that one set of seam allowances go to the right and the other set to the left. Insert additional pins in the seam allowances to secure. Then pin the two long strips to each other at the beginning and at the end. Finally, insert additional pins at right angles along the length as needed.



8 Stitch on a sewing machine, removing pins just before the presser foot reaches them.

9 Join row 3 to row 4 in the same way, pressing as before.

10 Join the row 1+2 piece to the row 3+4 piece (there are just two points where the vertical seams align).



11 Press all the horizontal seam allowances downwards.

Then turn to the right side and check the colour balance in your block. If you are happy with it, you can go on to make the rest of the quilt. If you find you have adjoining pieces of the same fabric or an area that doesn't look quite right, then change the order of the blocks and re-label them.

