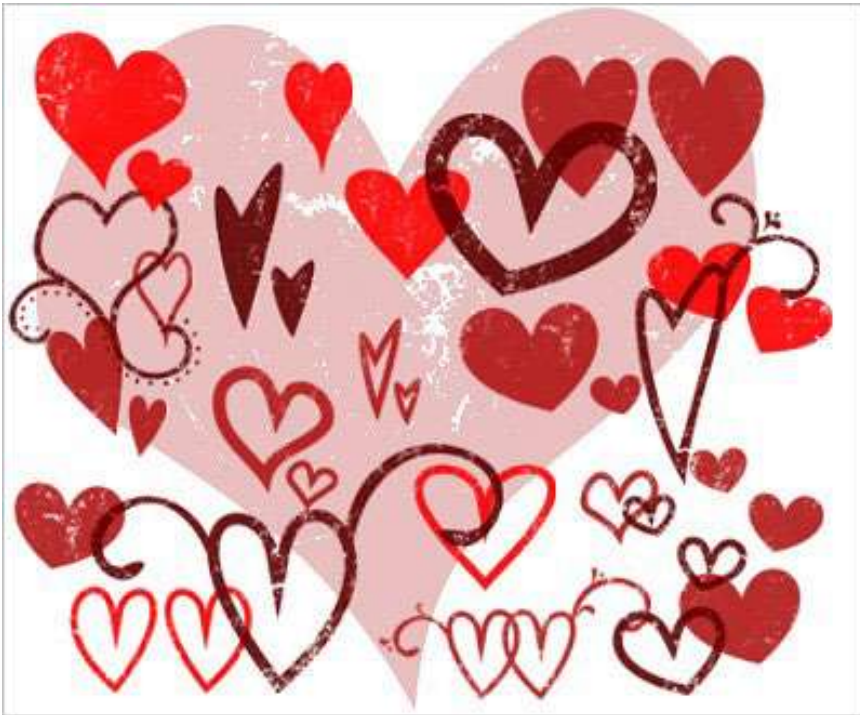


Club Notes:



February 2011



The Emerald Lord contains 179 patterns, including 17 panos, a retail value of \$1405.00

Happy Valentine's Day

Greetings to All our Crown Jewels Club Members:

We've just finished digging out from under a 9" snowfall, and they are predicting we'll get 16" more this week! So, we're all planning to hunker down and get caught up on our quilting! We appreciate the fact that several of our Australian Crown Jewels Club members are struggling with weather much more devastating!

One of our CJC members wanted to make Double Wedding Ring table runners as anniversary gifts and Kim designed a whole set of patterns for her. Check them out! Also, in response to the plethora of quilts being made using the New York Beauty type blocks, Kim designed several NYB pattern sets. These sets are based on existing motifs, so many of you may already have borders and border corner patterns to use along with the new patterns. Happy Quilting from Janet & Kim

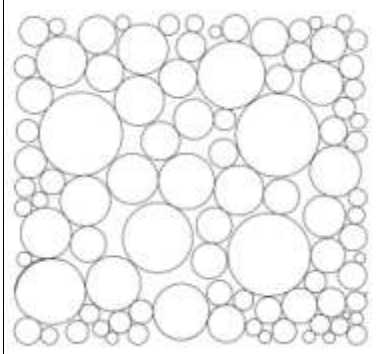
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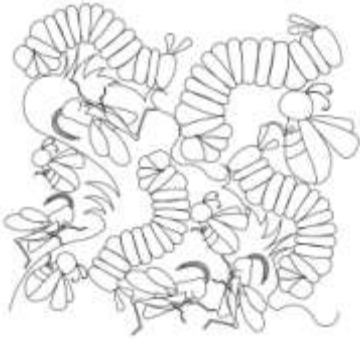
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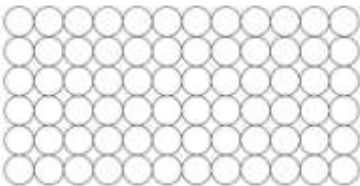
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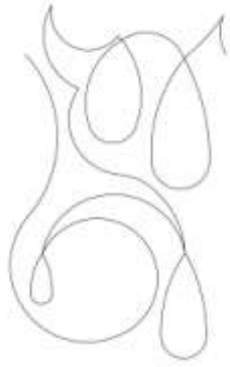
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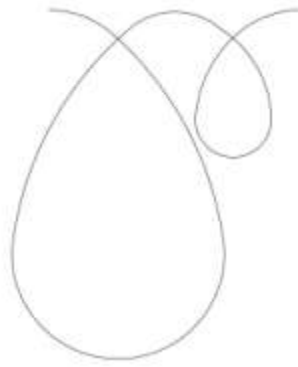
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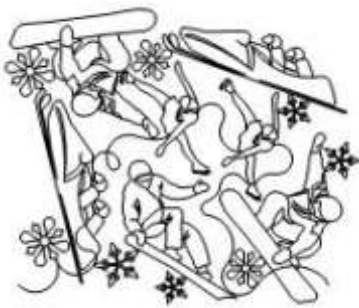
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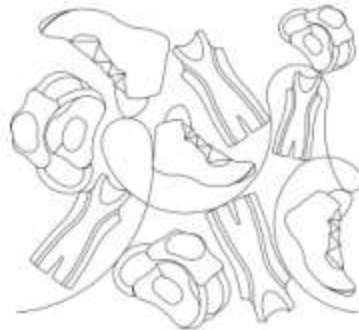
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Pattern: ribbon flowers pano 001
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Pattern: winter sports pano
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Pattern: wrestling pano 001
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Panos Con't.

