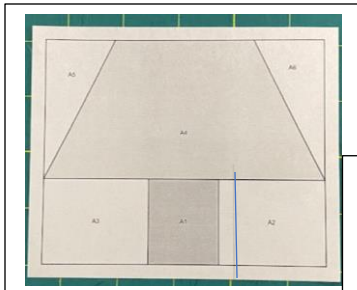


Downtown Month 13 (Trees and finishing)

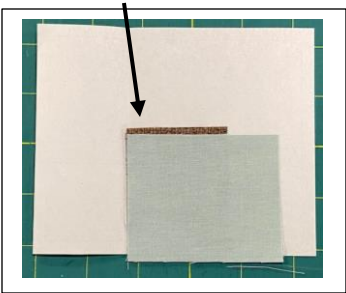
Biggest Tip I have for this block is to double the number of cuts for the trees on the pattern. The pattern gives the number of cuts needed for 1 tree, but you are working on 2.

1. Fabrics are right side face up on opposite side from printed side. Laser ink can sometimes run onto the fabric so you always want to be sewing on the printed side and keep the good side of the fabric on the opposite side.
2. I use a fabric pencil to mark the sections so that I make sure I am picking up the correct fabric.
3. If you cannot see through the paper, fold the sew lines. This helps to judge that the fabric will cover the entire space. I always mark $\frac{1}{4}$ " of where I start. Also trimming along the outer edge (include seam allowance), will help judge full coverage.
4. Make your stitch length is smaller so it is easier to remove the paper later. I usually click the down button twice. I would do the smallest where you could rip out the seam if you had to.
5. When trimming blocks, make sure you keep the seam allowance along the outside of the block.
6. This has a lot of small pieces. I suggest go slowly and making sure you are right on the lines to get the best results.

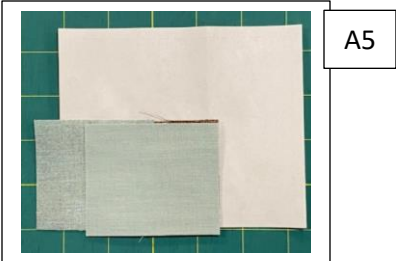
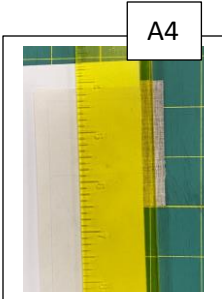
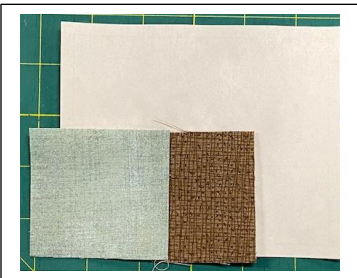
In case of error: Before ripping out the seam, place a piece of tape over the area that you will be ripping out on the printed side of the paper. This will keep the paper intact so that it won't start ripping until you are ready to remove the paper. I use Scotch tape. Thicker tape will make it hard to remove the paper later.



Note: A1 (good side up) is underneath.

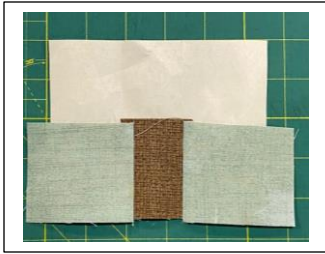


- Bottom of Pine Tree:**
1. To start, Measure $\frac{1}{4}$ " from Piece A1 towards the A2. Make a crease in the paper. This will give you the $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance to start off the first piece.
 2. Align Piece A1 right side up and Piece A2 wrong side up along the crease.
 3. Sew on line between A1 and A2.
 4. Line up card on line between A1 and A3. Fold over paper piece A3. Trim.
 5. Add Piece A3.

