



Seams Like a Dream
QUILT DESIGNS

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Paper Pieced Mini Star



Mini Quilt measures 12 1/2" x 12 1/2".

General Instructions:

Read through all directions before beginning. Sew using a ¼" seam; seam allowances are built into the cutting directions. All pieces are sewn with right sides together (RST) unless otherwise specified. Cutting directions are based on fabric 40" long- adjust quantity as needed to fit your fabrics. Follow the arrows for pressing suggestions.

Fabrics

You will need 6 different fabrics. I choose 2 backgrounds (green and purple), two different fabrics for the inner ring of the star (bright pink and orange) and two fabrics for the star points. You don't need a lot of any one fabric- I had 6" x WOF strips for the orange, light pink, peach and purple and a bit more for the green and bright pink. It was more than enough. The fabric that you use for the outer border and binding are the ones you need the most of.

Below is how I cut my pieces to paper piece the star block. You can adjust to suit your preferences.

Purple

I cut 2 squares about 4" x 4" and then cut them in half on the diagonal for 4 triangles for piece A5.
I cut 2 squares about 3" x 3" and then cut them in half on the diagonal for 4 triangles for piece A6.
I cut 4 squares 2" x 2" for piece A1.

Green

Same as the purple for pieces B5, B6 and B1.

2 strips 1 ½" x 11 ½" for side inner borders and 2 strips 1 ½" x 13" for top and bottom inner borders.

Orange

I cut 4 squares about 3" x 3" for piece A2.

Bright pink

Same as orange for piece B2.

2 strips 1 ½" X WOF for single fold binding.

Light pink

I cut 8 squares about 3" x 3" for pieces A3 and B3.

Peach

I cut 8 squares about 2" x 2" for pieces A4 and B4.

2 strips 1" x 10 ½" for side inner borders and 2 strips 1" x 11 ½" for top and bottom inner borders.

Backing

A square about 17" x 17" - this is about 2" bigger than your quilt on all sides. If you are having it quilted on a long arm, you will need a bigger back.

Paper Piece the block

Start by paper piecing 4 of each section. The section with A1-6 uses purple, orange light pink and peach and the section with B1-6 uses green, bright pink, light pink and peach. Trim the sections with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

Sew an A section to a B section. Make 4 units. I pressed the seams open.

Sew 2 units together to make one side and then make a second side. Sew the 2 sides of the block together. The star block should measure $10\frac{1}{2}$ " x $10\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Borders

Sew the 1 " x $10\frac{1}{2}$ " peach border to each side of the quilt. Sew the 1 " x $11\frac{1}{2}$ " peach borders to the top and bottom of the quilt. Repeat with the green borders. The mini quilt should measure 13 " x 13 ".

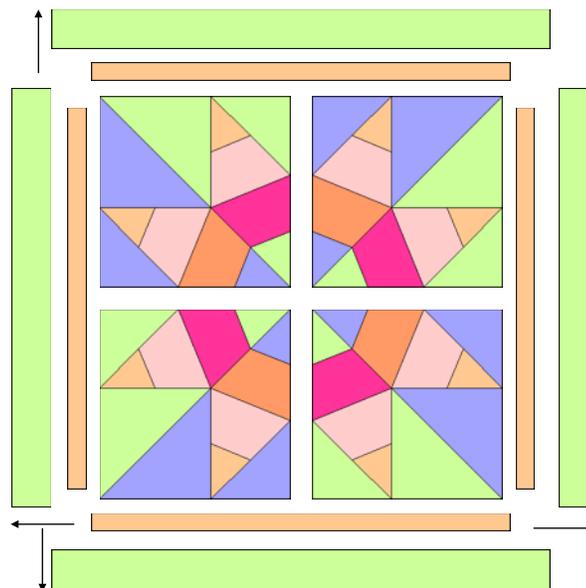
Finishing

Now that you have your quilt top, the next step is to prepare your backing, layer with your batting, baste and quilt as desired.