Kym's Patterns:

(we all want to see photos of this quilt when you're done with, Kym)



February Longarm Tip:

Tip #1: To help keep your quilt rolling evenly, trim your batting so that the excess beyond the edges of your quilt top is the same on both sides.

Tip #2: Each time you use the last cone/spool of quilting thread, jot down the brand name # color number on a note pad. I keep mine taped to my desk. Then, when you're placing your thread order, you won't have to scabble to remember what you need.

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 only, so you'll need your sales tax certificate to set up an account. They have an amazing selection of thread. They have fabulous customer service and an easy online account set up process. They also ship internationally!
<http://www.superiorthreads.com>

Kingsmen Longarm Quilting Supply: They sell Hobbs batting, Signature cotton, and A&E Perma Core thread, plus the Quick Zip system, oil for your longarm, bobbins, machine parts, etc. They don't have a minimum order for anything, and they sell retail (at wholesale prices). These people are top notch people to work with!
<http://www.kmquiltingsupply.com>

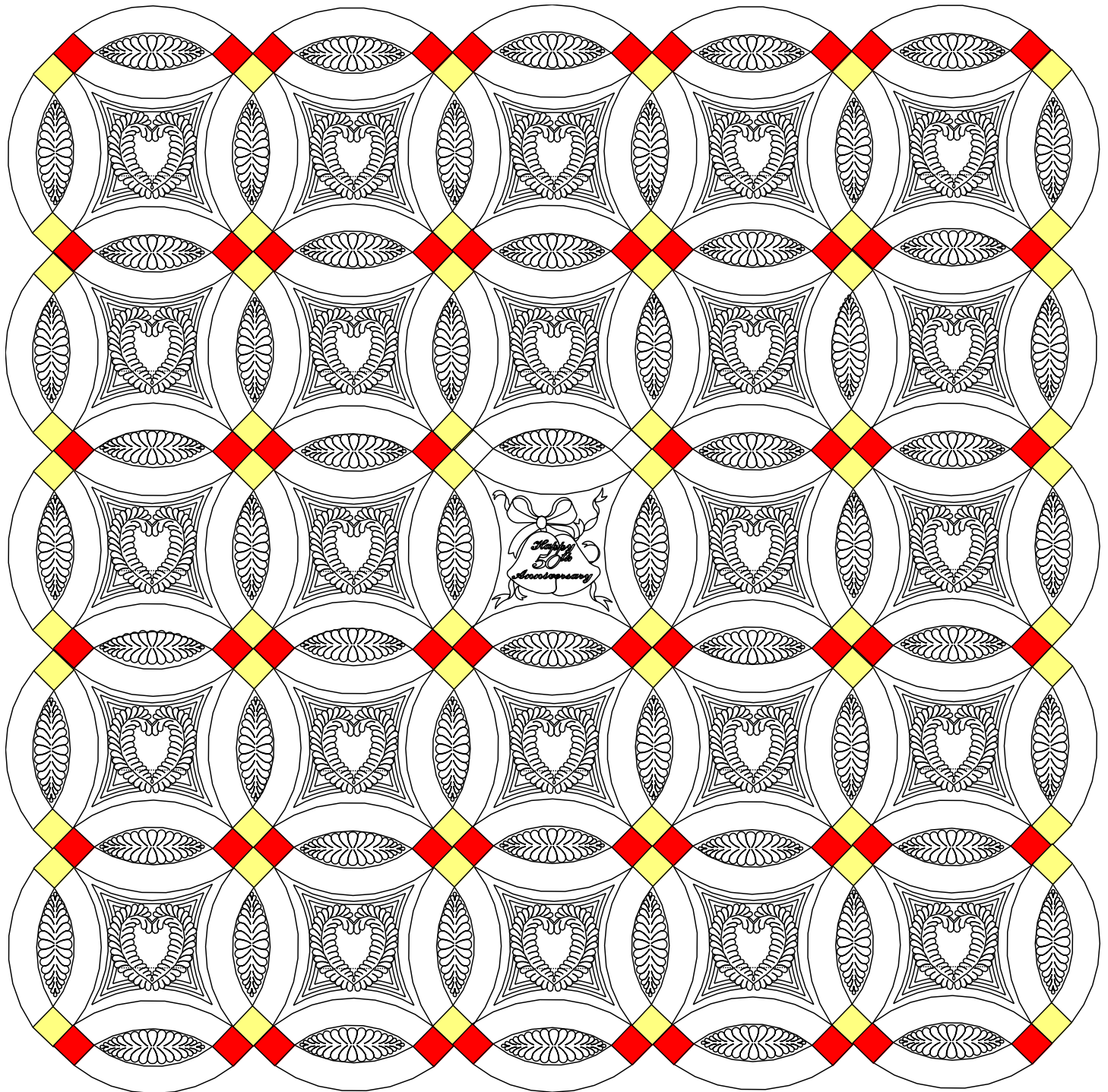
Checker Distributing: Wholesale Only.....I have rarely looked in vain for anything quilt related on their site. Shopping for supplies can be addicting! Shipping is charged on large items, but not on items such as pins, needles, thread, books, scissors, or most other notions. They do charge shipping on bolts of fabric, luggage, cutting mats, Ott Lights, etc.
<http://www.checkerdist.com>