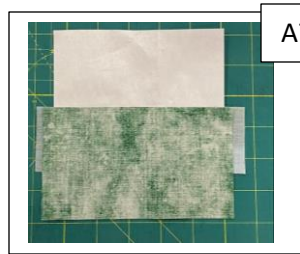


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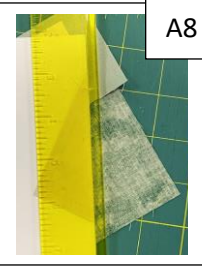
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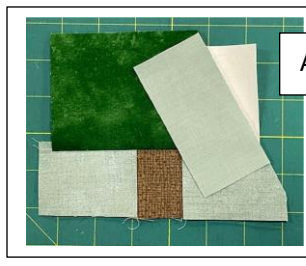
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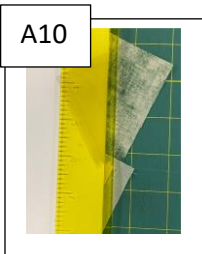
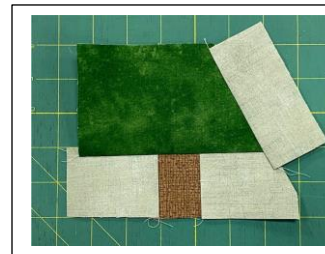
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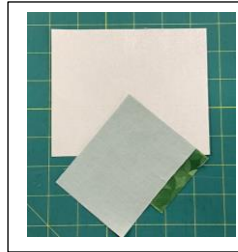
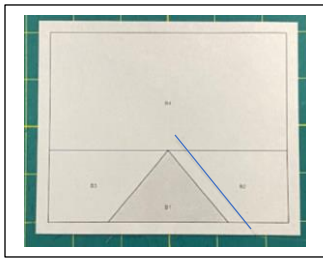
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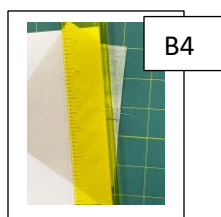
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6. Line up card on line between A3/1/2 and A4. Fold over paper piece A4. Trim.
7. Add Piece A4.
8. Line up card on line between A4 and A5. Fold over paper piece A5. Trim.
9. Add Piece A5.
10. Line up card on line between A4 and A6. Fold over paper piece A6. Trim.
11. Add Piece A6.
12. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.

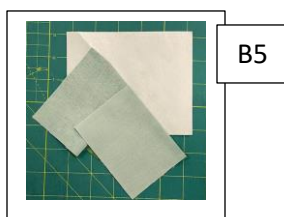
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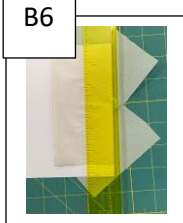
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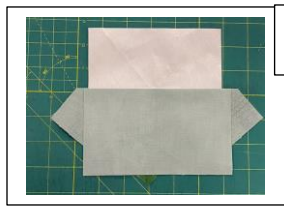
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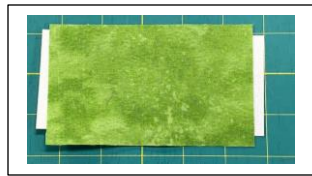
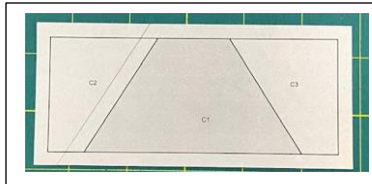


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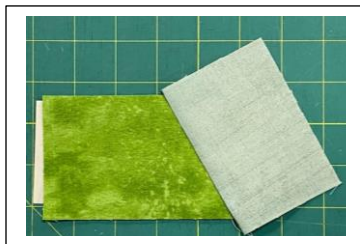
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Top of Pine Tree:

1. To start, Measure $\frac{1}{4}$ " from Piece B1 towards the B2. Make a crease in the paper. This will give you the $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance to start off the first piece.
2. Align Piece B1 right side up and Piece B2 wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line between B1 and B2.
4. Line up card on line between B1 and B3. Fold over paper piece B3. Trim.
5. Add Piece B3.
6. Line up card on line between B3/1/2 and B4. Fold over paper piece B4. Trim.
7. Add Piece B4.
8. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.



Note: C1 (good side up) is underneath.



