

Stella Our substitute for Block 60, Mary Gray

Mary Gray can be seen in *The Farmer's Wife 1930s Sampler Quilt* book by Laurie Aaron Hird

FMM 84



For personal use in conjunction with the Sew Along and these From MARTI MICHELL Tools:

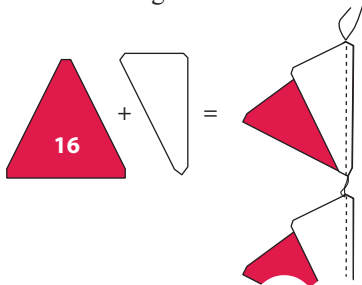
Perfect Patchwork Template Set A #8251 and Template Set C, Product #8253 or Set D, Product #8254

FMM template	C-16 (OR D-22)	C-17 (OR D-23)	A-2
Number of pieces to cut using 3 fabrics	4 (red)	4 (white)	4 (gray)

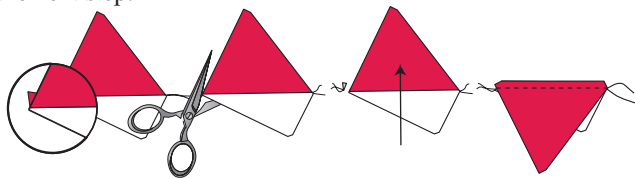
Observe grainline arrows on templates when cutting.

You won't find a size-specific triangle like this in From MARTI MICHELL template sets – but when you need one, you can create it in many sizes using the Peaky and Spike triangles and some clever cutting.

1. Templates in Set C are illustrated. Working in sets of 4, chain piece 4 #16 and 4 #17 triangles.

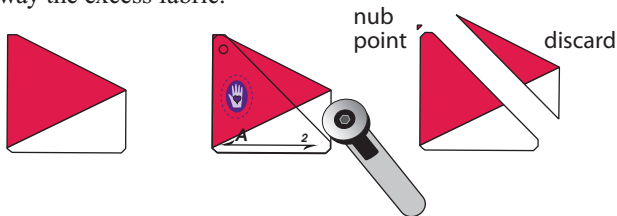


2. Press toward triangle 16. There will be a tiny “dog ear.” It is easy to clip it off as you clip the sub-units apart. Any threads at the top of each piece will be trimmed away in the next step.



Tip: When pressing, put the piece on top that you want the seam allowances to touch. As you lift and press the top piece open, the seam allowances are automatically in the correct place.

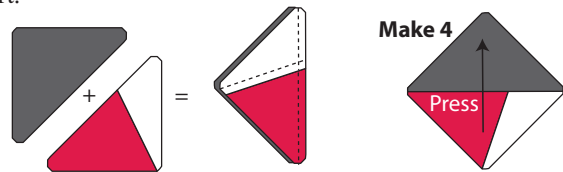
3. Place template A-2 on the sewn units as shown and trim away the excess fabric.



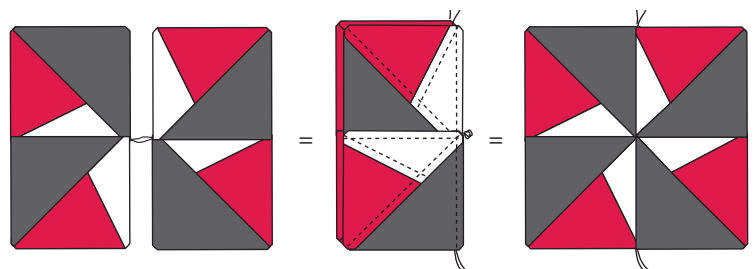
NOTE: If you are using Set D, shown here on the left, there will be more scrap. It's just one block, so that's okay.



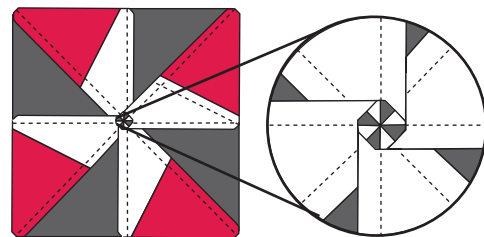
4. With triangle A-2 on the bottom, chain piece triangle A-2 to the trimmed units as shown. (The pieced unit should be exactly the same size as the new triangle; center the pieced triangle if there is a discrepancy.) Press toward triangle A-2 and clip the units apart.



5. Position the 4 units as shown. Join to make 2 half-blocks. Rotate and join the halves to complete the block.



6. At the center of the last seam, swirl press, pushing each half clockwise. It will break the stitches in the seam allowance and create a perfect little shape that resembles a Pinwheel block.



For other block sizes—Use this method with size-specific pieces in Template Sets A/C, B/D and T/R, or combine any size from 1" to 6" every half-inch on the From MARTI MICHELL Multi-Size Half-square Triangle Ruler #8290 and Peaky and Spike Set #8289. Finished size is a square twice the size of the half square triangle leg.

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