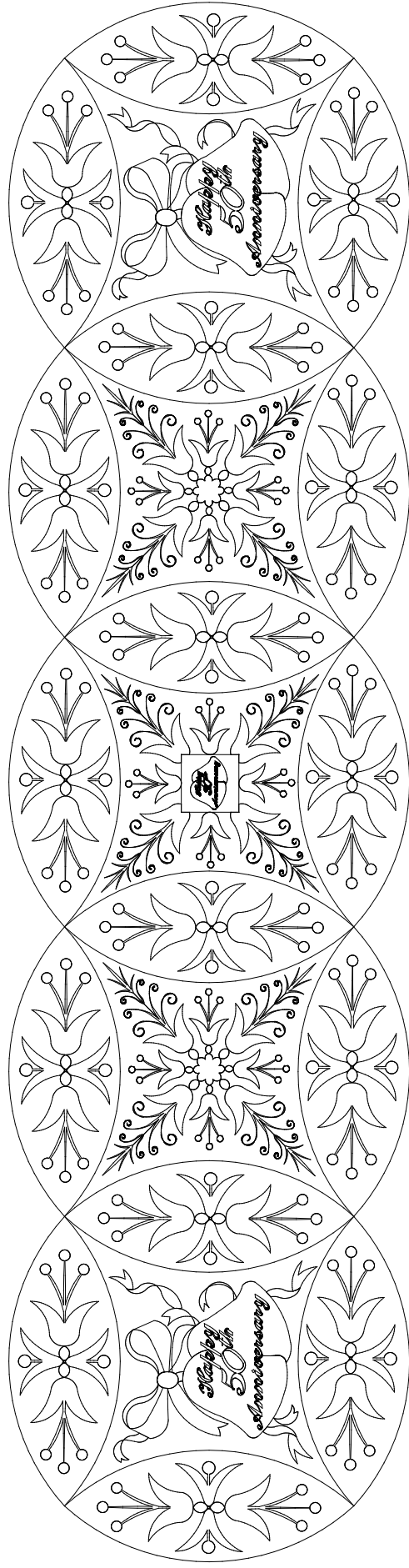
Quilter's Dream Batting: I have pretty much stopped purchasing rolls of batting. I find it easier to maintain an accurate inventory of batting, and it stores well. Unlike some packaged batting, I don't find that the QD batting is distorted, and so it doesn't require a trip through my dryer before I can 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! <http://www.quiltersdreambatting.com>

Quilted Memories: This Hobbs Batting distributor is only a quick phone call away. She ships UPS or Fed Ex. UPS costs a bit more, but since they'll put my packages inside my garage rather than leaving it out on my front porch, I don't mind that extra cost. This lady (Lyn Heilman) makes it happen! When I find myself in a batting crunch, she's there for me! Just gotta love that! (Plus she provided all the classroom batting for the SUGAR 2010 Conference this past summer). <http://www.quiltedmemoriesllc.com>

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 toll free at 855-566-4276.

New patterns used in an actual DWR Quilt layout.

