Disappearing 4-Patch
approximately 47” x 56”

Fabrics:

2 charm packs, 1 print and 1 solid, 42 pieces each, or
42 print squares and 42 solid squares from your stash

Construct the 4-patch blocks. Press the seams in a circular pattern around the block. The center seam will open making a very flat block. This sometimes takes a little coaxing but the results are a smooth center to your block.

Pressing diagram

Cutting Diagram

Place the block right side up on a cutting surface. Line your ruler with the 1¼” line on the center seam. Cut and reposition the ruler around the block until you have cut all four sides. Be careful to keep the block aligned correctly before making each cut.

There are many ways to rearrange the pieces of your 4-patch. Play with them until you find an arrangement you like and then sew the block together. You could even mix and match the pieces so all the prints in a block are different.

Lay out your completed blocks and decide if you want to sash them or set them block to block. The quilt pictured uses a mix of solids for the sashing and cornerstones. The cornerstones are 1½” squares and the sashing strips are 1½” by the size of the block. I added and ½” first border and a 2½” outside border.