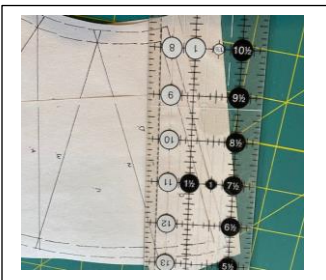


Urban Owl by Wending Williams
 Month 7 (New York Beauties Block)

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. For best results, I suggest go slowly and making sure you are right on the lines,

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: a (good side up) is underneath.



Block 1

1. To start, Measure $\frac{1}{4}$ " from Piece a towards the b. 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 a right side up and Piece b wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line 1. Press.

Note: I used an Add-A-Quarter but you can use a ruler to measure $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Pattern adjustments: See note at bottom of page 5. For black print I suggest making 2 pieces at $6'' \times 3 \frac{1}{2}''$ for the ends and 4 pieces as the pattern called for middle spikes. Also the points in the spiky section of Block 3 get cut off if you follow the pattern. Adjust line 8 to not cut off the point.

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Spiky Section



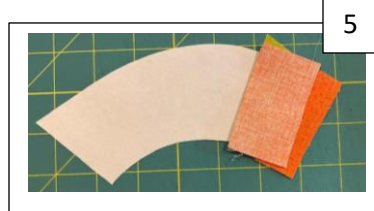
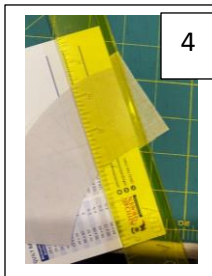
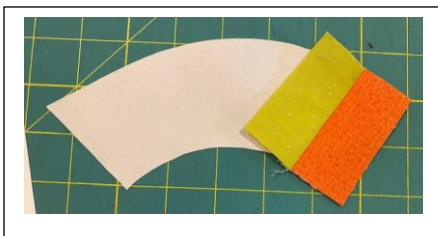
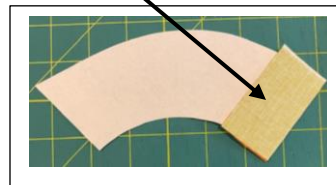
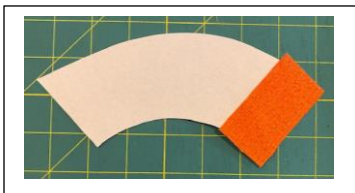
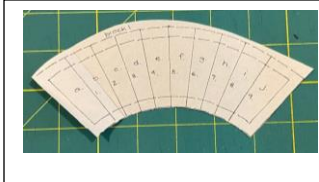
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4. Line up card on line between b and c. Fold over paper piece c. Trim.
5. Add Piece c. Sew on line 2. Press.
6. Line up card on line between c and d. Fold over paper piece d. Trim.
7. Add Piece d. Sew on line 3. Press.
8. Repeat steps alternating the colors.
9. Trim along the outer line. Make sure you don't cut off the seam allowance. Keep the paper until the block is finished.

Stripe Section

Stripe Section

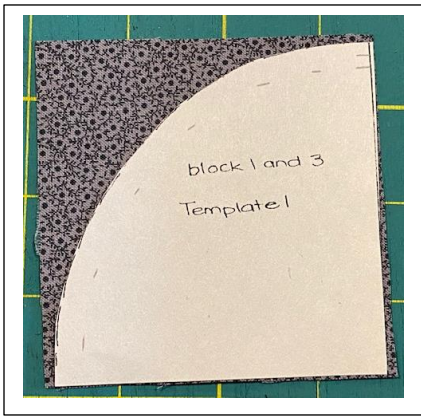
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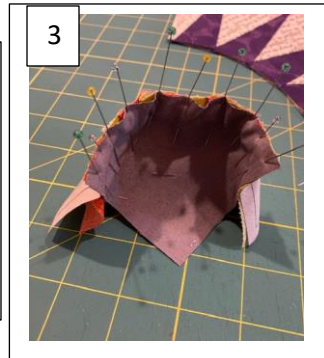
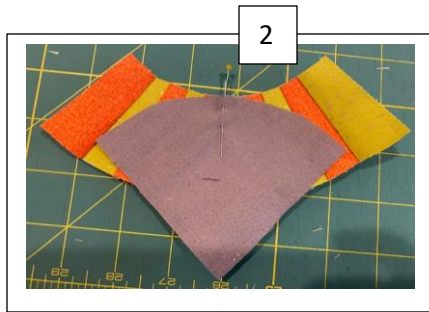
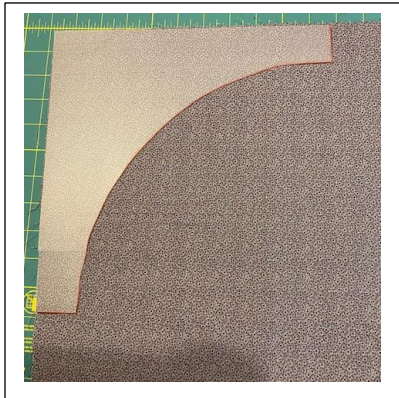
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2. Align Piece a right side up and Piece b wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line 1. Press.
4. Line up card on line between b and c. Fold over paper piece c. Trim.
5. Add Piece c. Sew on line 2. Press.
6. Line up card on line between c and d. Fold over paper piece d. Trim.
7. Add Piece d. Sew on line 3. Press.
8. Repeat steps alternating the colors.
9. Trim along the outer line. Make sure you don't cut off the seam allowance. Keep the paper until the block is finished.