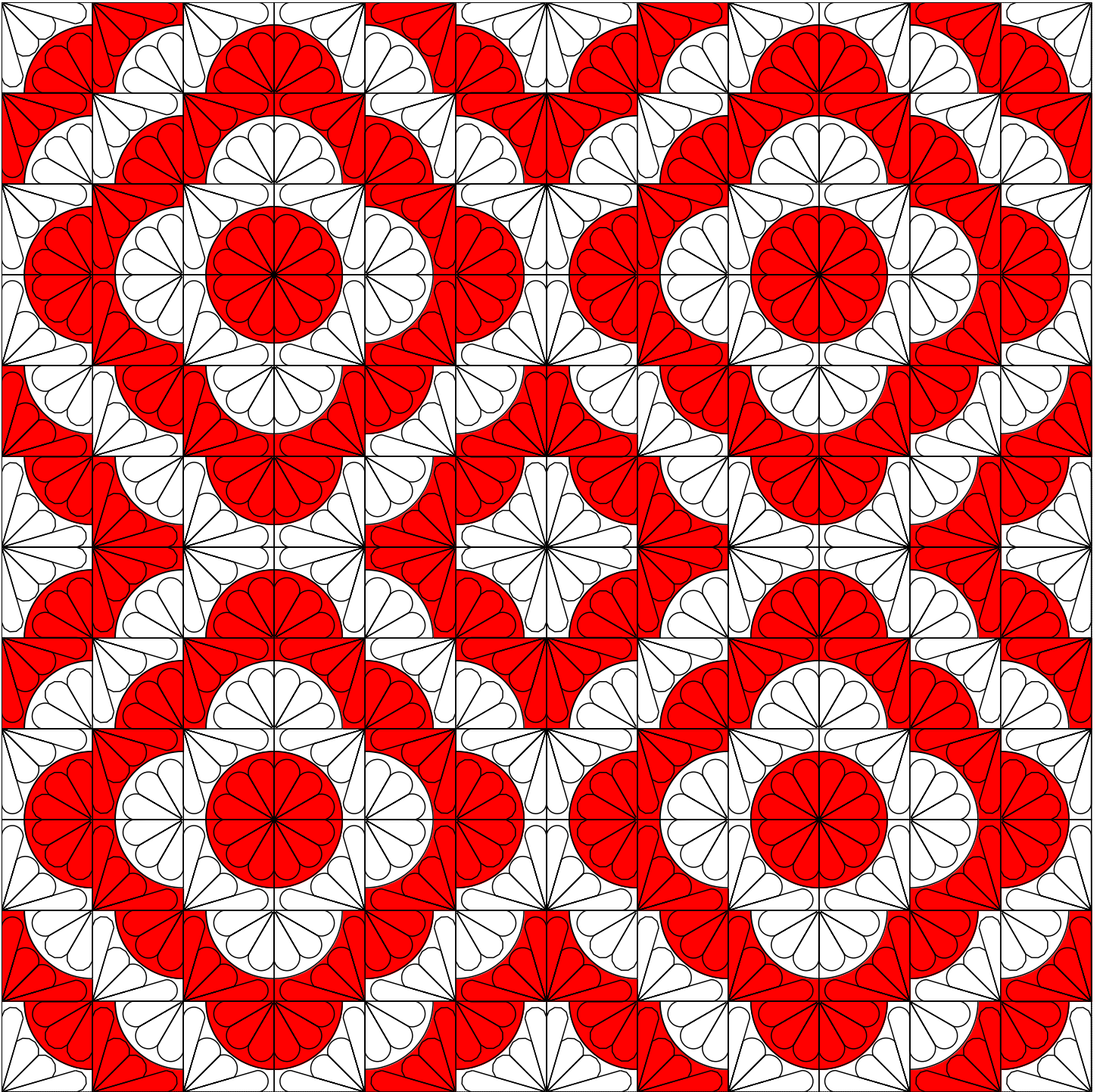




Double Wedding Ring Table Runner (just one example)

