

## Tips for Lefties!

I get asked a lot about how to use my ruler and method if you are left-handed, so thought I would share what I tell folks and some diagrams for using my ruler for the first two cuts. First, you should know that my Mom is a leftie, so I have a special place in my heart for all of you right brainers out there! I have used my Mom for a guinea pig to inform me what works for her.

(Karen is her name, and where I got every bit of my creativity from!)

Her suggestion is simple, and seems to work in my classes and for those lefties who have asked for further instruction.

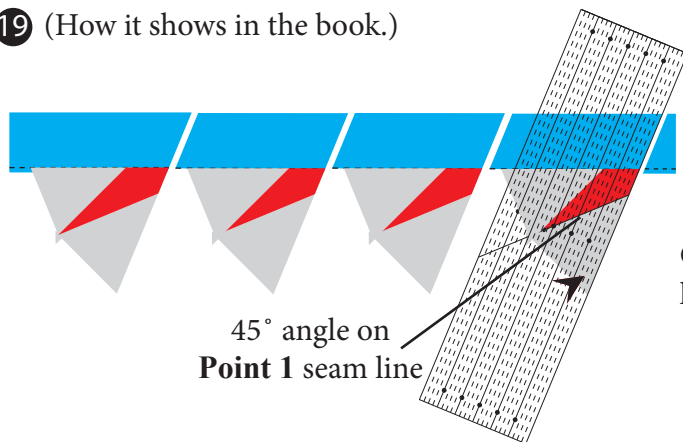
### Turn the book upside down when looking at the illustrations.

Many of you lefties already know this trick. When you turn the book upside down to look at the illustrations, they are automatically oriented for making a left hand cut. I know it is a little bit of a pain to read the book one way and look at the illustrations another, but hoping this tip will help you when you are making any cuts. For making regular straight cuts, this works really well. See the illustrations below.

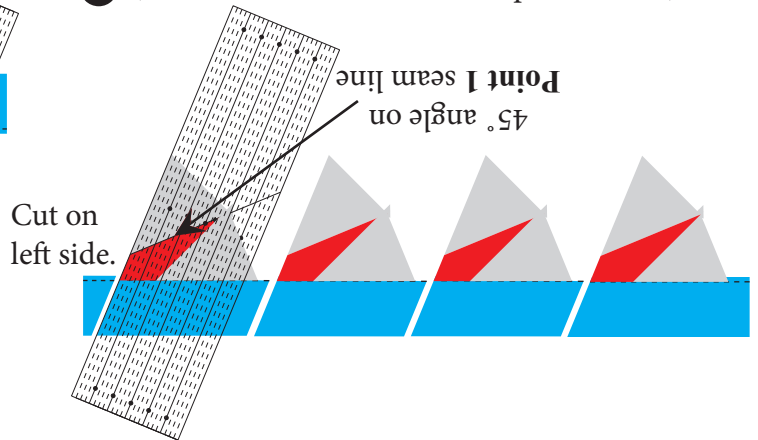
To help you a little further, I went ahead and made an edited version of Page 7 for the Skinny Robin 45° and Fat Robin 60° Books to make the instructions match better with the illustrations. You might want to copy these pages for your book so you can use them for a reference on the first two cuts. When you go to use my ruler again on Page 10, you can turn the book upside down and use the same instructions I am including here.

Happy Compassing!

