

## **Club Notes:**



#### Greetings!

This morning I made arrangements to have my Statler machines serviced by Larry Culbertson of Gammill Midwest, and was very lucky to be put on their service schedule for October 8th. Cindy Culbertson said that after having been out doing service calls on Statlers, her husband reported that longarm quilters are the most stressed people he's seen! He will continue to witness this stress as the Christmas quilting season quickly approaches.

The next couple of weeks will see my own quilting business move from intaking 2 or 4 quilts per week to 4 quilts per day. I'll come home from work and find purple quilt bags on my front porch. I do my quilts first in first out, so my quilters know they need to get in line! I'm looking forward to my machines being brought back up into prime condition...before I run the heck out of them through December 23rd!

This is the time to get the machines cleaned and timed. It's time to make sure your spare parts inventory is up to snuff. Motor belts, check springs, intermittent tensioner springs, backlash springs, bobbin cases, O rings for bobbin winders, and maybe even a spare hook assembly. Having these parts on hand can make the difference between your machine being down and out of commission for a few days or only for a few minutes.

This is also the time to open up the cases on your computers and controllers and suck out all the fuzz. Nothing will shut down your system faster than having the inside of your computer look like the guts of a Build-A-Bear stuffed animal! If you don't have your digital patterns backed up onto another media form (burned to a CD or on a usb stick) do it now before you get too busy. That old Boy Scout Motto "Be Prepared" is an goodie for a reason.

Try to take some time for yourself, too. I, personally, am wrestling with a queen sized double wedding ring...and I have a retreat coming up at the end of October, so I'm hoping to either have figured it out by then, or finished it so I can work on a different UFO project.

This past weekend, we hosted my husband's family reunion. There were burgers, hot dogs, chips, cookies, ice cream, s'mores, dune buggies, go karts, football, frisbee, horseshoes....and one trip to the emergency room! My youngest niece, Zoey, fell off the back of a toy John Deer Gator (which wasn't even moving). She fell off the back (maybe an 8" drop). She landed kinda funny and broke her Humerus bone (upper arm bone). I think there needs to be a pink unicorn quilt in my near future. If any of you have made a unicorn quilt, I would love to hear your recommendations!

Kim and I are both going to be grandmas again in March 2020 (well...she'll be YaYa to Chloe's first child and I'll be MeMa to Caitlin's second child). We're both pretty excited about it. My 3 year-old grandson recently told me that there was a baby swing on HIS swingset and that he was too big for it. He told me that "they were going to get a baby for the swing at the store....or maybe they'd get one that God made, 'cause it would

probably be better than one from the store." Caitlin gave me a dirty look, and I said, "Hey, HE told ME. I didn't tell HIM!" She thinks that just because she hasn't told him about the baby coming that he doesn't KNOW. Silly, Caitlin! Little people hear what's around them even if they don't appear to be paying attention.

Enjoy the patterns!

Kim and Janet



The Coral September 2019 Archive contains 122 patterns, including 60 panos, a retail value of \$1520.00.

## Introducing Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio's First Block of the Month Quilt

As long as you remain members of the Crown Jewels Club, you will automatically receive the piecing instructions to make the quilt as well as the stitching patterns to quilt the quilt. It runs July 2019 through June 2020.

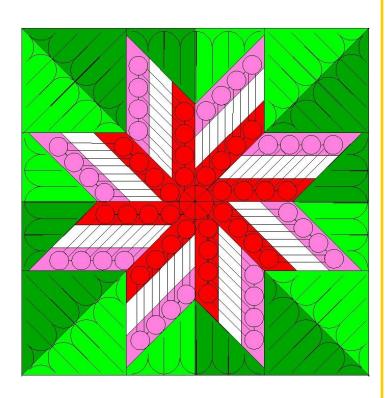
The General Instructions and Tips Sheet will provide the fabric requirements for this quilt. Although I went fabric shopping at Satin Stitches in Columbia, MO for the fabrics in this quilt, I probably could have made it out of my sash, but why pass up an opportunity to go fabric shopping?! I very much enjoyed making this quilt, and am exited to see what quilting patterns Kim designs for each month!

Month #4 is included in this month's patterns.

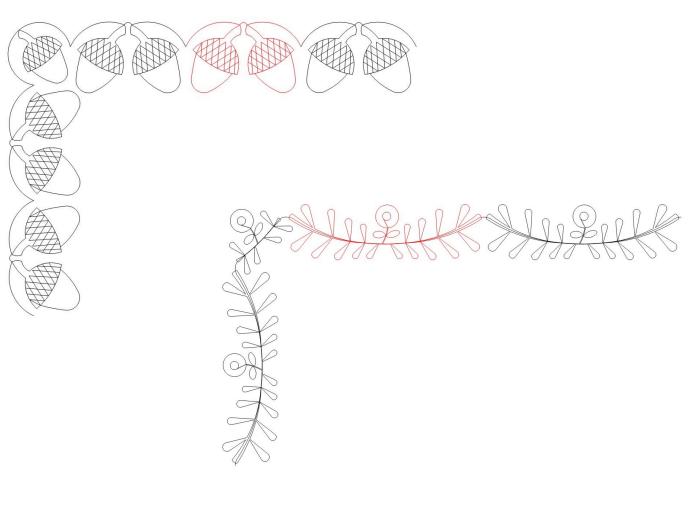
This BOM began in July 2019. The piecing instructions and stitching patterns for previous months are available online for \$25.00 per month.

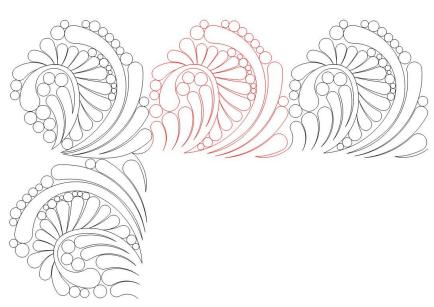
We'd love to see photos of your blocks as you get them done! Send them to me (janet@sweetdreamsquiltstudio.com) and put TMC PHOTOS in the subject line.