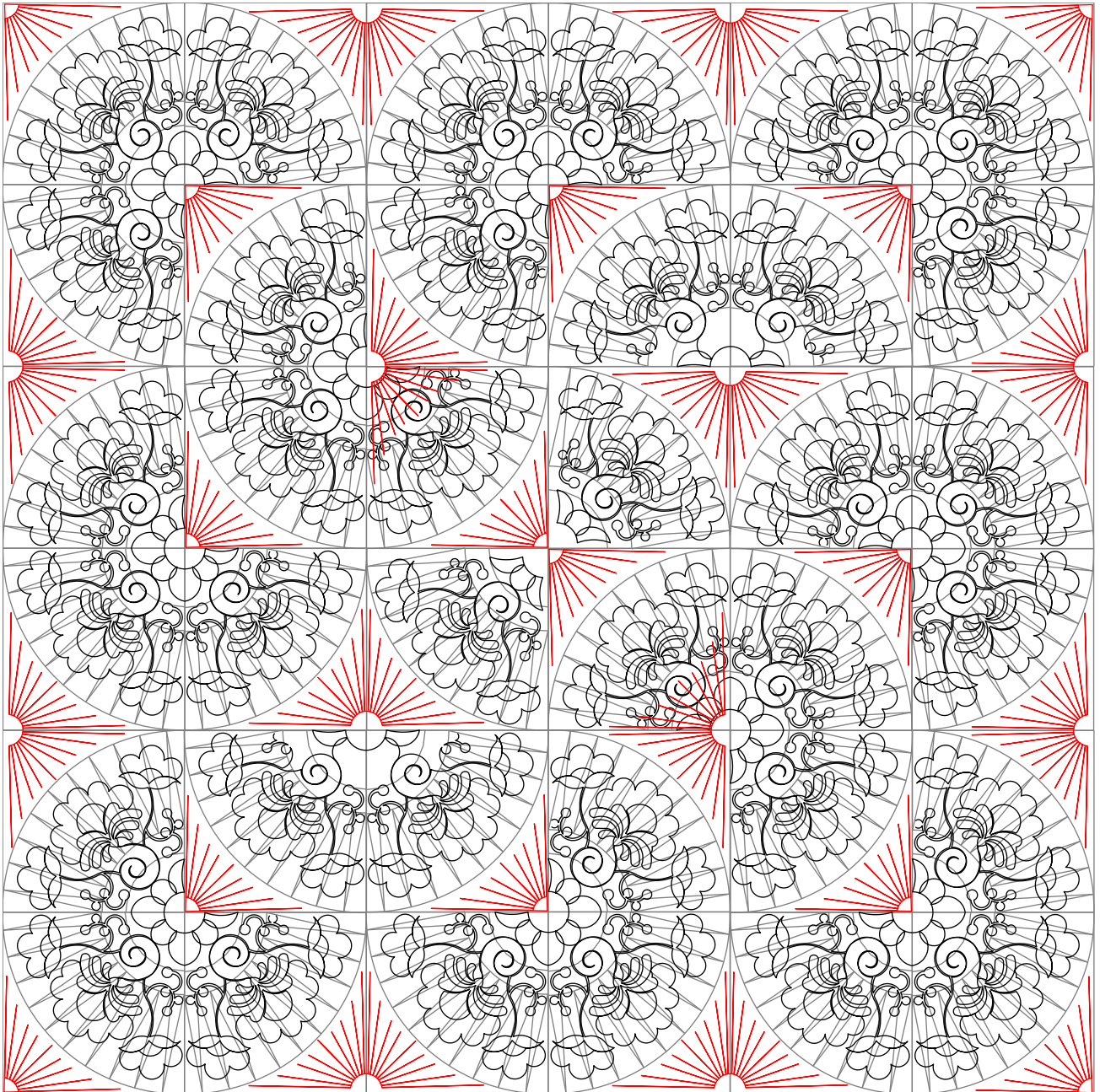
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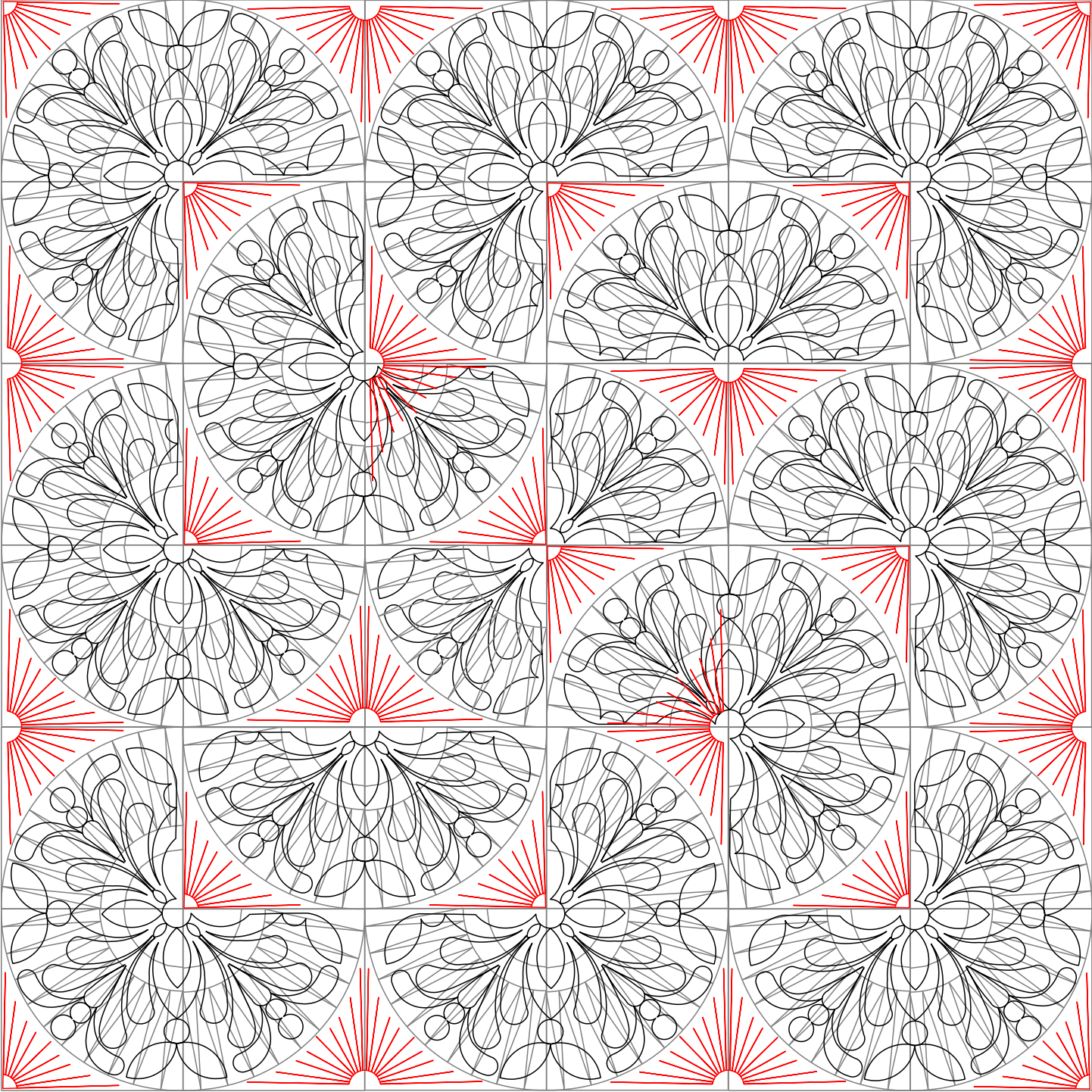
Elizabeth dp 001, Elizabeth dp 002, Elisabeth dp 003