When adding pieces, make sure it will cover the entire area when flipped. Some will be centered but not all of them. All references to "card" refer to thick paper that helps "catch" the Add-A-Quarter edge.



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1. Using the templates, cut out the outer circle and the centre circle.
2. Add the centre circle to the stripe section.
3. Pin the centers and outer edges of the centre circle and stripe section. Sew along the edge. I use my finger to get out any pucker as I go. **SEW SLOWLY AND REMOVE PINS!** I pin a lot but make sure you do not run over any of the pins. Have the paper on top.
4. Add the spiky section to the section completed in step 3 using the same method described in step 3.



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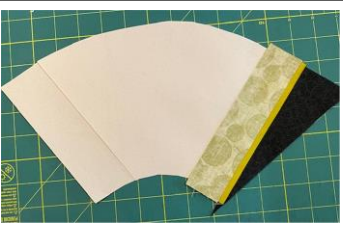
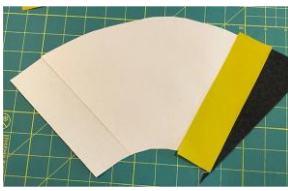
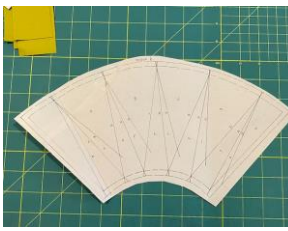


5. Add outer circle to piece created in step 4 using the same method described in step 3.

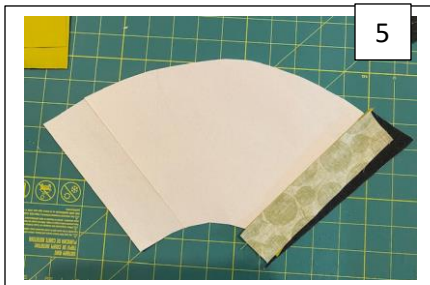
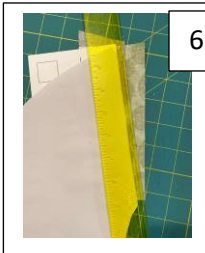
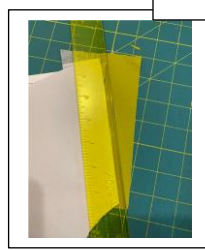
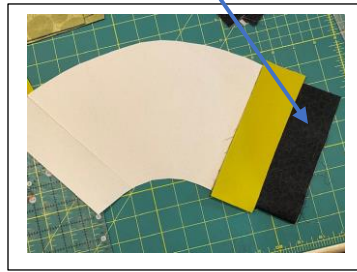
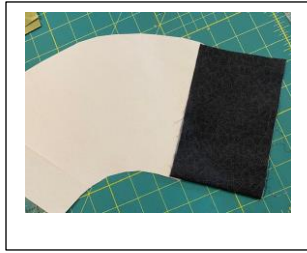
The paper piece is going to have lots of bias edges. BE CAREFUL TO NOT STRETCH!

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Spiky Section



Note: a (good side up) is underneath.



Numbers on pictures refer to step

Block 2

1. To start, Measure $\frac{1}{4}$ " from Piece a towards the b. 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 a right side up and Piece b wrong side up along the crease.
3. Sew on line 1. Press.
4. Line up card on line between b and c. Fold over paper piece c. Trim.
5. Add Piece c. Sew on line 2. Press.
6. Line up card on line between c and d. Fold over paper piece d. Trim.
7. Add Piece d. Sew on line 3. Press.
8. Repeat steps alternating the colors.
9. Trim along the outer line. Make sure you don't cut off the seam allowance. Keep the paper until the block is finished.

Note: For the spiky section black print, I cut 2 pieces at $6'' \times 3 \frac{1}{2}''$. Both ends needed to be a little longer than the pattern called for. The middle pieces are fine at $5 \frac{1}{2}'' \times 3 \frac{1}{2}''$.

When adding pieces, make sure it will cover the entire area when flipped. Some will be centered but not all of them. All references to "card" refer to thick paper that helps "catch" the Add-A-Quarter edge.