C4



C5

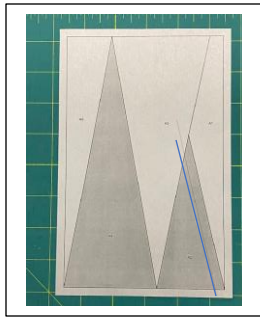


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Middle of Pine Tree:

1. To start, place Piece C1 over the paper piece C1. Trim ¼" from Piece C1 towards the C2.
2. Align Piece C1 right side up and Piece C2 wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line between C1 and C2.
4. Line up card on line between C1 and C3. Fold over paper piece C3. Trim.
5. Add Piece C3.
6. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.

Sew Sections A, B and C together to finish the Pine Tree. B is on top and C is in the middle with A on the bottom.



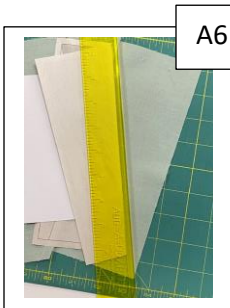
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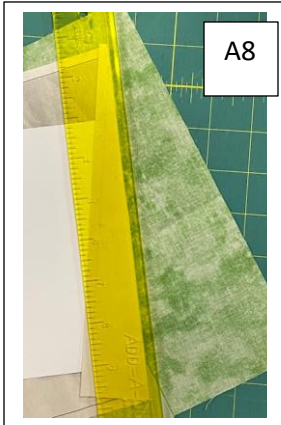
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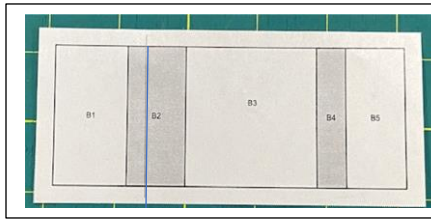
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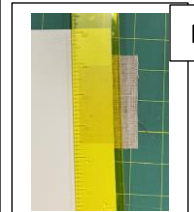
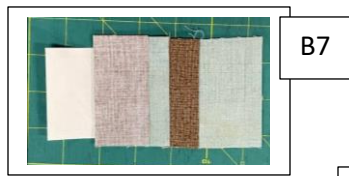
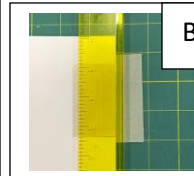
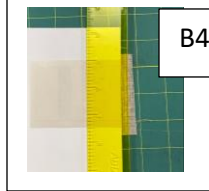
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Top of Two Trees:

1. To start, Measure ¼" from Piece A1 towards the A2. Make a crease in the paper. This will give you the ¼" seam allowance to start off the first piece.
2. Align Piece A1 right side up and Piece A2 wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line between A1 and A2.
4. Line up card on line between A1/2 and A3. Fold over paper piece A3. Trim.
5. Add Piece A3.
6. Line up card on line between A3 and A4. Fold over paper piece A4. Trim.
7. Add Piece A4.
8. Line up card on line between A4 and A5. Fold over paper piece A5. Trim.
9. Add Piece A5.
10. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.

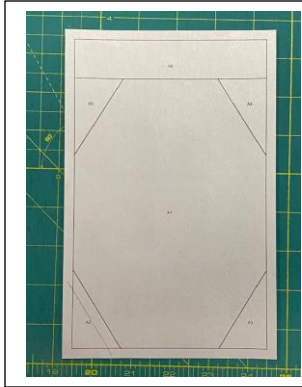


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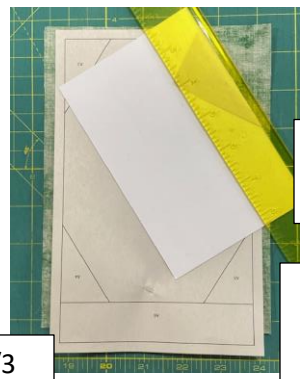


Bottom of Two Tree:

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2. Align Piece B1 right side up and Piece B2 wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line between B1 and B2.
4. Line up card on line between B2 and B3. Fold over paper piece B3. Trim.
5. Add Piece B3.
6. Line up card on line between B3 and B4. Fold over paper piece B4. Trim.
7. Add Piece B4.
8. Line up card on line between B4 and B5. Fold over paper piece B5. Trim.
9. Add Piece B5.
10. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.