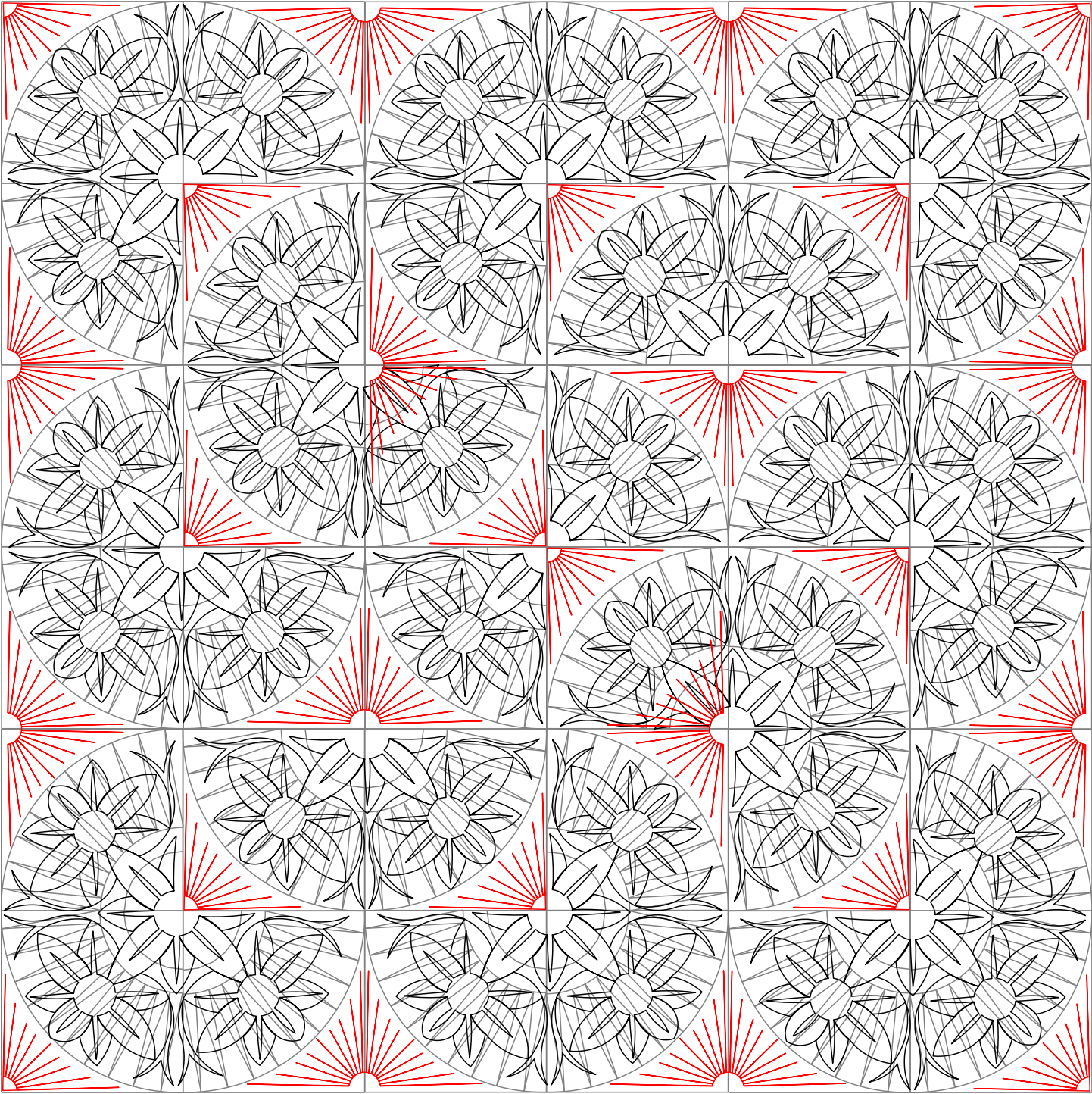


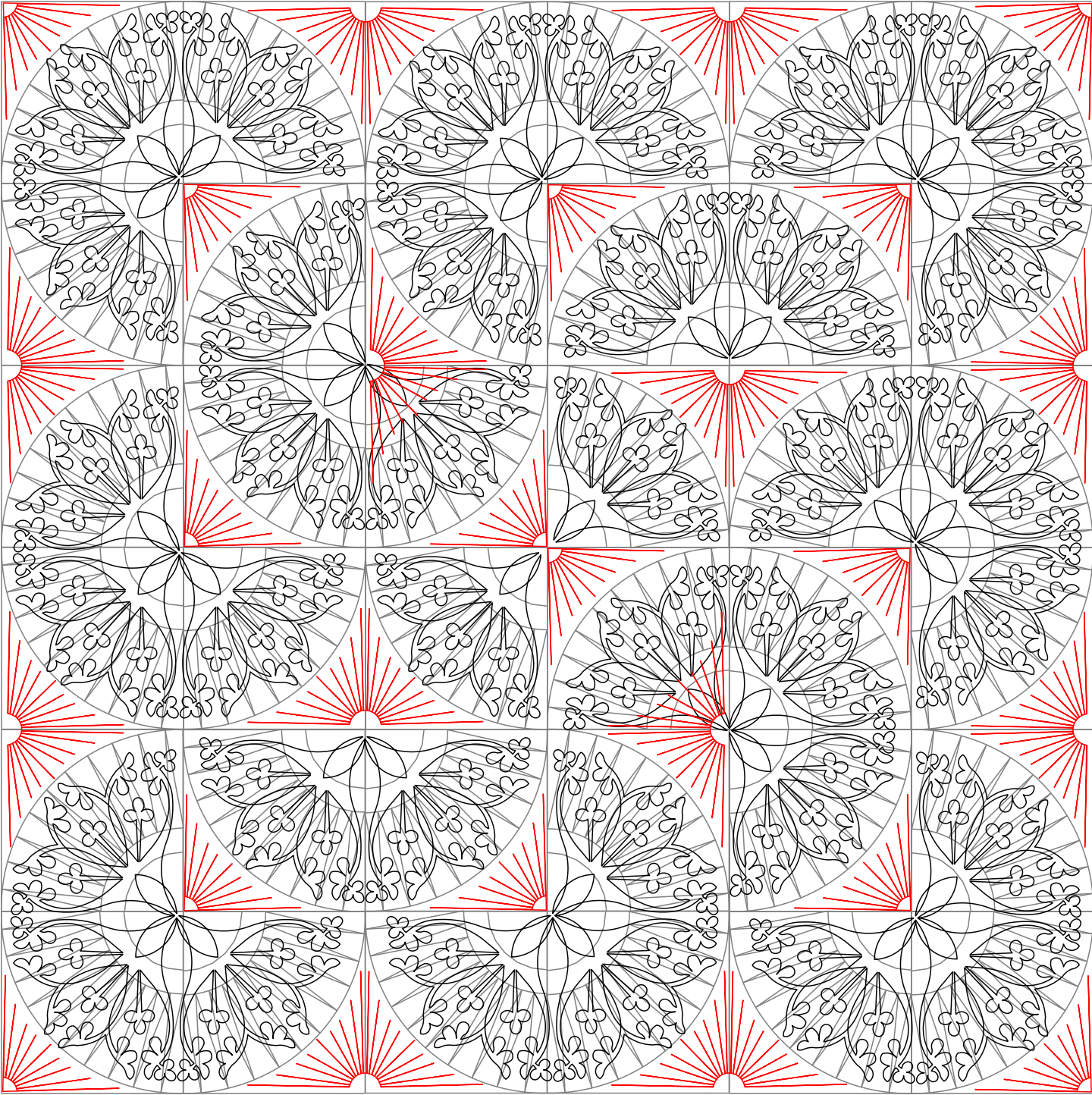
