

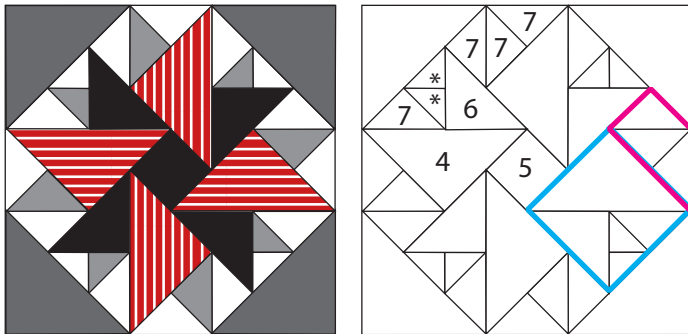
Double Aster (Our alternate for Peony, Block #81)

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As seen in *The Farmer's Wife 1930s Sampler Quilt* book by Laurie Aaron Hird

From MARTI MICHELL Perfect Patchwork Templates Conversion Chart

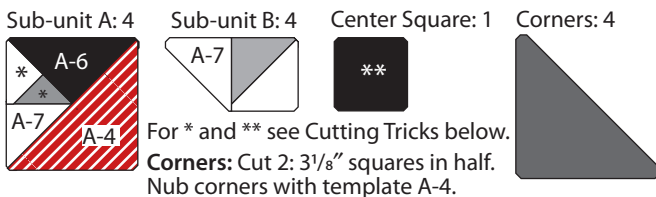
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*Double-cut 7 Unit A Unit B

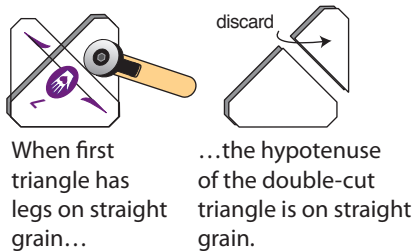
If you wish to use a stripe in the same triangle we did, follow the grainline arrow silkscreened on template A-4. Otherwise, cut as shown in "Grainline Geek Alert" on page 2.

These are the sub-units for each block:



Template Tricks for * and ** Pieces

*Cut 4 pairs of #7 triangles right sides together. Double cut as shown below. Do not separate; they are ready to sew together. (For more template tricks, see *More Bang for the Buck!* Product #8352).

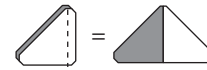


**The center square should be cut 1 1/16". Cut a short strip as wide as A-7 and true up one end. Align A-7 on the strip with one 45° corner even with the trued up end and the leg even with the bottom of the strip, as shown. Cut against the other leg to cut the square. Also see "Cutting a Square with a Right Triangle Template" in Chart #29, Ava.

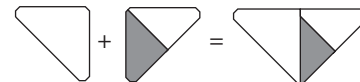


Make 4 Sub-units A

1. Join pairs, as shown. Press toward the dark triangle.



2. Add a background triangle #7 and press toward it.



3. Add a dark triangle #6. Press toward #6.

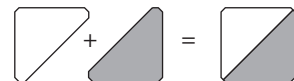


4. Sew triangle #4 in place. Press toward it.

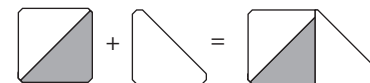


Make 4 Sub-units B

1. Sew a medium triangle #7 to a background triangle #7. Press toward the dark fabric.

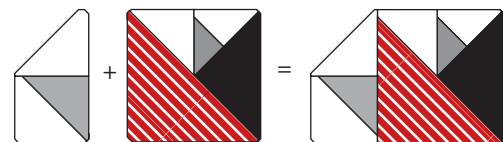


2. Sew a background triangle #7 to the half-square triangle units. Press toward new triangle.



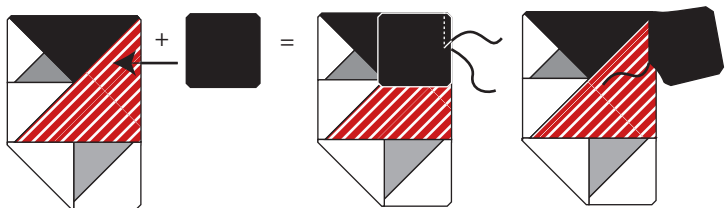
Join Sub-units A and B

Make 4.