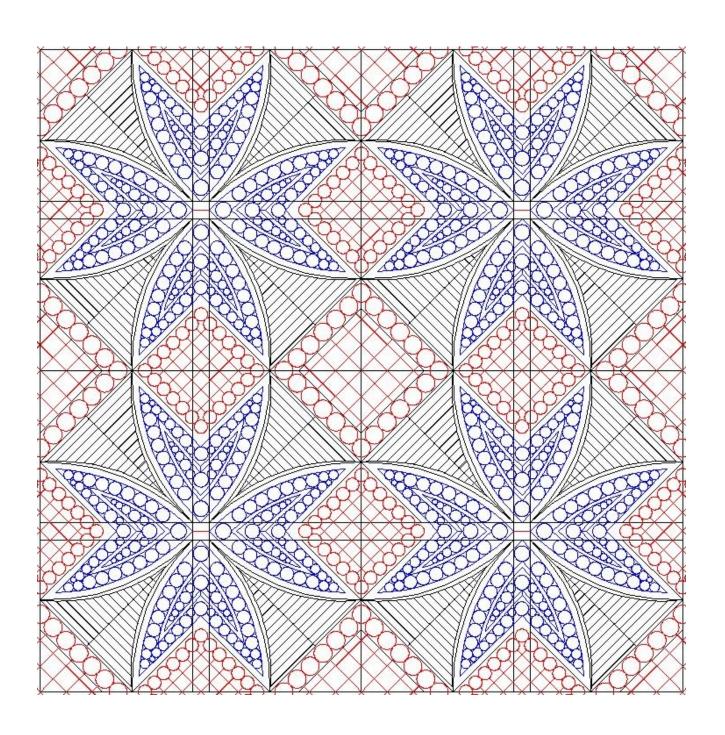


## **New Border and Corner Patterns**





# Posh Penelope Patterns (Sew Kind of Wonderful)



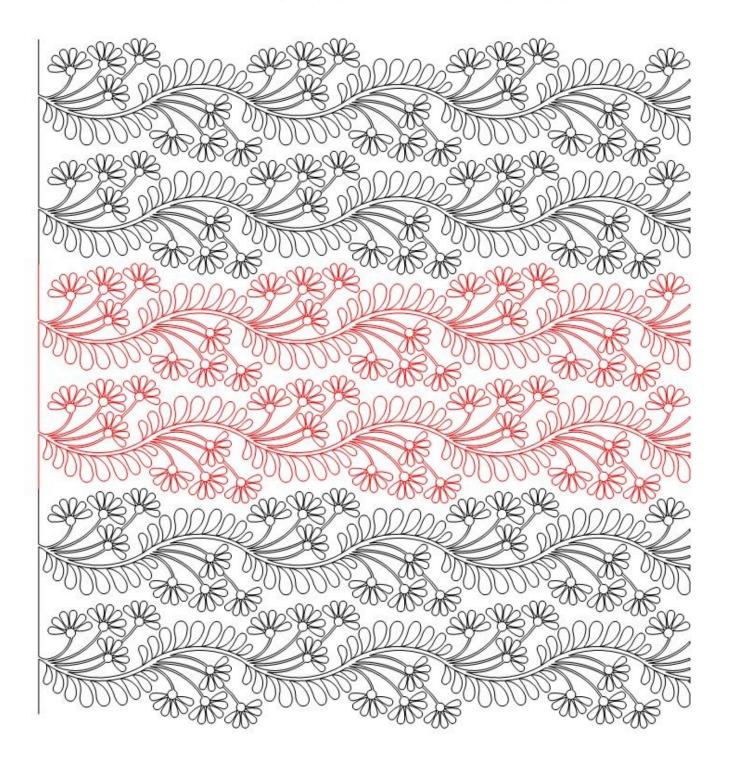
## **Tablerunner Medium Fall 001**



## **Tablerunner Medium Fall 002**

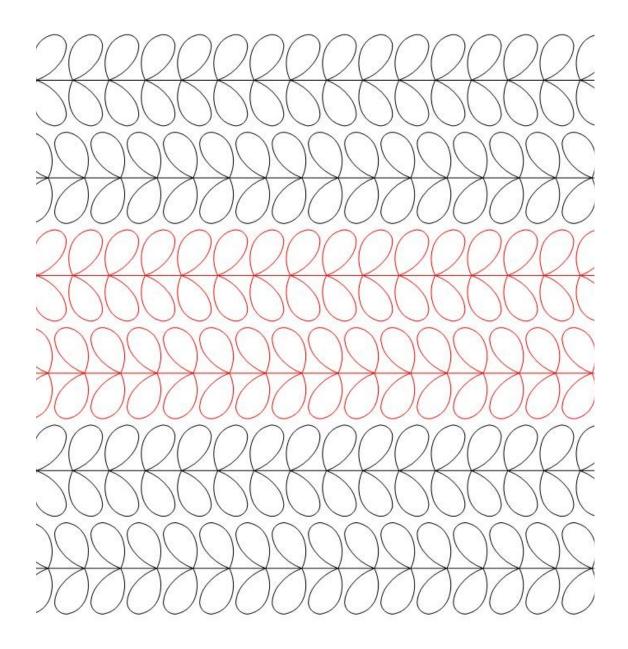


## **Extended Width Panos**



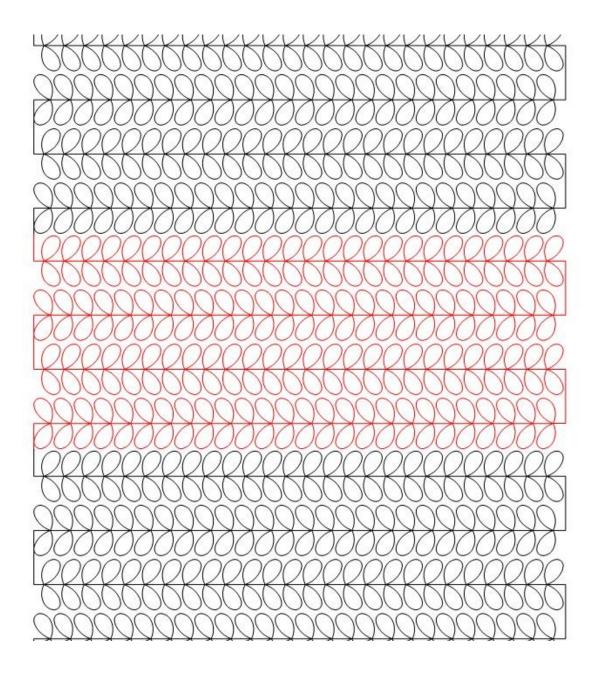
Feather Flower Fine 001

## **Extended Width Panos**



Leaf Branch Pano 004 sa (short arm version)

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Leaf Branch Pano 004

# Quilted by Debbie and Mike Corbitt using the Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio Posh Santa Pattern Set Great Job!





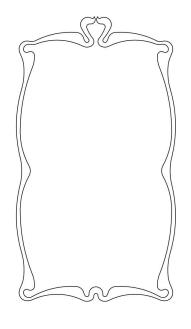
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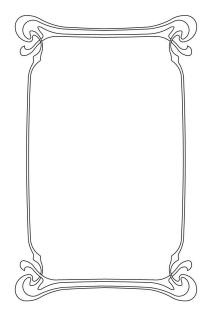
- Import photos of your guilt and/or guilt blocks.
- Import photos of quilt block pattern pictures.
- Preview quilting patterns superimposed over the quilt photos.
- Enlarge, reduce, copy, rotate, increase or decrease line widths, and adjust thread colors.
- Print pictures of the quilt/block with the patterns, and a list of the quilting pattern pictures used.