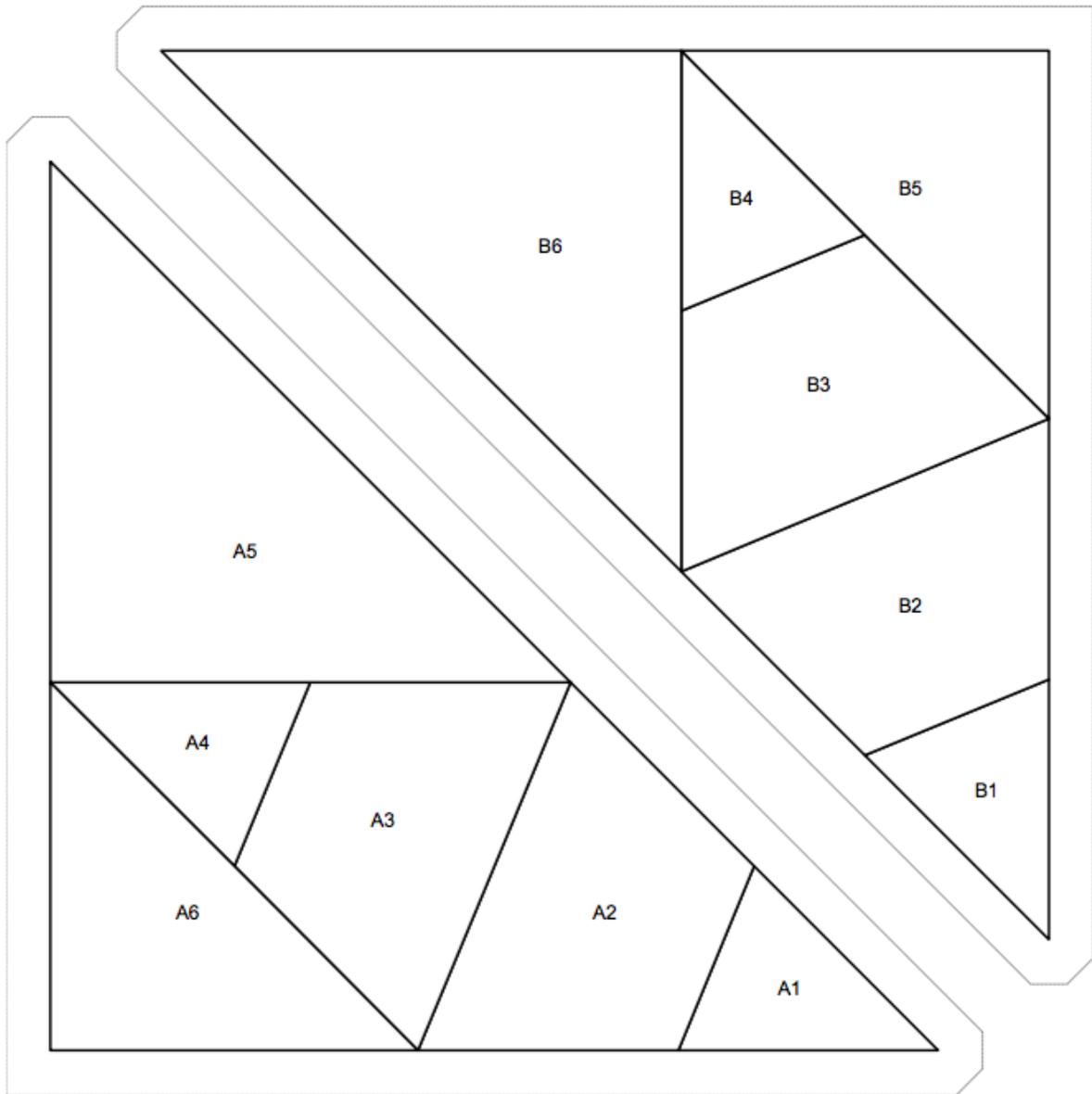
Once your quilt is quilted, it is time to add single fold binding. If you need binding instructions, visit my website for a free tutorial.

Happy quilting!

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Quilt Assembly Diagram



Section B- make 4

Section A- make 4

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1/4" seam line



Test- square should
measure 1" x 1"