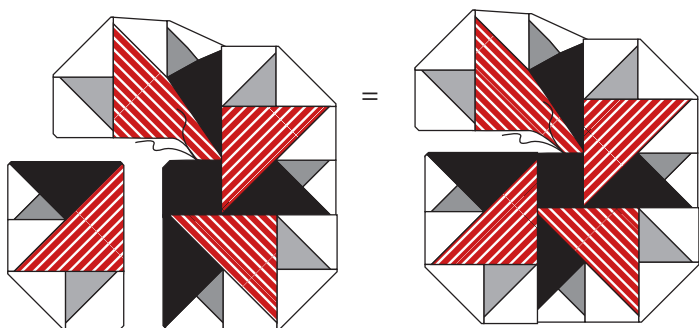
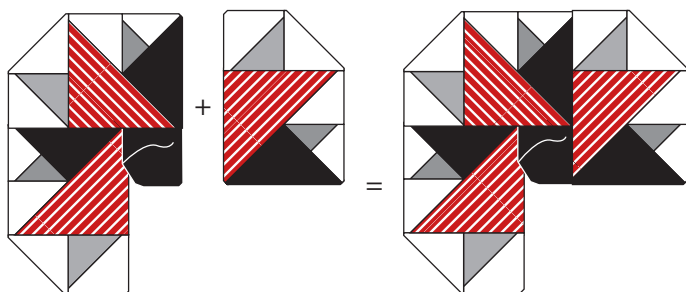
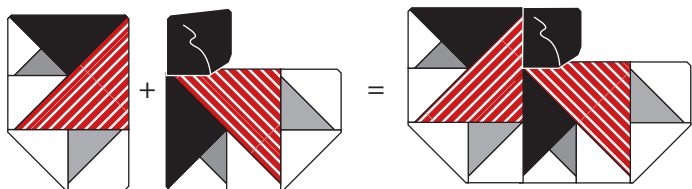
Making the Block

1. This block is constructed using the partial seam technique on the center square (also see chart 40, Hope). Partially sew the center square to the first unit. Press away from the center square.

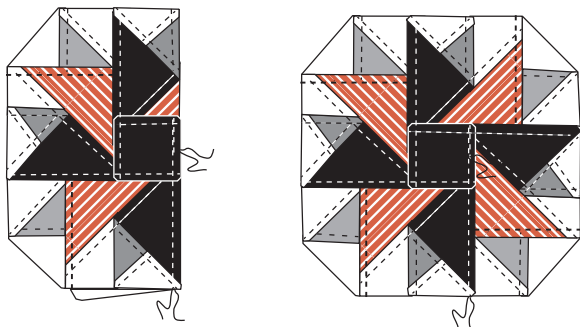


2. Rotate the section made in step 1, as shown. Add the next unit, beginning and ending the seam at the raw edges. Press toward the new unit.

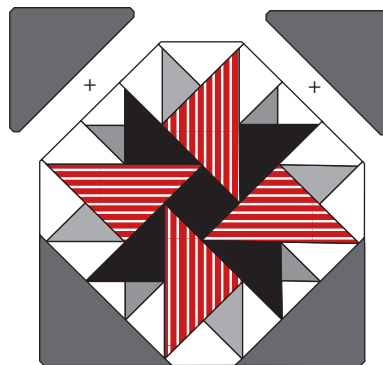
Add the third and fourth units the same way.



3. Fold back the block and complete the partial seam by continuing it to the outside. Press toward the unit just added.

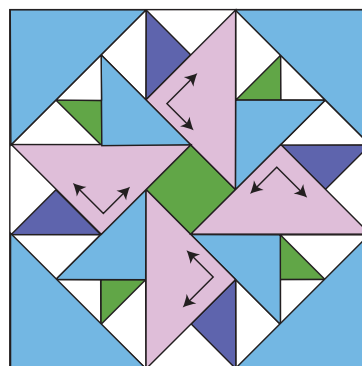
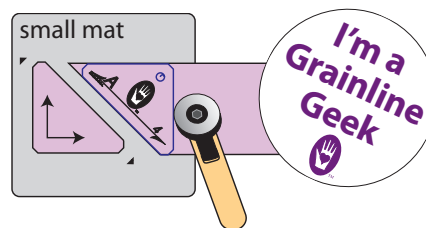


4. Add corner triangles to complete the block. Press toward the corners.



Grainline Geek Alert

Typically for this block at this size, we would override the silkscreened grainline printed on the A-4 triangle and cut with the legs on straight grain. Then the outside edges of the pieced unit would all be on straight grain. But we wanted to use the stripe as shown in our block, so we followed the grainline arrow. If you are not using a stripe in the same position, cut these triangles as shown below.



Follow our lead for the same triangles in the Farmer's Wife Peony block, if you choose to make it.

This recommendation may vary for other block sizes made with other templates. Learn more about the importance of grainline in our book, *More Bang for the Buck!*