A2/3

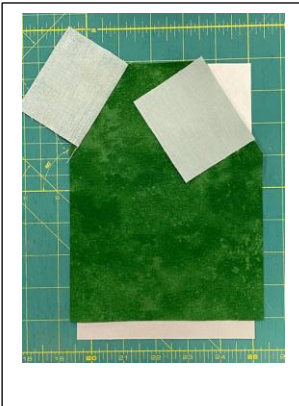
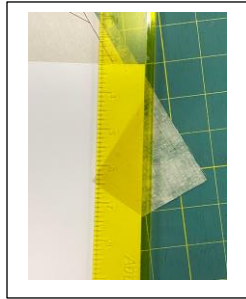


Good side of fabric down

Piece A1 is good side up



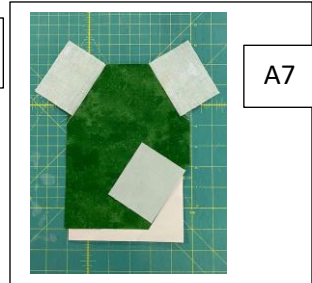
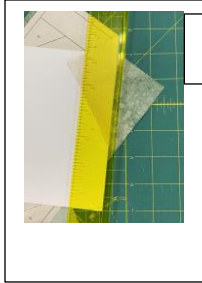
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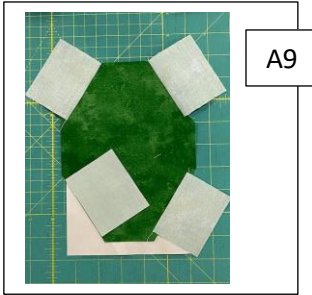
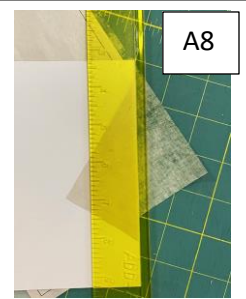
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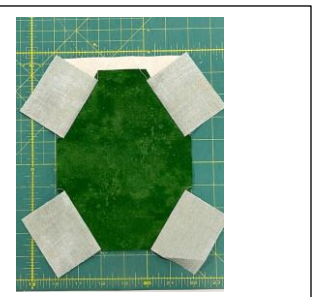
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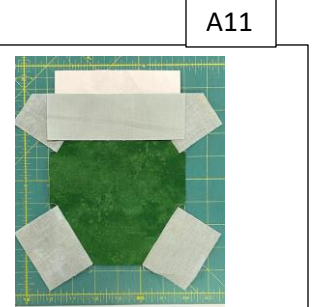
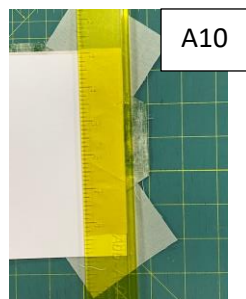
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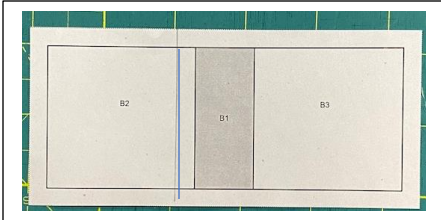
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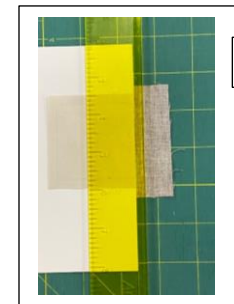
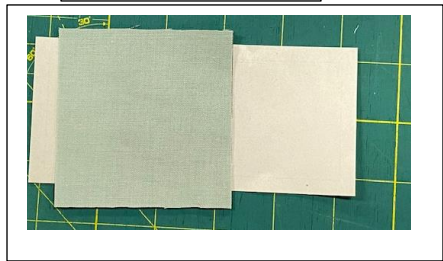
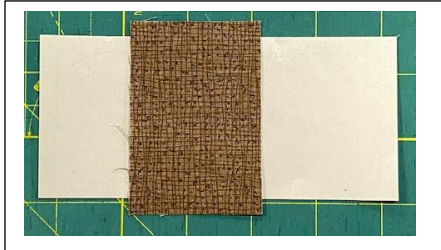
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Octagon Tree:

1. To start, place Piece A1 over the paper piece A1. Trim 1/4" from Piece A1 towards the A2.
2. Align Piece A1 right side up and Piece A2 wrong side up along the crease. You should have at least 1/4" around the entire Piece A1 and Piece A2 should be able to cover the space when flipped.
3. Sew on line between A1 and A2.
4. Line up card on line between A1 and A3. Fold over paper piece A3. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
5. Add Piece A3 to trimmed section from Step 4.
6. Line up card on line between A1 and A4. Fold over paper piece A4. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
7. Add Piece A4 to trimmed section from Step 6.
8. Line up card on line between A1 and A5. Fold over paper piece A5. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
9. Add Piece A5.
10. Line up card on line between A5/1/4 and A6. Fold over paper piece A6. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
11. Add Piece A6.
12. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.



Note: B1 (good side up) is underneath.



B4



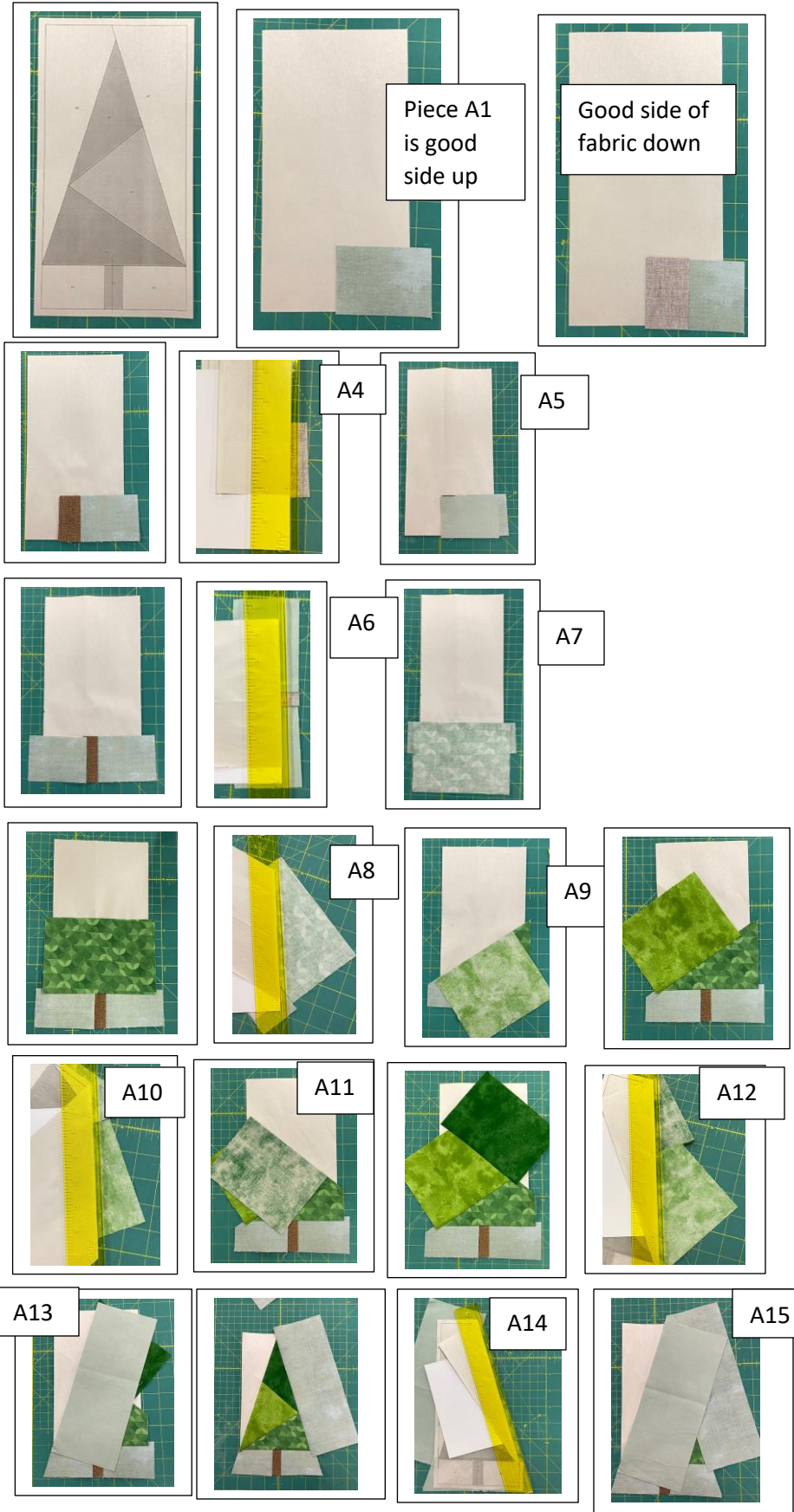
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Bottom of Octagon Tree:

1. To start, Measure ¼" from Piece B1 towards the B2. Make a crease in the paper. This will give you the ¼" seam allowance to start off the first piece.
2. Align Piece B1 right side up and Piece B2 wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line between B1 and B2.
4. Line up card on line between B1 and B3. Fold over paper piece B3. Trim.
5. Add Piece B3.
6. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.

Sew Sections A and B together to finish the Octagon Tree. B is on bottom and A on the top.



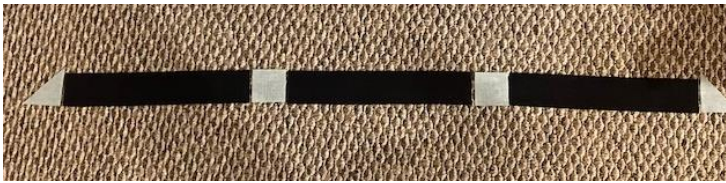
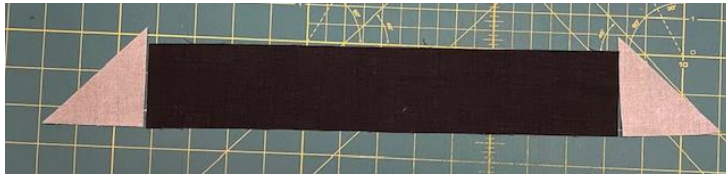
Piece A1 is good side up

Good side of fabric down

Tree of Life:

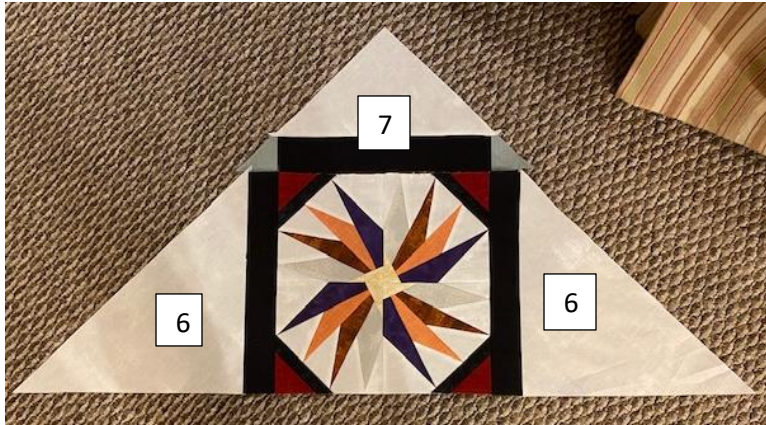
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3. Sew on line between A1 and A2.
4. Line up card on line between A2 and A3. Fold over paper piece A3. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
5. Add Piece A3 to trimmed section from Step 4.
6. Line up card on line between A1/2/3 and A4. Fold over paper piece 4. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
7. Add Piece A4 to trimmed section from Step 6.
8. Line up card on line between A4 and A5. Fold over paper piece 4. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
9. Add Piece A5.
10. Line up card on line between A5 and A6. Fold over paper piece A6. Place the Add-A-Quarter to trim.
11. Add Piece A6.
12. Line up card on line between A4/5/6 and A8. Fold over paper piece 7. Trim.
13. Add Piece A8.
14. Line up card on line between A5/6/8 and A7. Fold over paper piece A7. Trim.
15. Add Piece A7.
16. Trim around entire block. Don't cut off seam allowance.