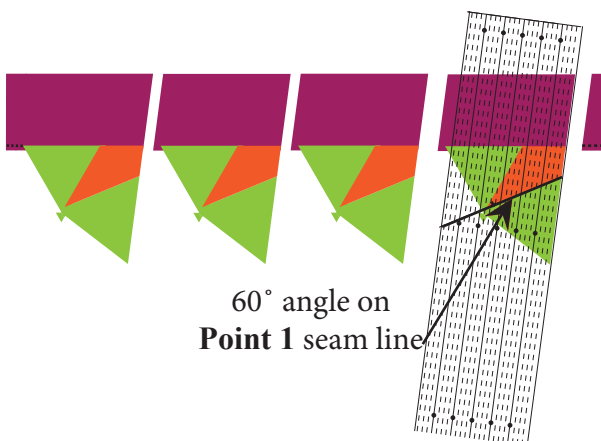
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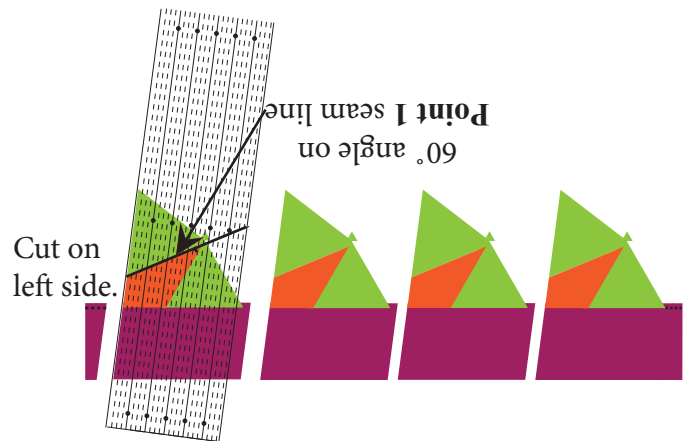
19 (How it looks with the book upside down.)



19 (How it shows in the book.)



19 (How it looks with the book upside down.)



# Skinny Robin

(This example is for an 18" block.)  
Make both cuts on a unit before moving on to the next.

## 10 First Cut "High and Right"

- 1) Line up **Kite B** upper left dashed line on raw edge of building unit.
- 2) Place **solid line** of size block you are making from **right side of Kite B** on **seam line**. Make cut as shown.

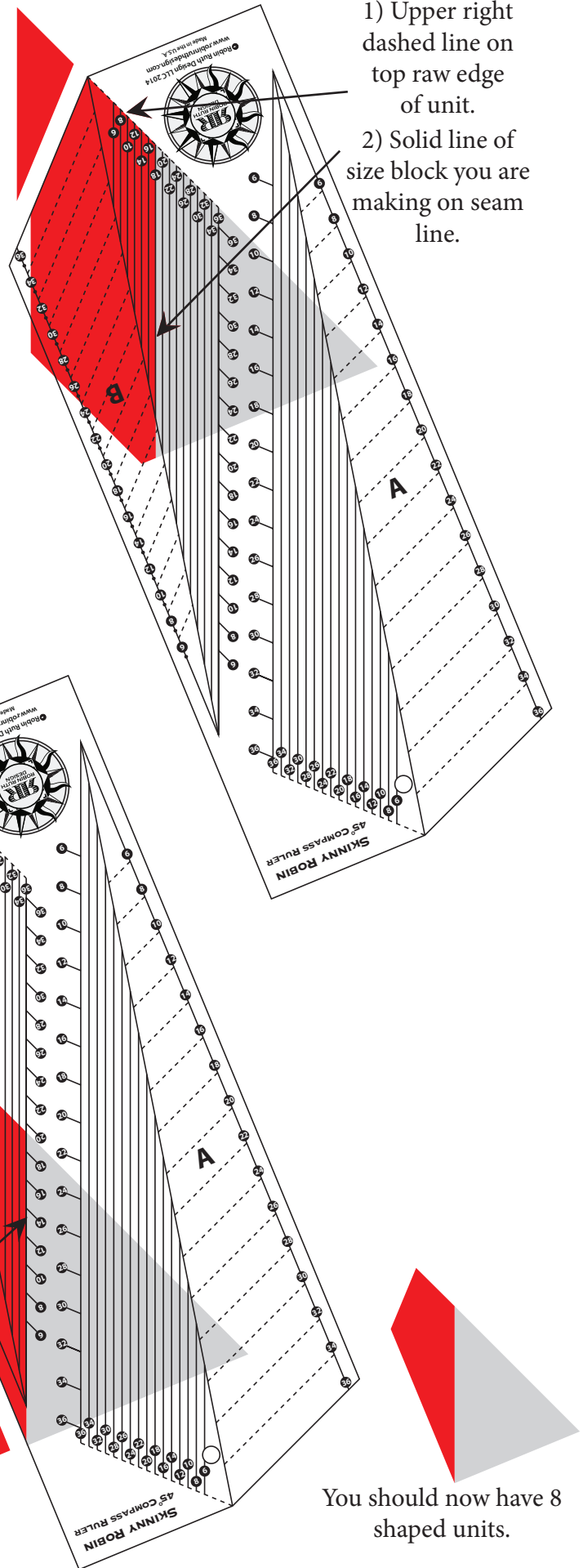
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Slide ruler up to make next cut.

