

**Seymour Quilters Guild  
Grow-a-Quilt 2021  
Step 2 – Rail Fence**

Make a Rail Fence border to go along one or more sides of your starting block.

**Making a Rail Fence Block:**

- Cut 1.5" strips of four fabrics.
- Sew all four strips together to make a strip set.
- This is an opportunity to check your ¼" seam as you assemble the block. Two strips sewn together should result in a strip that measures 2.5" wide. All four strips sewn together should result in a strip that measures 4.5" wide.
- Cross cut the strip set into 4.5" x 4.5" blocks.

**Making the Rail Fence Border:**

Join the blocks by turning every second block by 90 degrees.

**Helpful Resources re the Rail Fence Block:**

- Spruce Crafts – [Easy Rail Fence Bed Quilt Pattern](#)
- Seymour Quilters Guild – Block of the Month February 2009 – [Pinwheel Twist on the Rail Fence](#). This is another example of the use of Rail Fence and can be another option if you decide to make a Block of the Month quilt.
- Jenny Doan, Missouri Star Quilt Company – [Rail Fence](#). Jenny gives hints on making the blocks. This is another option with Rail Fence that would make a good wheelchair quilt.