- Create a .zip file with all of the pictures for ease in emailing to quilt customers.
- Freehand feature, for those times when you want to doodle on your own!
- And now you can fade out the quilt image behind your pattern layout to better view the patterns.

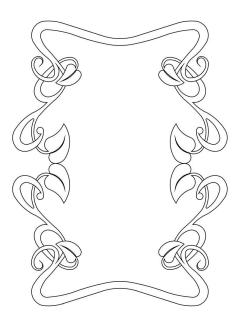
The software includes over 9000 quilting pattern pictures and free monthly updates for quilting pattern pictures. The software is available for purchase online with immediate download, and also comes with a backup version on the DVD, along with the library of pattern pictures, delivered via USPS Priority Mail. DVD is shipped within 1 business day of order date. **Don't forget to download your free pattern pictures updates!!** 

Now available at no cost to you. Log into your profile on the Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio website and download the software. If you want the DVD (which contains the software AND the 1st 9000 Sweet Dreams Quilt Studio images) there is a small shipping fee.

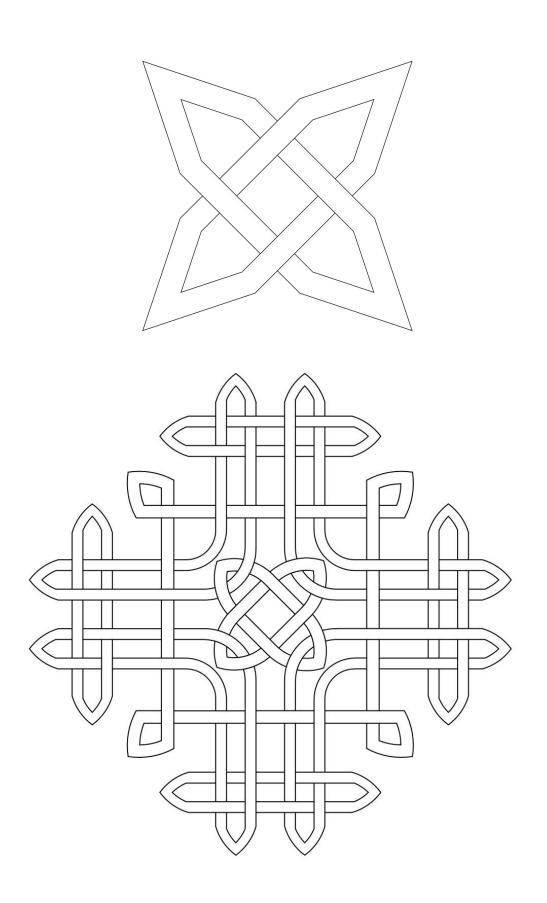
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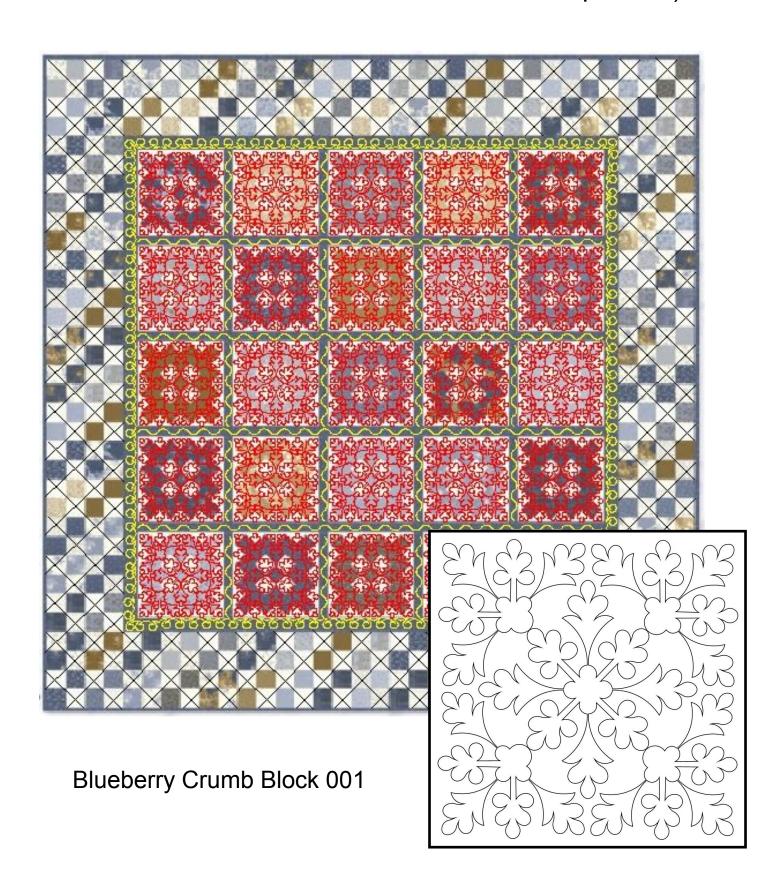


