

Club Notes:



September 2011



Somehow, I thought that my schedule would lighten up after school started, Silly me! Jordan is in Fall Recreational Softball, Girl Scouts, and Orchestra in Middle School. Her older sister is student teaching, working, planning a wedding, and going to classes. The quilters are leaving their quilts in my purple quilt carriers in my front door when I'm not at home, and the Crown Jewels Club members have been keeping Kim duct taped to her drawing desk!

And then there's the ragweed.....

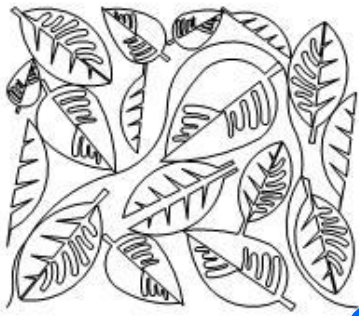
Hope you are all coping well with your schedules, both personal and professional. Enjoy the patterns and keep your good ideas coming!

Janet & Kim

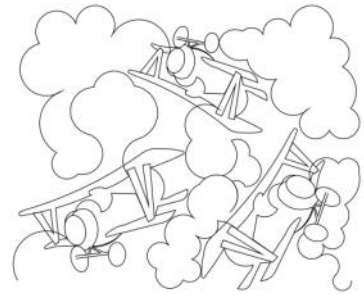
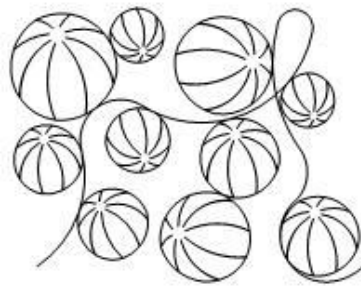
The Sapphire
Count
contains 118
patterns,
including 31
panos,
a retail value of
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S.U.G.A.R. Conference 2012

For the Statler Users in the Crown Jewels Club, we are pleased to announce that the Sugar Conference 2012 will be June 10 –13, 2010 at the Holiday Inn Select in Columbia, MO. The Hotel has opened the block of rooms for registration: [Click Here](#) to go directly to their reservations page online. We also know that the conference fee will be \$425/per attendee, but conference reservations will not be available until November 2011.



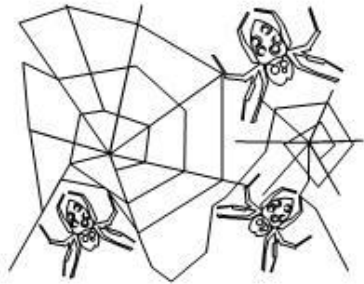
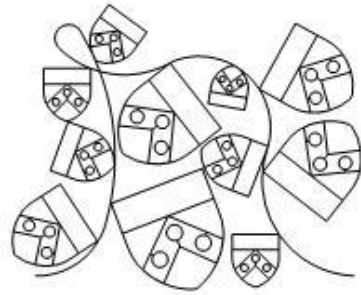
Panos



Pattern: african leaves sq
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Pattern: beach ball pano 001
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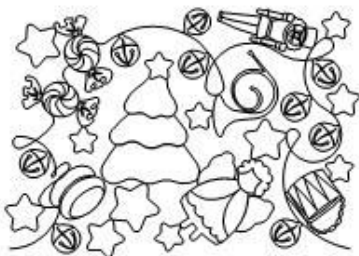
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Pattern: bird pano 001
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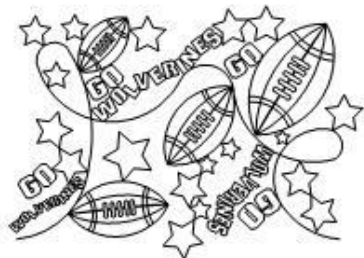
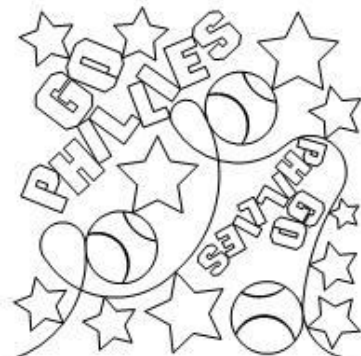
Pattern: childs spider
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Pattern: christmas folksey 001
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Pattern: cities pano 001
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Pattern: gator pano 001
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Pattern: go giants
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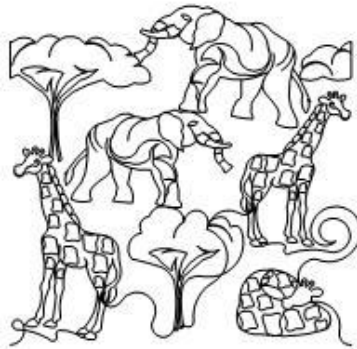
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Pattern: go wolverines pano
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Panos Con't.

