



Paperless Piecing Block

Class Hand Book



Useful Tools and Materials



PLEASE NOTE: all templates/patterns are given without seam allowance. When cutting your fabrics add 1/4" around each piece!

- Your amazing fabric scraps! It's a low volume block. The piece of fabric for the body should be not less than 6"by6". For the background you will need 9"by9" size.
- Printed templates and transfer paper (calque), (optional);
- Embossing tool 1,2 mm & 1,8 mm and thin brush for muzzle drawing (optional);
- Sewing needles, threads and pins;
- Cutting scissors and pinking shears;
- Textile paint black (dark brown), white and red for details drawing (optional). Also you can just use buttons or make some funny stitches instead;
- Pinking shears - to prevent fraying edges of tiny pieces;
- Ruler and rotary cutter (optional).

Techniques

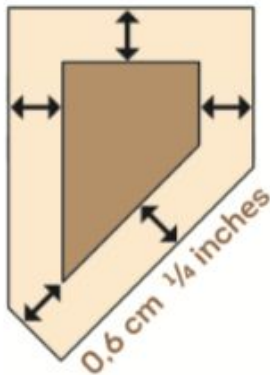
A block from start to finish

Block presented in this tutorial is created with basic patchwork skills. Block could be easily adapted for classical paper piecing technique. I made blocks with a combination of hand stitching and machine stitching. I recommend machine sewing when the pieces are approximately 1 ¼" (3 cm) or larger and hand stitching with tiny pieces.

To make a block, transfer the pattern, cut out all the pattern pieces and then sew the pieces together following the steps shown in the diagram. The number indicates the correct and easy order in which to sew the pieces. If you want to adapt the block pattern for paper piecing use the number of each step as an order number of sewing on paper.

Always sew with a ¼" (0.6 cm) seam allowance, keeping in mind that the templates DO NOT include the seam allowance. Sew the pieces together from edge to edge, unless otherwise noted, and backstitch at both the beginning and end of each seam (if hand stitching, make knots).

Tip: Using a sewing machine for sewing pieces together try a zipper foot for easy seam allowance. For BERNINA machine it's foot#4.

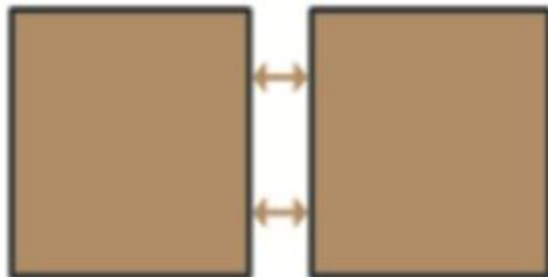


The templates DO NOT include the seam allowance. When cutting your fabric, add a ¼" (0.6 cm) seam allowance around each piece.

Please note! Seam allowance will not be pictured in the construction steps.

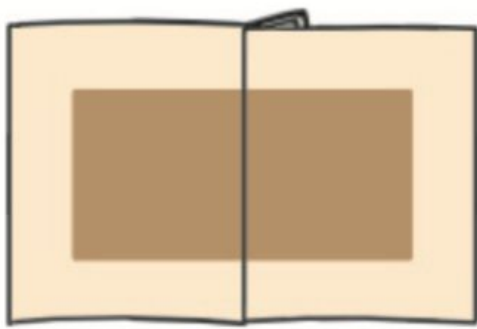
Sewing from Edge to Edge.

Sew from edge to edge and press the seam allowance.

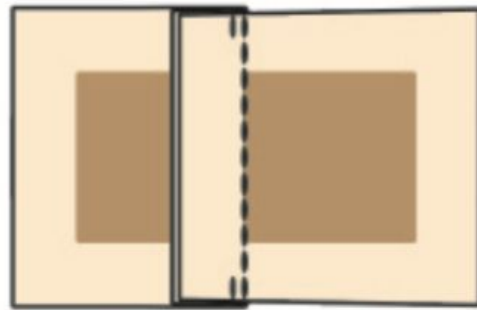


Example 1

Pieces before sewing as shown in the construction steps



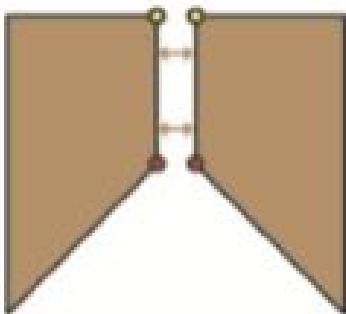
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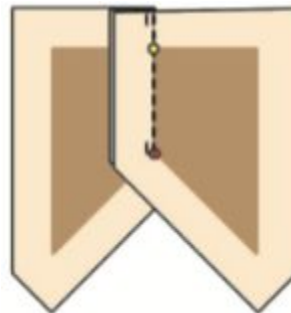
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After sewing from edge to edge

Example 2

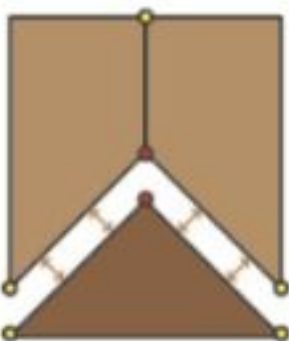


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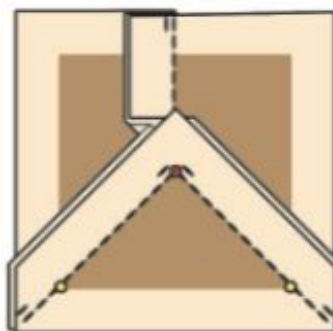


After sewing (wrong side shown)

Example 3



Pieces before sewing as shown in the construction steps



After sewing (wrong side shown)