NOTE: A8 is added before A7



Sashing:

1. Make 2 rows with the black rectangles and triangles from the 2 5/8" squares. Note angle for the end triangles.
2. Make 2 rows with 3 black rectangles and 2 corner post and 2 triangles.
3. Make 2 rows with 4 black rectangles and 4 corner post and 2 triangles.
4. You will be working on point. I started with the upper right corner and worked to the bottom left.



5. Sew the block from previous months to black rectangle on each side.

6. Add setting triangles from the 18 ¼" square to each side paying attention to the placement.

7. Sew a corner triangle to the sashing.

8. Sew the section created in step 7 to piece created in step 6.

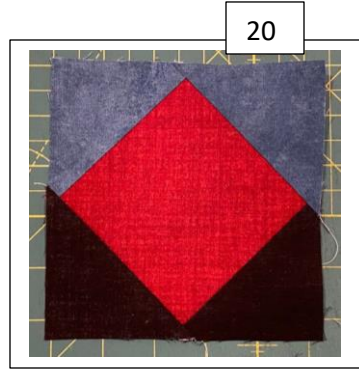
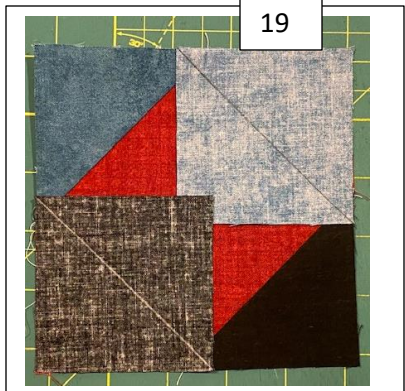
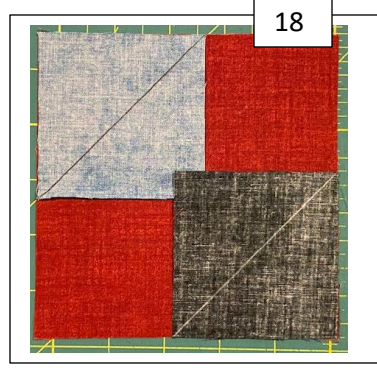
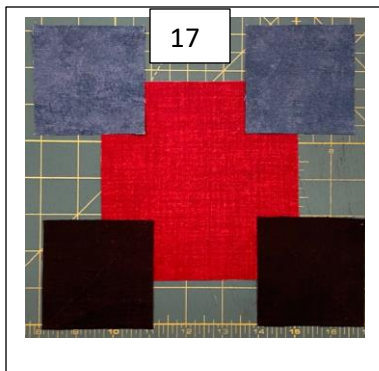
9. The next row will be a combination of 3 blocks with black rectangles in between and setting triangles on each side.

10. Add the row created in step 9 to the sashing shown (one with 3 black rectangles) and section created in step 8.

11. For the middle row, take 5 blocks and add black rectangles between each block and the setting triangles. This row will use the corner setting triangles. (Ones from the 9 3/8" squares)

12. Add the longest sashing to each side of the row created in step 11. Pay attention to angle of end triangles.

13. Repeat steps 5-9 to finish the other side of the middle row.



14. Add a 2" border to the pieced center. The first 2 sides should be approximately 58 ½" and the top and bottom will be approximately 60 ½". Make these the length of your actual quilt top.