Pattern: honeycomb pano 001

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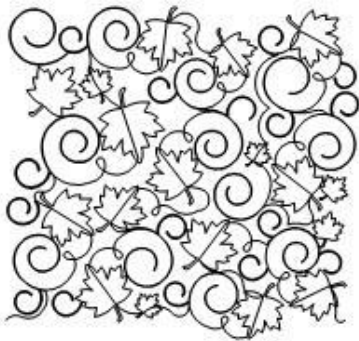
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Pattern: love my dog pano 001

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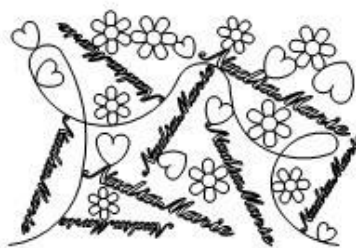
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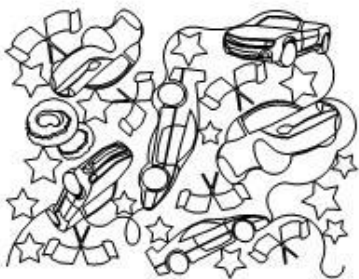
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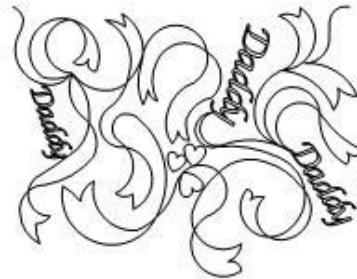
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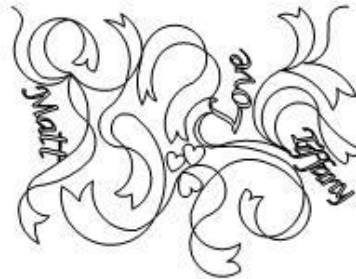
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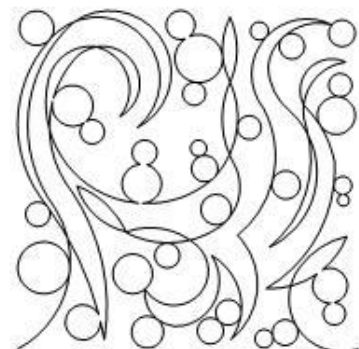
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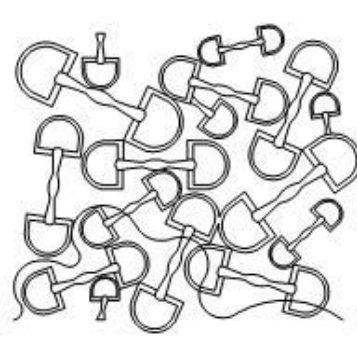
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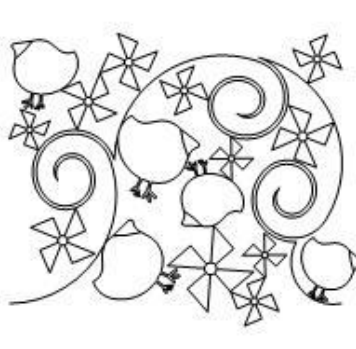
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Pattern: snaffle pano 001