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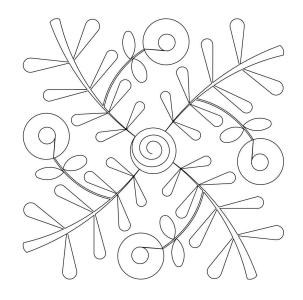
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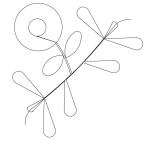
(uses p2p lines in border, wiggle3 in sashes, and Beatrice Border 003, as well as the new block pattern.)



## **Circle Flower Patterns**







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## Favorite Longarm Supplies Vendors:

We've had many questions from new longarm quilters about the best places to buy their supplies. So, we thought we'd provide a list of our favorite vendors. This is not an exclusive list....you may already have other vendors who take care of your longarm supply needs...and we're not trying to convert anybody.

**Superior Thread:** I buy King Tut Thread in the 2000 yard cones, although they have poly thread as well. They sell wholesale (you'll need your sales tax certificate to set up a wholesale account). They also sell retail (at a higher price). They have an amazing selection of thread. They have fabulous customer service and an easy online account set up process. They also ship internationally! <a href="http://www.superiorthreads.com">http://www.superiorthreads.com</a>

**Checker Distributing:** Wholesale Only.....I have rarely looked in vain for anything quilt related on their site. Shopping for supplies can be addicting! Shipping is charged on large items, but not on items such as pins, needles, thread, books, scissors, or most other notions. They do charge shipping on bolts of fabric, luggage, cutting mats, Ott Lights, etc. (They now carry Quilter's Dream Batting.....but only to customers outside of the United States.) <a href="http://www.checkerdist.com">http://www.checkerdist.com</a>

**SouthStar Supply Company:** They have scissors, snips & holsters, bobbins, pattern making supplies, rotary cutters, mats, knives, sharpeners, notions, needles, pins, ergonomics, safety, & handling supplies, steamers, machine oil, spot lifters, silicone.....and they are very nice people to work with.

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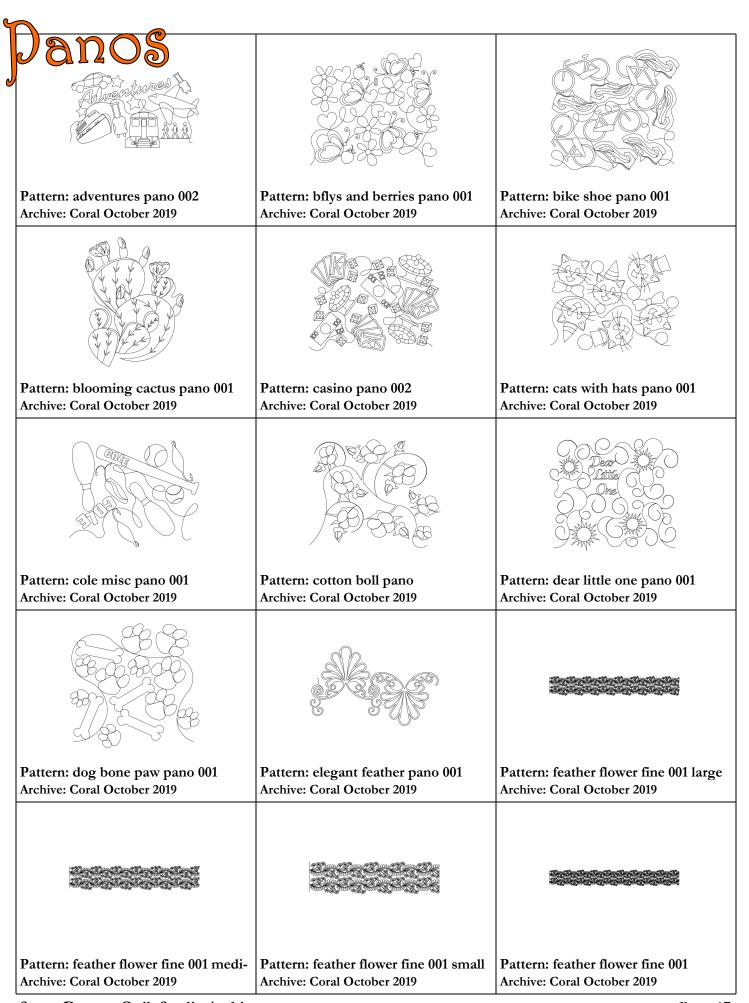
Quilter's Dream Batting: I have pretty much stopped purchasing rolls of batting. I find it easier to maintain an accurate inventory of batting, and it stores well. Unlike some packaged batting, I don't find that the QD batting is distorted, and so it doesn't require a trip through my dryer before I can use it. Some of my best friends who also have longarm quilting businesses stock packaged batting as well as batting on a roll. We agree that these people are easy to work with! <a href="http://www.quiltersdreambatting.com">http://www.quiltersdreambatting.com</a>

