

Peppermint Poinsettias

20" x 20" Finished Size

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

FAT QUARTER (18" x 21") OR ¼ YARD OF THE FOLLOWING:

Beige Fabric (Background)
Assorted Beige Prints (Background)
Red & White Stripe (Vase)
Red Flower Fabric (Corner Triangles)
Tan Print (Corner Triangles)

SCRAPS OR 1/8 YARD OF THE FOLLOWING:

Red Pin dot (2 Poinsettias)
Red Fabric (1 Poinsettia & 3 Berries)
Yellow Fabric (Poinsettia Centers)
Burgundy Fabric (3 Berries)
Medium Green (3 Leaves)
Dark Green (4 Leaves)
Brown Fabric (Stem)
Black Check (Corner Triangles)
Black w/Tan Pin dot (Corner Triangles)

OTHER SUPPLIES:

¼ yard Fusible Webbing
3" x 3" Freezer paper

CUTTING

Beige Fabric (Background)

A – Cut 19, 2 ½" x 2 ½"

B – Cut 2, 1 ½" x 1 ½"

C – Cut 2, 2 ½" x 2 ¼"

D – Cut 2, 3 ¼" x 5 ¼"

E – Cut 2, 2 ¾" x 2 ¾"

F – Cut 2, 1 ½" x 2 ½"

G – Cut 3, 5 ½" x 5 ½"

Assorted Beige Prints (Background)

H – Cut 18, 2 ½" x 2 ½"

I – Cut 2, 1 ½" x 2 ½"

J – Cut 2, 1 ½" x 1 ½"

Red & White Stripe (Vase)

K – Cut 1, 7 ½" x 7 ½"

Black Check (Corner Triangles)

P – Cut 2, 1 ¼" x 42" Red Flower Fabric (Corner Triangles)

Q – Cut 2, 2 ½" x 42"

Tan Print (Corner Triangles)

R – Cut 2, 7 1/8" x 7 1/8" squares; cut diagonally into (4) triangles

Black w/Tan Pin dot (Corner Triangles)

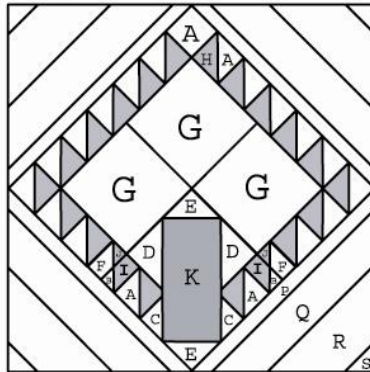
S – Cut 4, 2" x 2"

See APPLIQUE INSTRUCTIONS for cutting the following patterns:

Red Pin dot (2 Poinsettias)
Red Fabric (1 Poinsettia & 3 Berries)
Burgundy Fabric (3 Berries)
Medium Green (3 Leaves)
Dark Green (4 Leaves)
Brown Fabric (Stem)

See MACHINE STITCHING Instructions for cutting the following pattern:

Yellow Fabric (Poinsettia Centers)



SEWING VASE

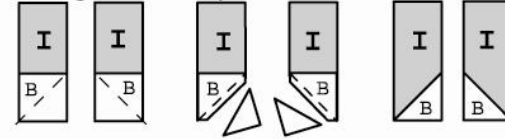
Step 1 – Use Non-Template Method to sew Beige Print (H) to Background (A); repeat to make 2 units.



NON-TEMPLATE SEWING METHOD:

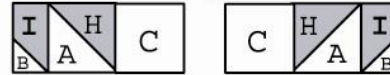
- Draw a pencil line diagonally across the wrong side of square.
- With right sides together, sew on marked line. Measure ¼" from stitching line; trim both fabrics on this line.
- Fold corner back over seam and press.

Step 2 – Use Non-Template Method to sew Background (B) to Beige Print (I); repeat to make 2 units.

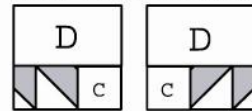


Step 3 – Sew B/I to H/A to Background (C); repeat to make 2 rows. Row will measure 2 ½" x 5 ¼".

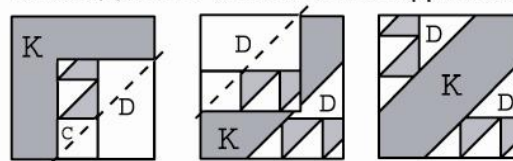
Tip: If the unit measurement is smaller, then take out seam allowance and restitch with a smaller seam allowance. If the unit measurement is larger, then restitch with a larger seam allowance.



