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What is a Fat Quarter

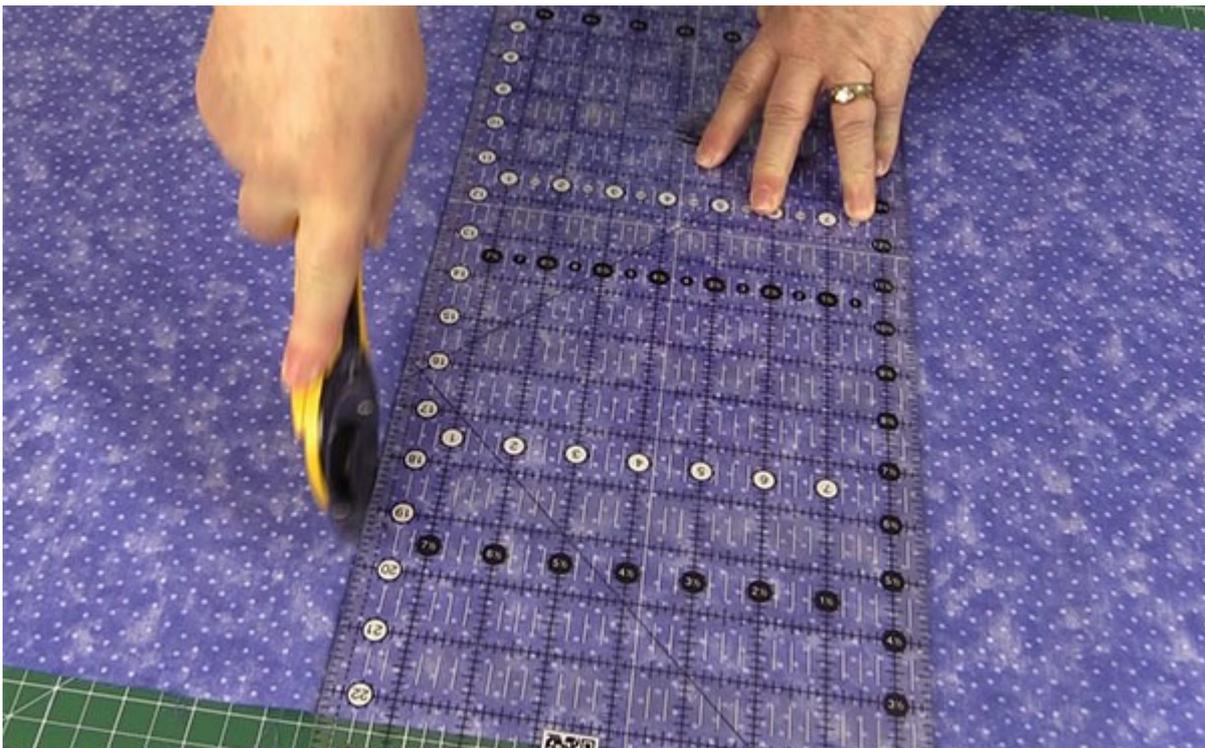
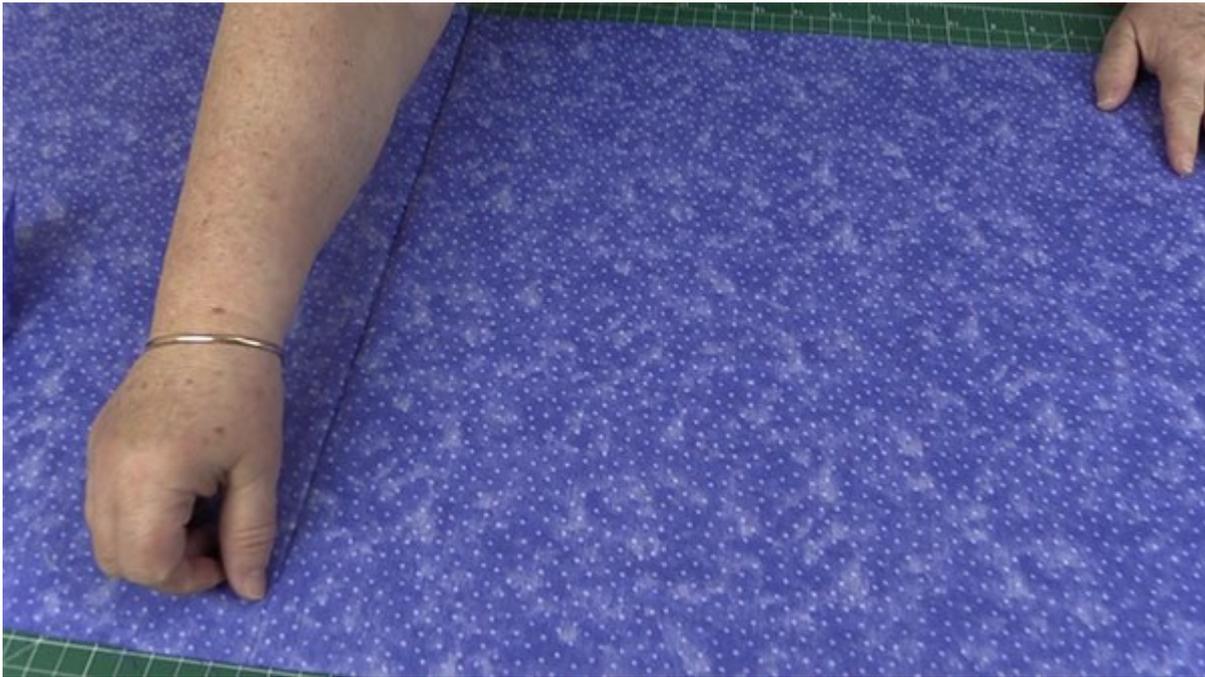
- It's a piece of fabric measuring approximately 18" x 22" (46cm x 56cm).
- Quilters and patch workers generally use fat quarters because of their shape and size.
- A normal quarter of a yard cut from a bolt would measure 9" x 44" (112cm x 23cm), so you can see why fat quarters are so much more useful for many projects.

How to Cut a Fat Quarter

- Take $\frac{1}{2}$ yard of fabric, that is still folded in half across the width of fabric.
- It's important to note that the long edge of the fabric should measure at least 22" or more.



- Open the fabric out.
- You will see a fold line in your fabric. If your fabric has been folded perfectly, ie. the selvages line up perfectly, then you can use that fold line as a guide to cut.
- If your fabric has not been folded correctly then simply measure 22" along the long end and cut.
- You will now have two fat quarters.



Calculation for those working in Metric measurements

Here in Australia oftentimes, fat quarters are cut using a $\frac{1}{2}$ metre of fabric. The fat quarters will be slightly different as they generally measure 50cm x 55cm (20" x 22").