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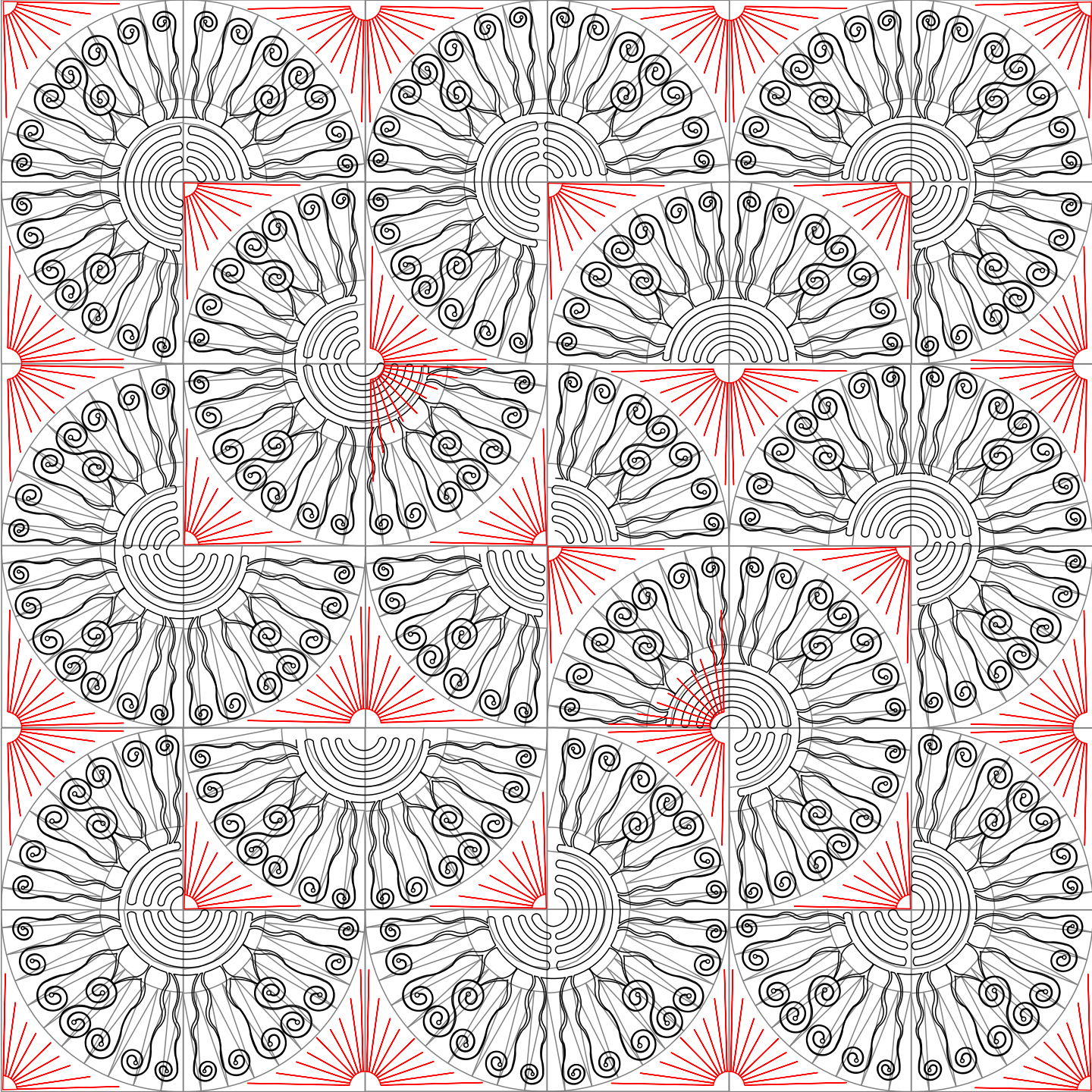
New York Beauty Sets