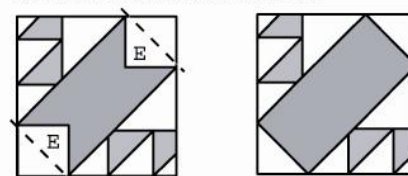
Step 4 – Sew Background (D) to row; repeat to make two units. Unit will measure 5 ¼" x 5 ¼".



Step 5 – Use Non-Template Method to sew 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" unit to Vase (K). Sew 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" unit on opposite side of Vase.

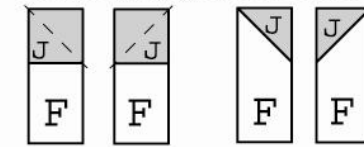


Step 6 – Use Non-Template Method to sew Background (E) to Vase. Sew Background (E) on opposite corners of Vase. Unit will measure 7 ½" x 7 ½".

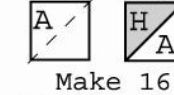


SEWING PIECED BACKGROUND

Step 1 – Use Non-Template Method to sew Beige Print (J) to Background (F); repeat to make 2 units.



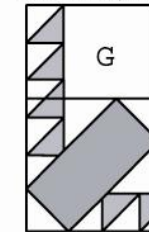
Step 2 – Use Non-Template Method to sew Beige Print (H) to Background (A); repeat to make 16 units.



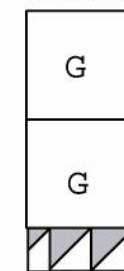
Step 3 – Sew two H/A units together. Sew J/F to H/A units. Repeat to make 2 rows. Row will measure 2 ½" x 5 ½".



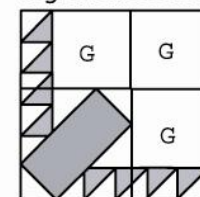
Step 4 – Sew Row to Background (G). With right sides together, pin Row to Vase at seam junctions to ensure angles line up accurately. Sew Row to the Vase. Unit will measure 12 ½" x 7 ½".



Step 5 – Sew Background (G) to G to Row. Unit will measure 12 ½" x 5 ½".



Step 6 – With right sides together, pin units together at seam junctions to ensure seams line up accurately. Sew units together. Block will measure 12 ½" x 12 ½".



SEWING PIECED BACKGROUND TO VASE

Step 1 – Top Row: Sew (6) H/A units together.

Row will measure 2 1/2" x 12 1/2".

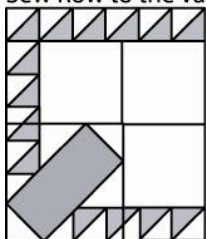


Side Row: Sew (6) H/A units together. Sew Background (A)

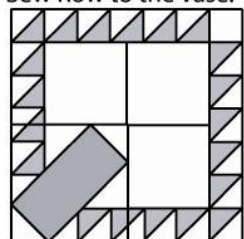
to row. Row will measure 2 1/2" x 14 1/2".



Step 2 – With right sides together, pin Top Row to Vase unit at seam junctions to ensure seams line up accurately. Sew Row to the Vase. Block will measure 12 1/2" x 14 1/2".

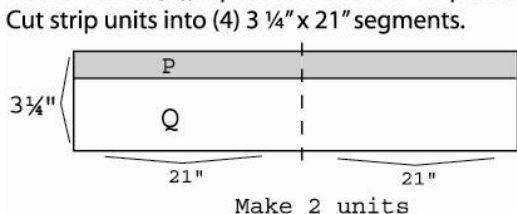


Step 3 – With right sides together, pin Side Row to Vase unit at seam junctions to ensure seams line up accurately. Sew Row to the Vase. Block will measure 14 1/2" x 14 1/2".

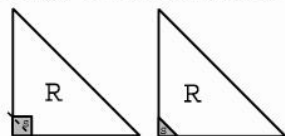


SEWING CORNER TRIANGLES

Step 1 – Sew 1 1/4" x 42" Black Check (P) to 2 1/2" x 42" Red Flower Fabric (Q); repeat to make two strip units. Cut strip units into (4) 3 1/4" x 21" segments.