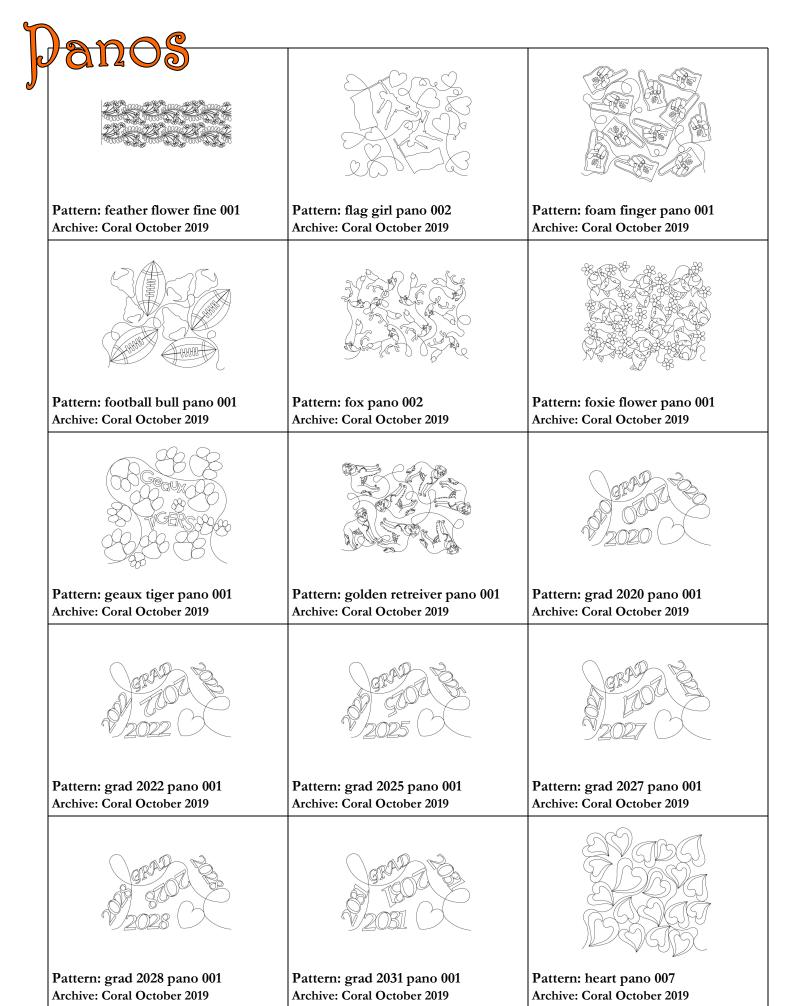
**Virginia Longarm:** I buy the dress bag and the 3-sided zipper totes to deliver my quilts to customer. They bring their next quilt to me in their bag. When I arrive at our guild meetings, laden with my purple bags, people say it looks like Christmas. Their quilts stay clean and it adds a little extra class and professionalism to my business.

http://www.virginialongarm.com or call 804-708-0741.

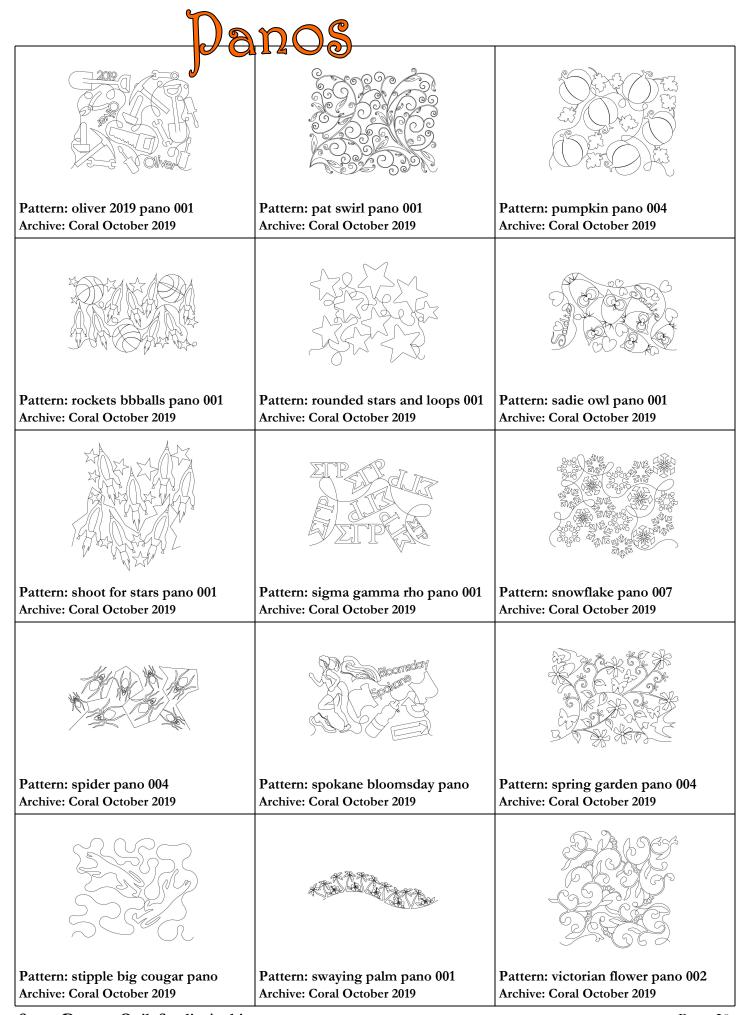
**Wingspan Crafts:** These are the people at MQX East who have the pre-shunk cotton batting (Katahdin) and the lovely 80/20 (Acadia). They were very nice to work with. <a href="http://www.wingspancrafts.com">http://www.wingspancrafts.com</a>