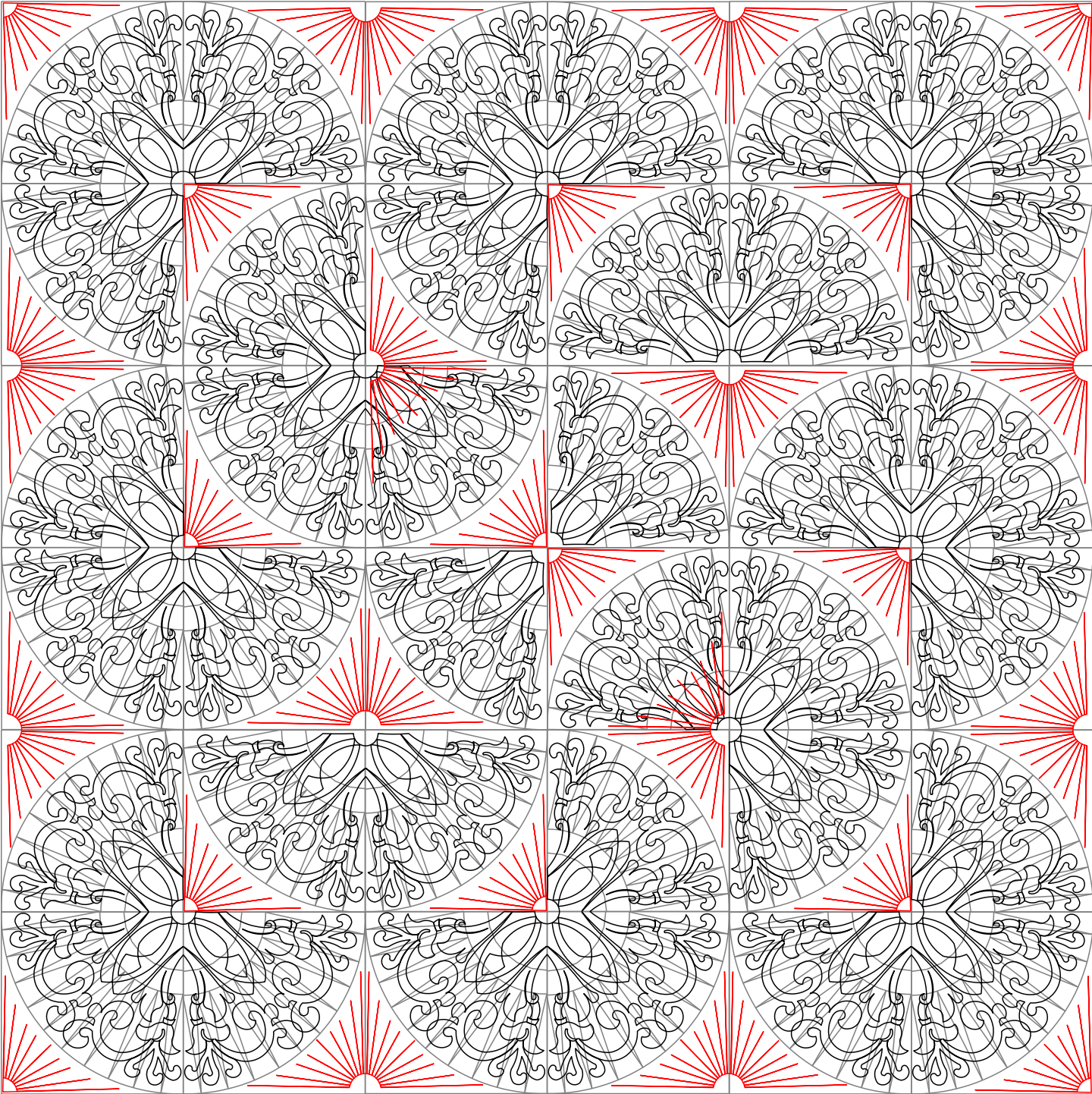












CJC Members: This batch of patterns includes a newer version of the “blank quilt last row x 4” pattern from last month. There was a justification issue with the pattern. Kim modified the pattern and we’re sending it to you again. If you use PVM software, it will bring this modified pattern into PVM as a new pattern. I’d delete the old pattern from your longarm machine computer, your internet-



Things to include when requesting a special pattern:

One of the perks of being a Crown Jewels Club member is that whole *Having a Designer in your Pocket* concept. Before you send us an email, take a moment or two to think through what you need. Do you need an e2e pattern or a block pattern. If you need a block pattern, what size block is it for? We realize that with a computerized system, you can resize the pattern to fit your block, but if a pattern has a great deal of detail and was designed for an 18” block, you aren’t going to be pleased with it stitched out in a 9” block.

If you want a block, do you also need a triangle, sash, border and border corner?

How dense do you want your e2e pattern to be? Do you want sophisticated or whimsical: for an adult or for a child? When do you *need* it? Try not to wait until you’ve loaded the quilt to request a new design.

The more information you provide us when you make your request the better. If you can, send along photos of the quilt blocks, fabrics, each with a measuring tape in the photo so we can see the scale and proportions of the block piecing.

Statler Users: If you’d like us to help you select patterns for your quilt, it really helps us if you’ll use Creative Studio and either use the boundary tools or draw sewable p2p line and draw out a block or two. Tell us the height of the borders, etc. We’ll do our best to help you. You may already have some of the patterns we choose, or you might need to buy them....or Kim might need to design something. It’s kind of like fixing dinner for your family. If somebody would just answer that “what do you want for dinner” question, the cook would be much happier. After all....she’s got quilts waiting for her! And then, we also love it when you send us photos of the quilt when you’re done! If you don’t have a Statler, just give us as much information as possible, and we’ll help you, too!



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: If you have more longarm quilting tips to share, or a list of your favorite longarm supply vendors....post it on Facebook and be sure to tell us what you particularly like about these vendors.
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