## 11 Second Cut "Low and Left"

- 1) Place **Kite B** left side dashed line of size block you are making on upper left raw edge.
- 2) Place **Kite B** right most solid line of kite on seam line.
- 3) Check center line is on top point of unit. Make cut as shown.

- 1) Left side dashed line of size block you are making.
- 2) Right most solid line on seam line.
- 3) Center line on top point of unit.

- 1) Upper right dashed line on top raw edge of unit.
- 2) Solid line of size block you are making on seam line.



You should now have 8 shaped units.

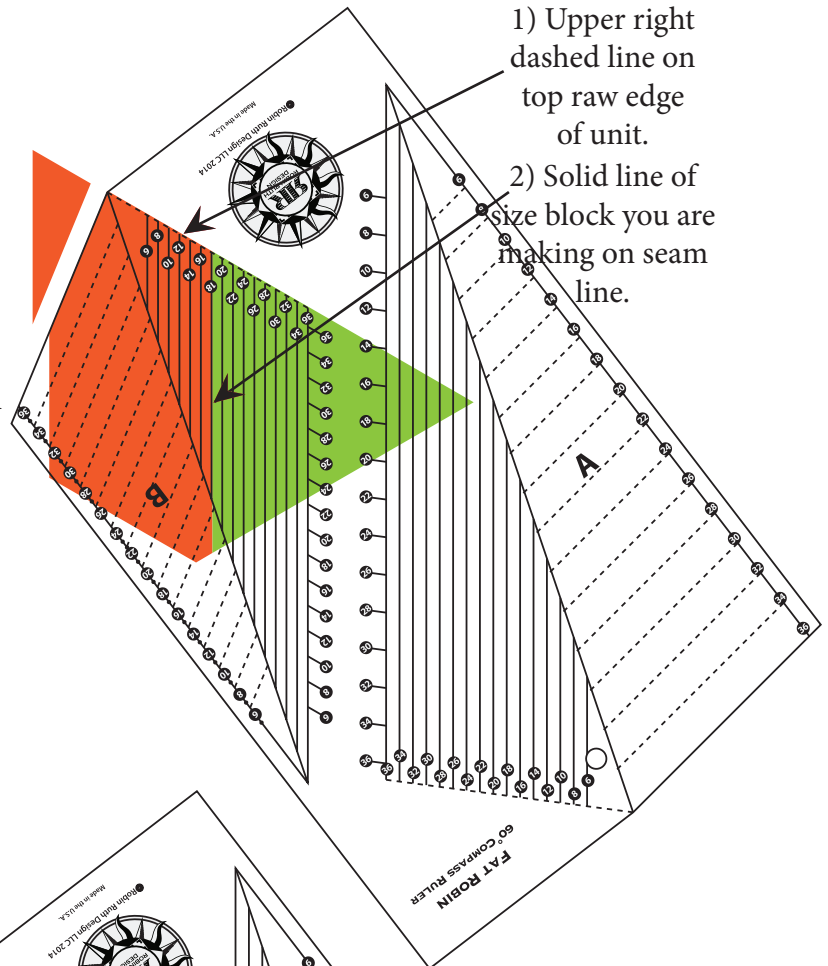
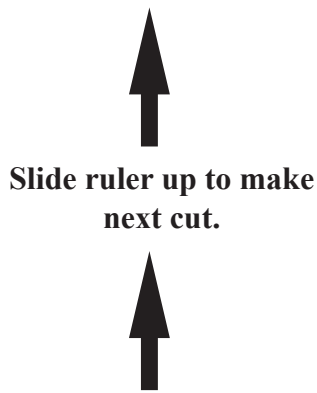
**Fat Robin**