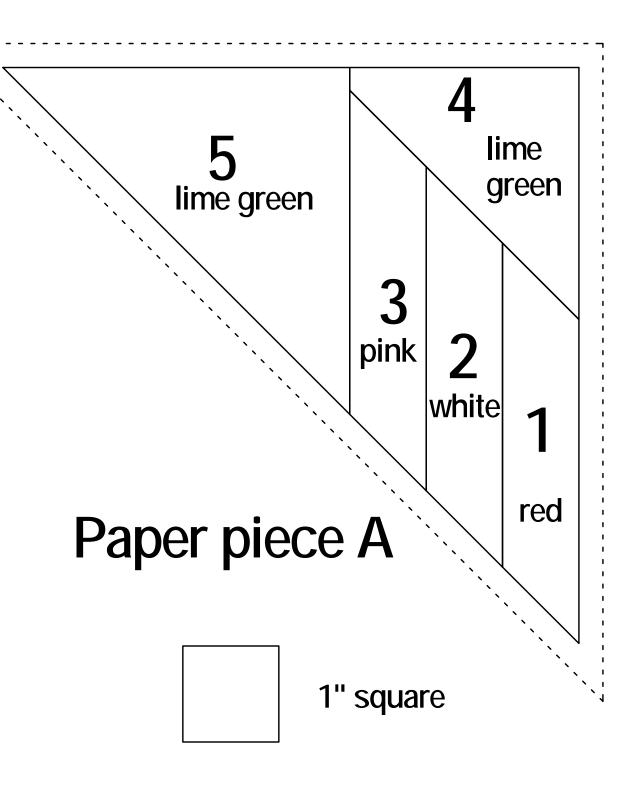
**Winline Textiles:** These people were at MQS in Wichita. Their batting also feels very nice, has great consistency. They sent me home with two sample batts (a crib size and a twin size). I have used both sample batts and was very, very pleased. Visit them at: <a href="http://www.winlinetextiles.com">http://www.winlinetextiles.com</a> Wholesale prices available!





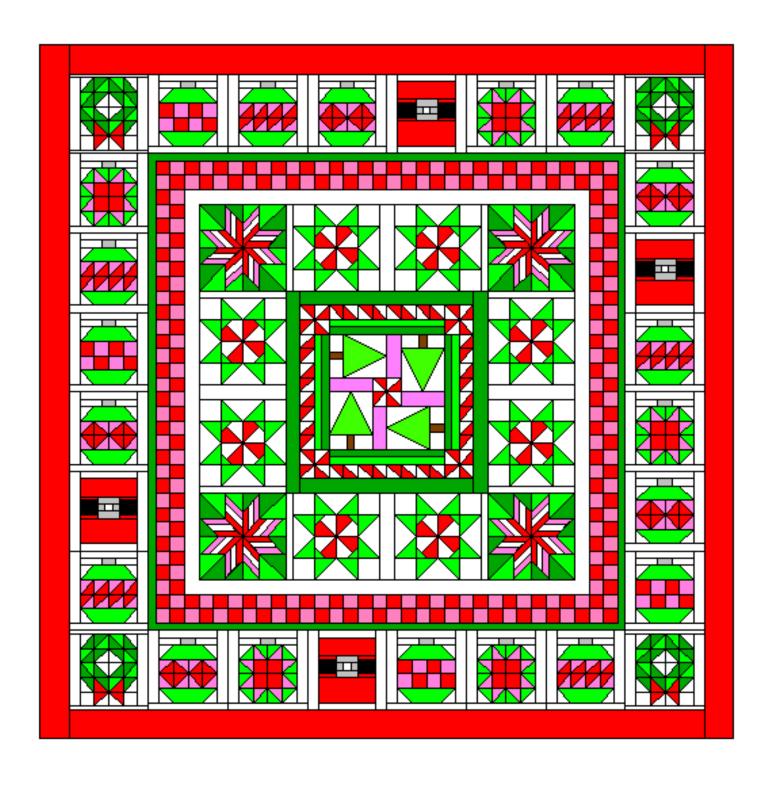
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# Paper piece B dark green 2 white pink red dark green

#### **Thoroughly Modern Christmas Quilt**



## **Thoroughly Modern Christmas**

## General Instructions and miscellaneous tips

Finished quilt measures 96" x 96"

#### Fabric Requirements:

6 Yards Solid White Background Fabric Fat Quarter of Black .75 Yard Binding
4 Yards Red Scrap of Brown 9 Yards Backing
1 Yard Dark Green Fat Quarter of Silver
3 Yards Lime Green 3 Yard Hot Pink

#### Tools for piecing:

Ruler, rotary cutter, Triangle Square Up Ruler, Add a Quarter Ruler. You don't have to use these specific rulers...one just makes squaring up half-square triangles easier and the other one helps you trim your paper piecing sections to 1/4".

#### White Thread suggested



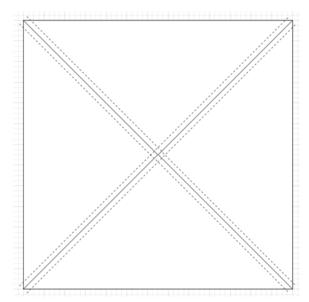
Seams should all be 1/4".

#### Making Half-Square Triangles (8 at a time):

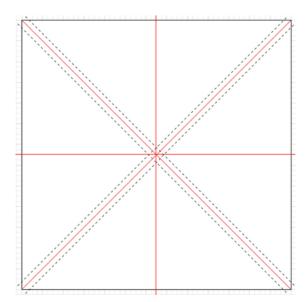
Mark the wrong side of the light fabric square twice diagonally.