15. Trim the quilt so that it measures 60 ½" x 60 ½". My actual size was 61 ½" square so I took ½" off each side. (61.5-60.5 = 1 and then divide by 2 to get .5) Make sure you divide by 2 to get even amounts on all sides.

16. The second border is Square in a Square blocks. Draw a line down the center of the wrong side of the green (mine looks like a darker blue) and black 3" squares.

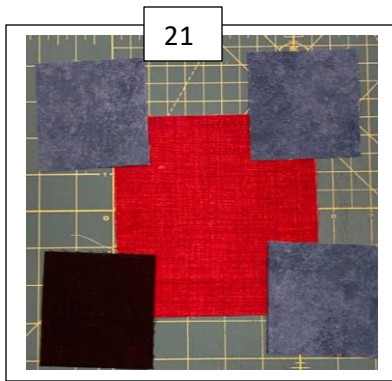
17. Place a green (dark blue) square in one corner and a black square in the opposite corner.

18. Sew on the line. Press.

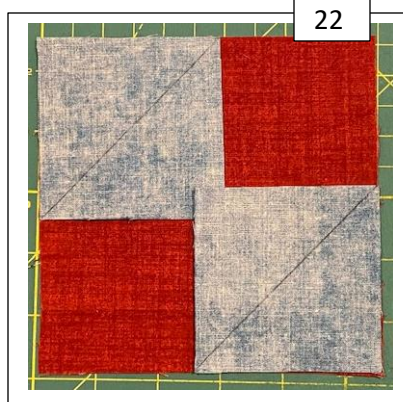
19. Place a green (dark blue) square in one corner and black square in the opposite corner.

20. Sew on the line. Press.

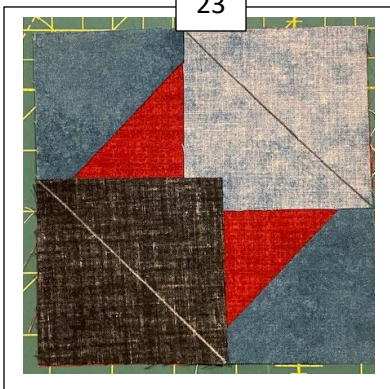
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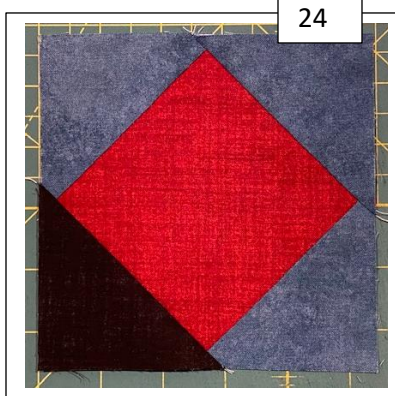
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21. Place a green (dark blue) square in one corner and a green (dark blue) square in the opposite corner.

22. Sew on the line. Press.

23. Place a green (dark blue) square in one corner and black square in the opposite corner.

24. Sew on the line. Press.

There will be 4 of these.

25. Make 2 sets of 12 of the Square in a Square with the 2 black corners.

26. Sew the sets created in step 25 to the top and bottom.

27. Make 2 sets of the 12 of the Square in a Square with the 2 black corners and add a Square in a Square with one black corner on each side making sure the black corner is towards the center of the quilt.

28. Sew the sets created in step 27 to the sides of the center paying attention to the corner square in a square to make sure the black corners are placed according to the pattern.



29. Sew the houses in the order shown. This can be changed as long as there are 6 houses and 2 trees on each side.

30. Sew the sides onto the center.

31. Add a $10\frac{1}{2}$ square to the end of each of the row of houses for the top and bottom.

32. Add the row created in step 31 to the top and bottom paying attention to the direction of the houses.

33. Add the 4th border to each side. ($3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $90\frac{1}{2}$ ")

34. Add the 4th border $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $96\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to the top and bottom of the quilt top.

35. Quilt as desired.