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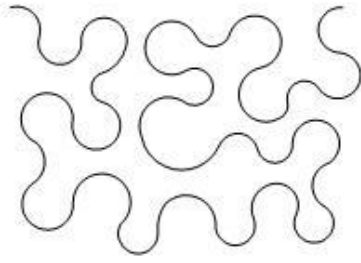


Pattern: spinning peeps

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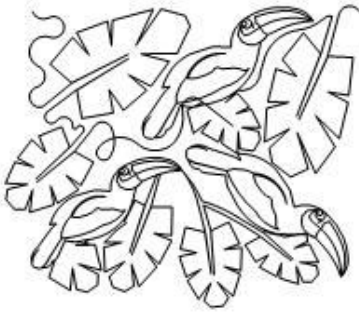
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Pattern: stipple big
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Pattern: swirly pano 003
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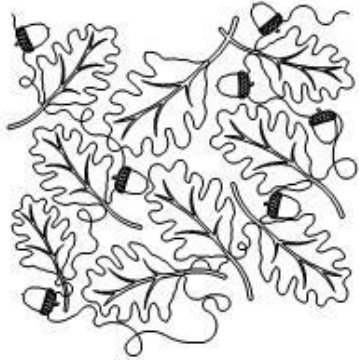
Pattern: toucan pano 001
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Pattern: us army pano 001
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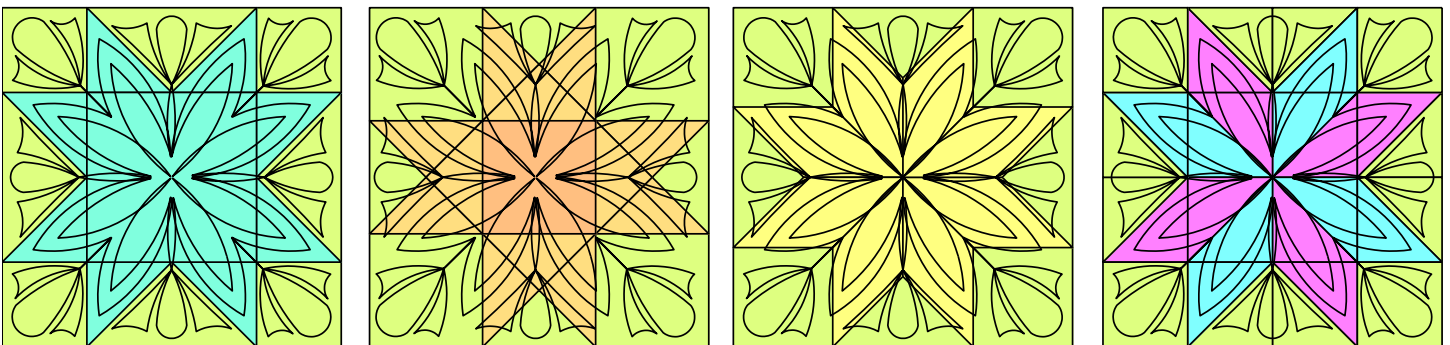