Place light and dark fabrics right sides together.

Stitch ¼" on either side of both lines.



Cut stitched blocks in half horizontally and vertically AND on the diagonal lines.



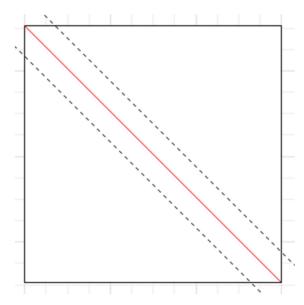
Square pieces according to block instructions. Open and press to the dark. Trim off the dog ears to reduce bulk in seams during block construction. If you don't have a Triangle Square Up Ruler, open and press to the dark and then square to block instructions.

#### Making Half-Square Triangles (2 at a time)

Mark the wrong side of the light fabric square once on the diagonal.

Place light and dark fabrics right sides together.

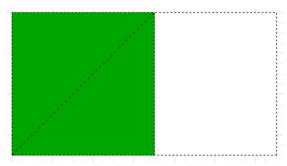
Stitch ¼" on either side of marked line.



Cut on the line between the stitching.

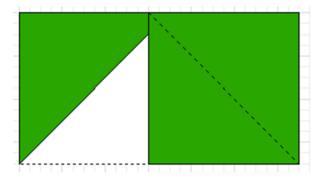
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#### **Making Flying Geese**



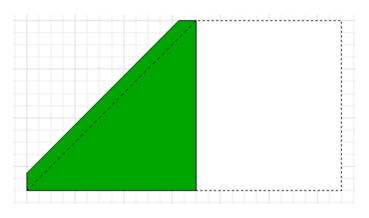
Step 1

Draw a diagonal line on all of the "sky" squares.



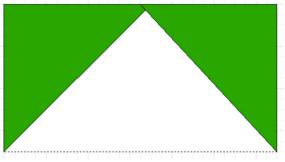
Step 3

Place "sky" square in upper right corner of "goose" rectangle. Stitch on line. Trim away 1/4" toward the right corner. Press to corner.



Step 2

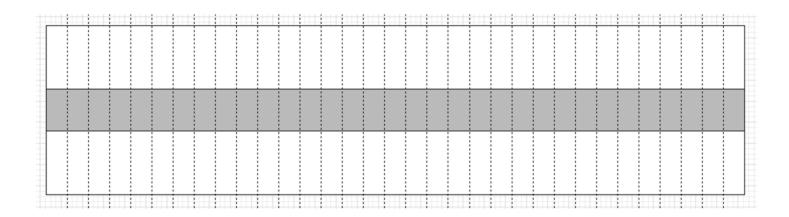
Place "sky" square in upper left corner of "goose" rectangle. Stitch on line. Trim away "x" toward the left corner. Press to corner.



Step 4

Finished Flying Geese Unit

There are 20 ornament blocks. Each ornament block has a silver hanger piece. Rather than making that hanger piece for each block separately, you may wish to make a strip set and cut them all at the same time. To do this, you will need to cut two strips of background fabric 3.5" by Width of Fabric and one strip of silver fabric 2.5" by Width of Fabric. Sew these together as show below, White/silver/White. Press seams to the silver. Cut the slices at 1.5".



**Background Cutting for Ornament Blocks:** 

For each Ornament Block, you will also need the following from the background fabric:

Cut 2: 2" x 10.5" rectangles Cut 1: 1.5" x 11.5" rectangle Cut 1: 1.5 x 8.5" rectangle

To cut these ahead of time:

- •Cut 10 strips 2" x W.O.F. (width of fabric): Sub-cut into (40) 2" x 10.5" rectangles
- •Cut 1 strips 11.5" x W.O.F. (width of fabric): Sub-cut into ( 20 ) 1.5" x 11.5" rectangles
- •Cut 1 strips 8.5" x W.O.F. (width of fabric): Sub-cut into (20) 1.5" x 8.5" rectangles

We suggest that you label these piles of sub-cuts and set them aside for use when the ornament blocks are presented.

#### **Properly Applying Borders:**

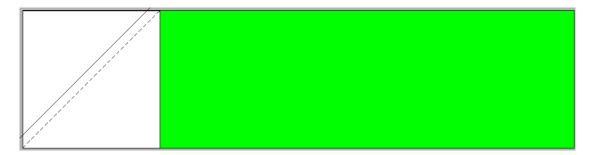
**Step 1:** Measure the quilt top to bottom on the left edge, middle, and right edge. Add together those three measurements and divide that total by 3. Make two border pieces equal to that measurement.

**Step 2:** Find and mark with a pin the center of that quilt edge AND the center of each border piece. With right sides together, match the two center pins, and pin on the border to the quilt. Stitch. Press toward the border. Repeat pinning and stitching for opposite border.

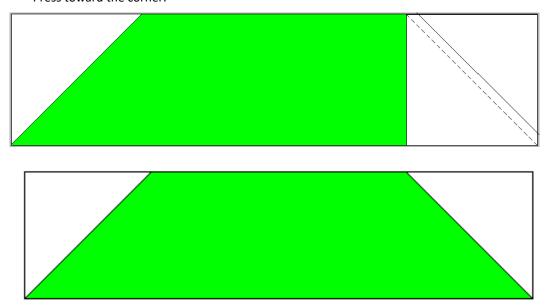
**Step 3:** Repeat Steps 1 and 2 for the other borders.

#### **Ornament Top and Bottom Units**

- •Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the 2.5" x 2.5" squares of white background.
- •Place one 2.5" x 2.5" square over the left end of one 2.5" x 8.5" lime rectangle.
- •Stick on the diagonal line.
- •Trim away 1/4" from seam toward the corner.
- Press toward the corner.