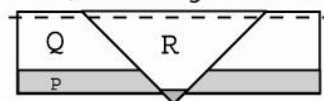


Step 2 – Use Non-Template Method to sew Black w/Tan Pin dot (S) to Tan Print (R); repeat to make 4 units.

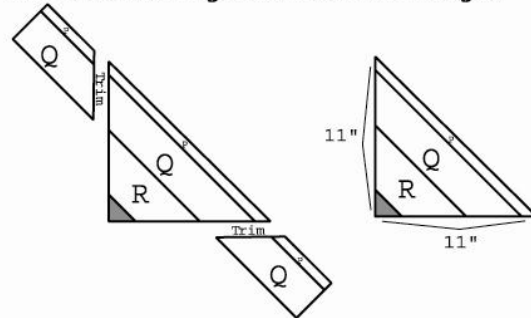


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Step 3 – Find midpoint of Q/P segments and midpoint of R. With right sides together, pin Q/P segments to R at midpoints. Sew Q/P and R together. Press seam allowance toward R.

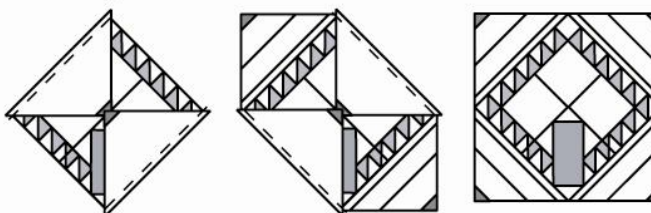


Step 4 – Each short side of Corner Triangle should measure 11". Trim excess Q/P segments even with Triangle.



SEWING ON CORNER TRIANGLES

Step 1 – Find midpoint of Corner Triangle and midpoint of Vase block. With right sides together, pin Corner Triangle to Vase block at midpoints. The points of the Triangle will extend equally at both ends of side. Sew Triangle and Vase together. Press seam allowance toward Triangle. Sew Corner Triangle on opposite side of block. Repeat for remaining sides. Block will measure 20 1/2" x 20 1/2".



APPLIQUE INSTRUCTIONS

Step 1 – Trace Poinsettias, Leaves, Berries, & Stem onto fusible webbing. Cut out the designs just beyond the marked line.

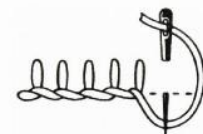
Step 2 – To keep your Poinsettias from getting stiff from the fusible webbing, trim 1/2" from the marked line of each Poinsettia. Remove the fusible webbing from the interior of the Poinsettia. Note: Save these fusible webbing pieces to reuse for smaller appliqué pieces.

Step 3 – Iron the fusible shapes to the wrong side of corresponding fabric. Cut fabric on marked line. Peel off backing paper.

MACHINE STITCHING

Step 1 – Position pieces on Block. Iron following manufacturer's directions. With matching thread, zigzag stitch the edge of pieces. The settings on my sewing machine are 1.50 stitch width and 1.00 stitch length. Settings will vary for each sewing machine so do a test piece to get the setting for your machine. Backstitch to "lock" your stitches when beginning and ending stitching. To turn a corner, stitch up to the corner, put your needle down on the outside edge (A) of the appliqué, turn the appliqué piece and continue stitching.

If you prefer, hand blanket-stitch with three strands of embroidery thread. Bring your needle up through the fabric, holding back a little loop with your left thumb. Put the needle back into the fabric, 1/4" to the right, and bring it out just inside the loop.



Step 2 – With matching thread, make a double row of straight stitches on the Poinsettia petals. Start at the center of flower (1), stitch out to edge of petal (2), then stitch back to the middle of the flower (3). Continue stitching out to edge of next petal (4), then stitch back to middle etc.

Step 3 – Place freezer paper, paper side up, over Poinsettia Center pattern. Trace (3) Poinsettia Centers. Cut out each pattern piece on the line. Iron pattern pieces to wrong side of Poinsettia Center fabric. Cut out (3) Poinsettia Centers.

Step 4 – Press under 1/8" to wrong side of fabric. Thread a needle with matching thread and make a knot on one end. Make a running (gathering) stitch along edge. Pull the thread to gather. Pull needle to backside & do several backstitches to hold gathering in place. Stitch Center in place on Poinsettias.