(This example is for an 18" block.)  
 Make both cuts on a unit before moving on to the next.

**10 First Cut  
 "High and Right"**

- 1) Line up **Kite B upper left dashed line** on raw edge of building unit.
- 2) Place **solid line** of size block you are making from **right side of Kite B on seam line**. Make cut as shown.

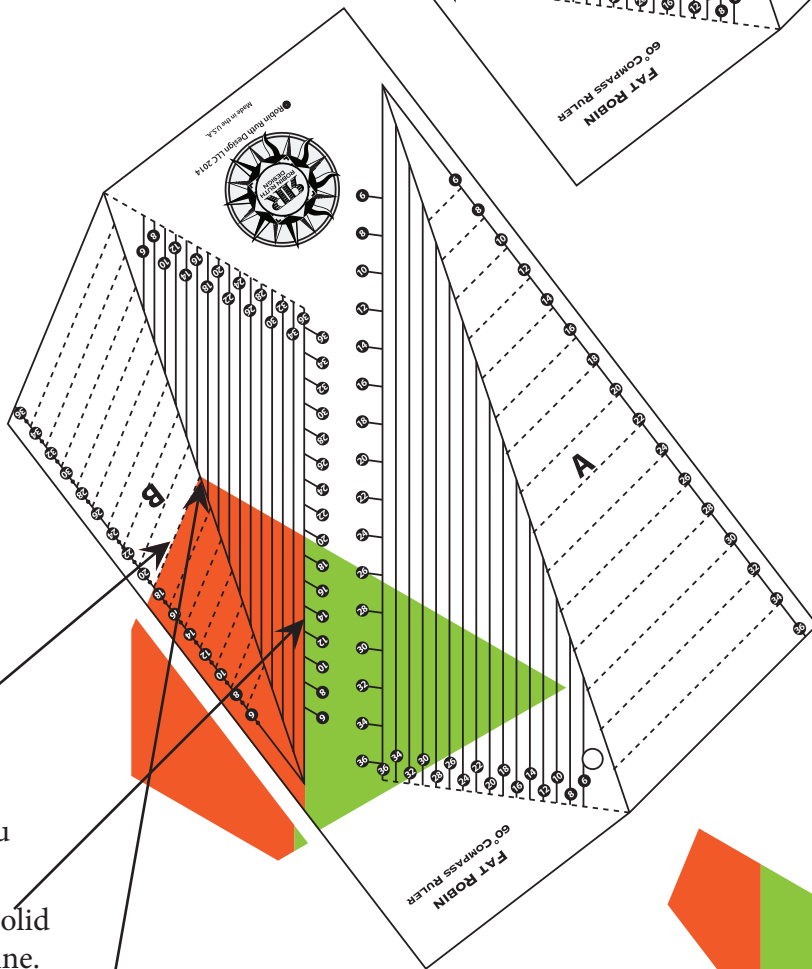
- 1) Upper right dashed line on top raw edge of unit.
- 2) Solid line of size block you are making on seam line.



**11 Second Cut  
 "Low and Left"**

- 1) Place **Kite B left side dashed line** of size block you are making on upper left raw edge.
- 2) Place **Kite B right most solid line** of kite on seam line.
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