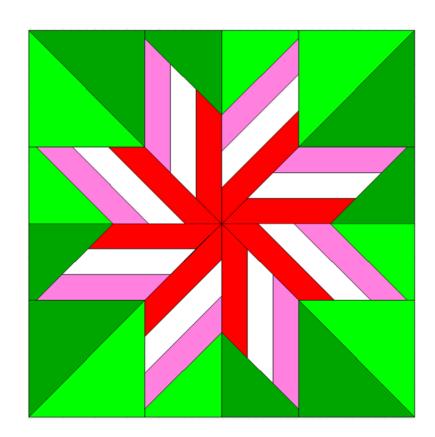
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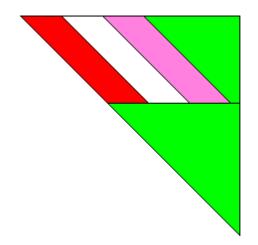
- •Make 10 for the Double Square Ornament Block
- •Make 12 for the Striped Ornament Block
- •Make 8 for the Checkerboard Ornament Block

#### Ribbon Star Block - Make 4

- •Print 16 copies of the paper piece star piece A and check to make sure that the 1" reference square measures one inch.
- •Print 16 copies of the paper piece star piece B and check to make sure that the 1" reference square measures one inch.
- •Make (4) paper pieced ribbon star blocks. Suggest using 16 to 18 stitches per inch.
- •Square so each block has 1/4" seam allowance on all four sides of each block.
- •Remove paper.



#### **Paper Piece A**



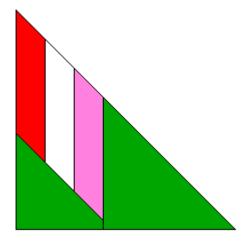
#### Paper Piece A:

Cut 16: Red 1.5" x 5.5" rectangles Cut 16: White 1.5" x 5.5" rectangles Cut 16: Pink 1/5" x 5.5" rectangles

Cut 8: Lime green 4" x 4" squares, cut one time diagonally.

Cut 8: Lime green 5" x 5" squares, cut one time diagonally.

#### **Paper Piece B**

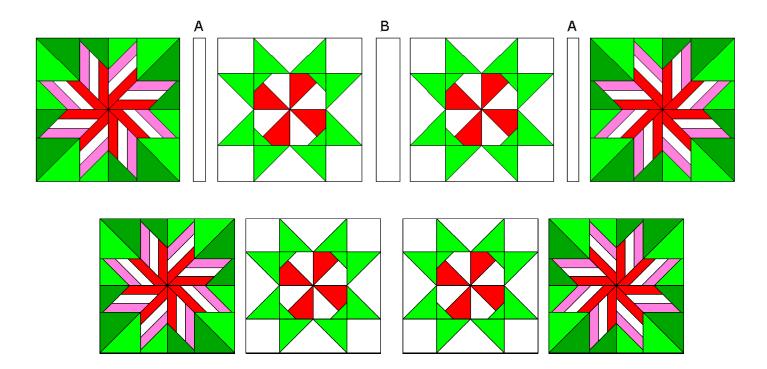


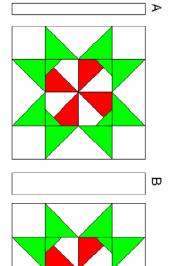
#### Paper Piece B:

Cut 16: Red 1.5" x 5.5" rectangles Cut 16: White 1.5" x 5.5" rectangles Cut 16: Pink 1/5" x 5.5" rectangles

Cut 8: Dark green 4" x 4" squares, cut one time diagonally. Cut 8: Dark green 5" x 5" squares, cut one time diagonally. Cut 4: 2.5" x 12.5" rectangles white background (Sash B)
Cut 8: 1.5" x 12.5" rectangles white background (Sash A)

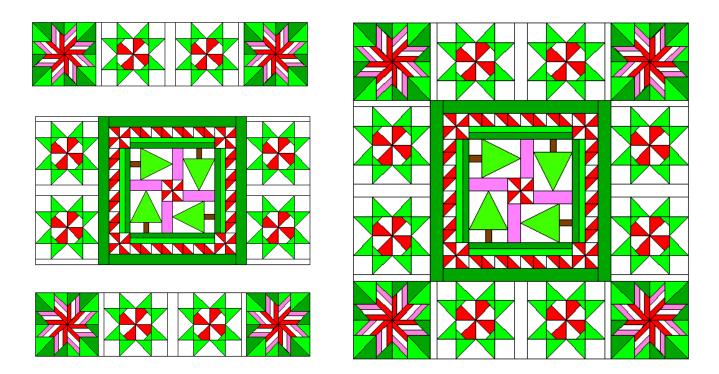
Assemble a row containing 2 Ribbon Star Blocks and 2 Peppermint Star Blocks, 2 Sash A units, and 1 Sash B unit, as pictured below. Press toward the sashing. (Make 2)





Assemble a row containing 2 Peppermint Star Blocks, 2 Sash A units, and 1 Sash B unit, as pictured to the left. Press toward the sashing. (Make 2)

- •Attach one set of Peppermint Star/sashing units to the left and right sides of the center unit. Press toward the dark green.
- •Attach one set of Ribbon Star Block/Peppermint Star/Sashing units to the top and bottom of this unit. Press toward the dark green.

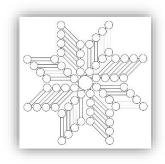


At this point, this unit should measure 52.5" x 52.5".

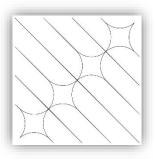
## Thoroughly Modern Christmas Quilting Instructions Month 4 – Ribbon Star

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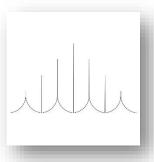
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