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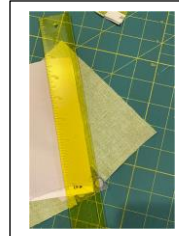
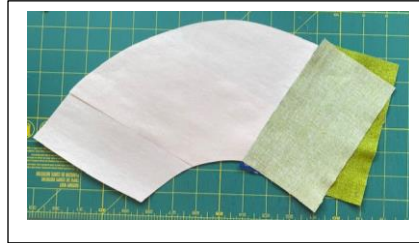
1. Using the templates, cut out the outer circle and the centre circle. Check fabric keys for fabrics.
2. Add the centre circle to the spiky section.
3. Pin the centers and outer edges of the centre circle and spiky section. Sew along the edge. I use my finger to get out any pucker as I go. **SEW SLOWLY AND REMOVE PINS!** I pin a lot but make sure you do not run over any of the pins. Have the paper on top.
4. Add outer circle to piece created in step 3 using the same method described in step 3.

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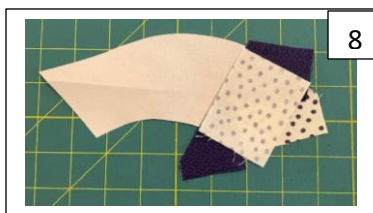
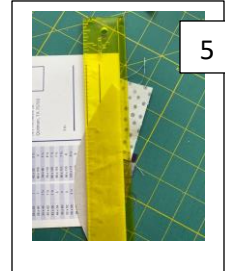
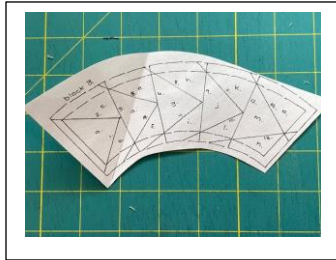
Spiky Section

Note: a (good side up) is underneath.



Flying Geese Section

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Block 3

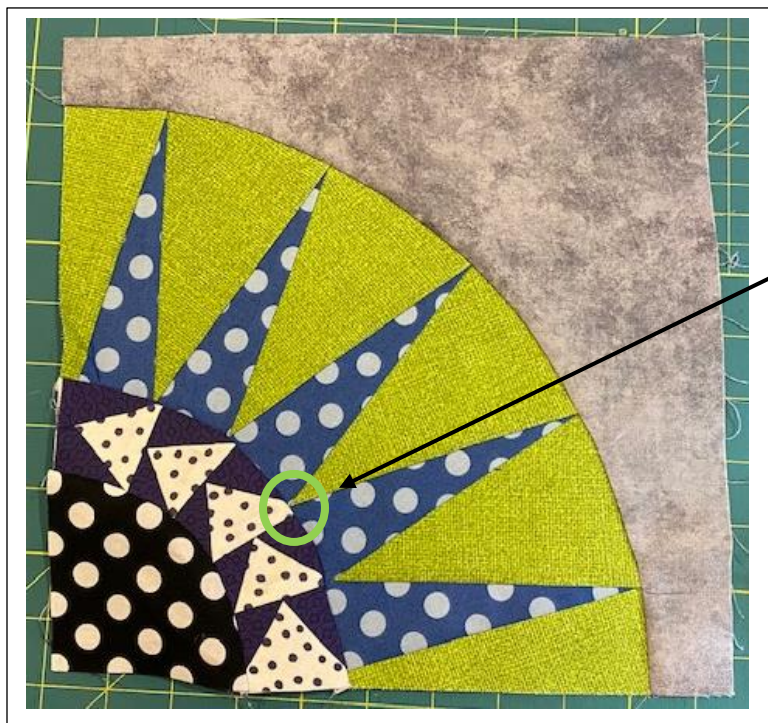
Spiky Section

1. Repeat steps on page 1 for the spiky section in Block 1.

Flying Geese Section

2. To start, Measure $\frac{1}{4}$ " from Piece a towards the b. Make a crease in the paper. This will give you the $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance to start off the first piece.
3. Align Piece a right side up and Piece b wrong side up along the crease.
4. Sew on line 1. Press.
5. Line up card on line between a and c. Fold over paper piece c. Trim.
6. Add Piece c. Sew on line 2. Press.
7. Line up card on line between c/a/b and d. Fold over paper piece d. Trim.
8. Add Piece d. Sew on line 3. Press.
9. Repeat steps using white print for piece d, g, j and m and purple print for e, f, h, i, k, l, o and n.
10. Trim along the outer line. Make sure you don't cut off the seam allowance. Keep the paper until the block is finished.

Note: The pattern for the flying geese has line 8 cutting off a corner. Adjust the line to make the flying geese not loose its point. Picture is done with pattern and no adjustment.



Note:
Place
where
flying
geese
point cut
off.

1. Using the templates, cut out the outer circle and the centre circle. Check fabric key for fabrics.
2. Add the centre circle to the flying geese section.
3. Pin the centers and outer edges of the centre circle and flying geese section. Sew along the edge. I use my finger to get out any pucker as I go. **SEW SLOWLY AND REMOVE PINS!** I pin a lot but make sure you do not run over any of the pins. Have the paper on top.
4. Add the spiky section to the section completed in step 3 using the same method described in step 3.
5. Add outer circle to piece created in step 4 using the same method described in step 3.

Set aside blocks for finishing.