Twisted Sisters
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Light and dark fabrics are stitched or "sistered" together, sliced, and recombined to make twisting pinwheel-type blocks that fit together with or without sashing strips. Other options include floating the pinwheels, folding 3-dimensional block centers, and experimenting with leftover chunks, bits, and pieces to create more quilts. You’ll have a lot of choices.

You’re going to learn:
- How to sew an accurate quarter-inch seam (really).
- How to make a partial seam (not scary at all).
- How to easily join patches that don't set at right angles by finding the "dog ear" (way cool).

My philosophy for this class is: Do it right the first time so you don't have to waste your time and compromise accuracy by "squaring up" the block when you’re "done."
(Wow. That was profound.)

Skill Level: Beginning, Intermediate

Supply List: Twisted Sisters Rotary Template & Pattern is required and can be purchased in class for a discounted price of $17. Bring: sewing machine, neutral thread, rotary cutters, mat and ruler. Fabric can be totally scrappy, coordinated, or in between. Bring equal amounts of paired lights and darks or paired color #1 and color #2. Fat quarters or "regular" yardage both work. (Each pair of fat quarters yields three blocks; each pairing of "regular" yardage yields six blocks and some extra pieces.) Fabric for 3½" x 3½" block centers (color #3 or a repeat of #1 or #2) are also required. Bring sashing fabric if desired or as safety net if your cutting/sewing techniques aren’t the best. The greater variety of fabrics, the more fun. Don’t haul more than 10 pounds. Overachievers may cut strips from each pair into 3½" x 22" (twist) and 5¼" x 22" (background) strips if working with Fat Quarters, or 3½" x 44" (twist) and 5¼" x 44" (background) strips if working with full-width yardage. (This means, of course, that they will be committing to a block strategy without hearing what I have to say on fabric combinations. Who knows? I may say something important in class! Just a thought.)

Duration: 6 hours

Size Limit: 25 students

Click HERE to see Twisted Sisters quilts made by students who have taken this workshop or used my pattern.
Download a Twisted Sisters Coloring Page to help you audition colors and values before committing to fabric.