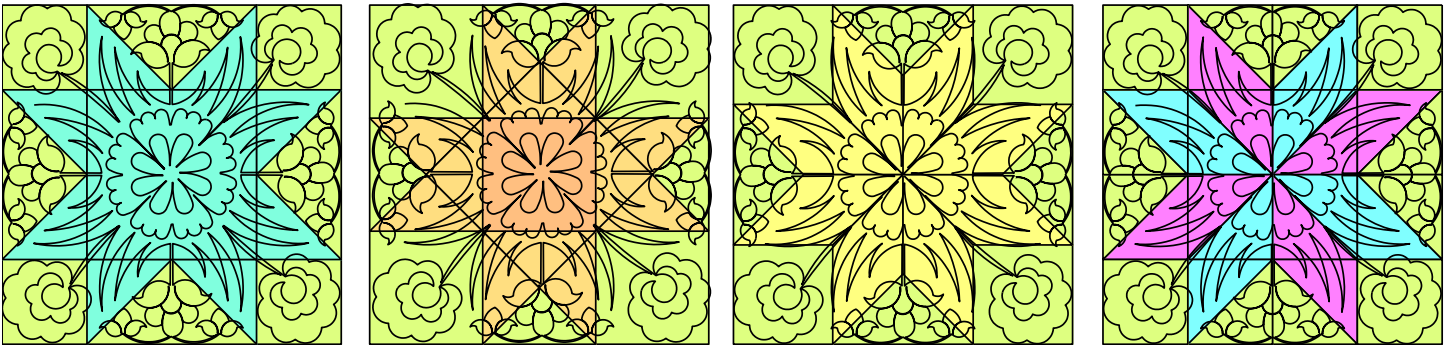
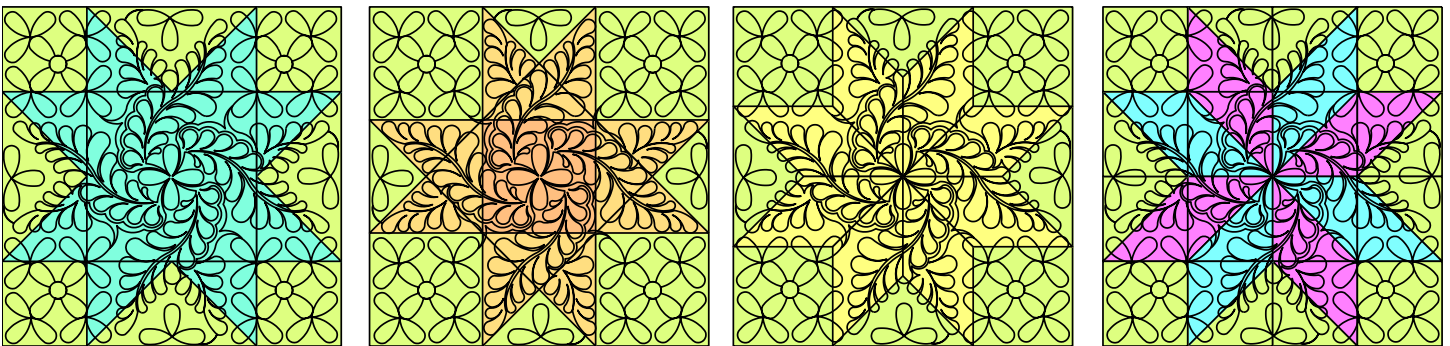
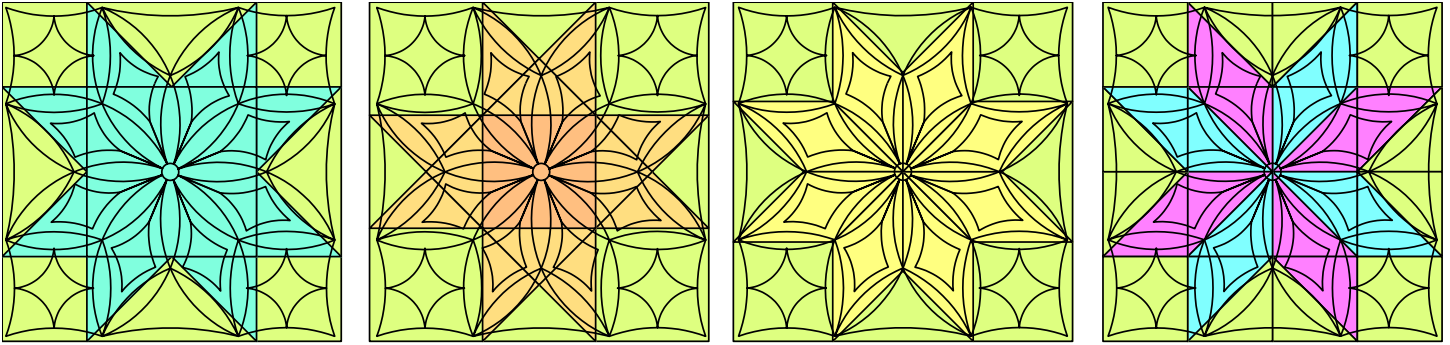
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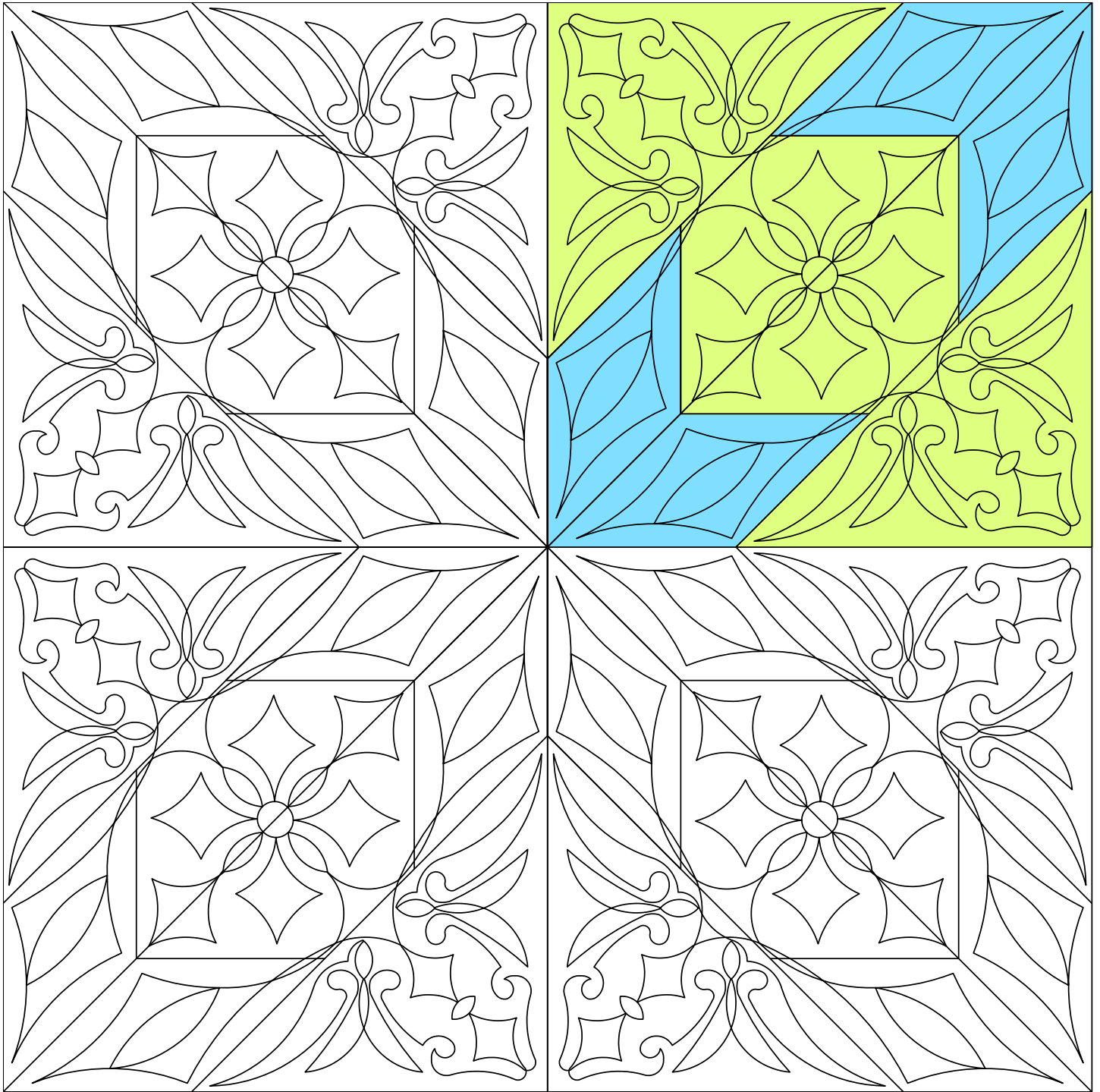
Pattern: white oak 001
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Panos Con't.

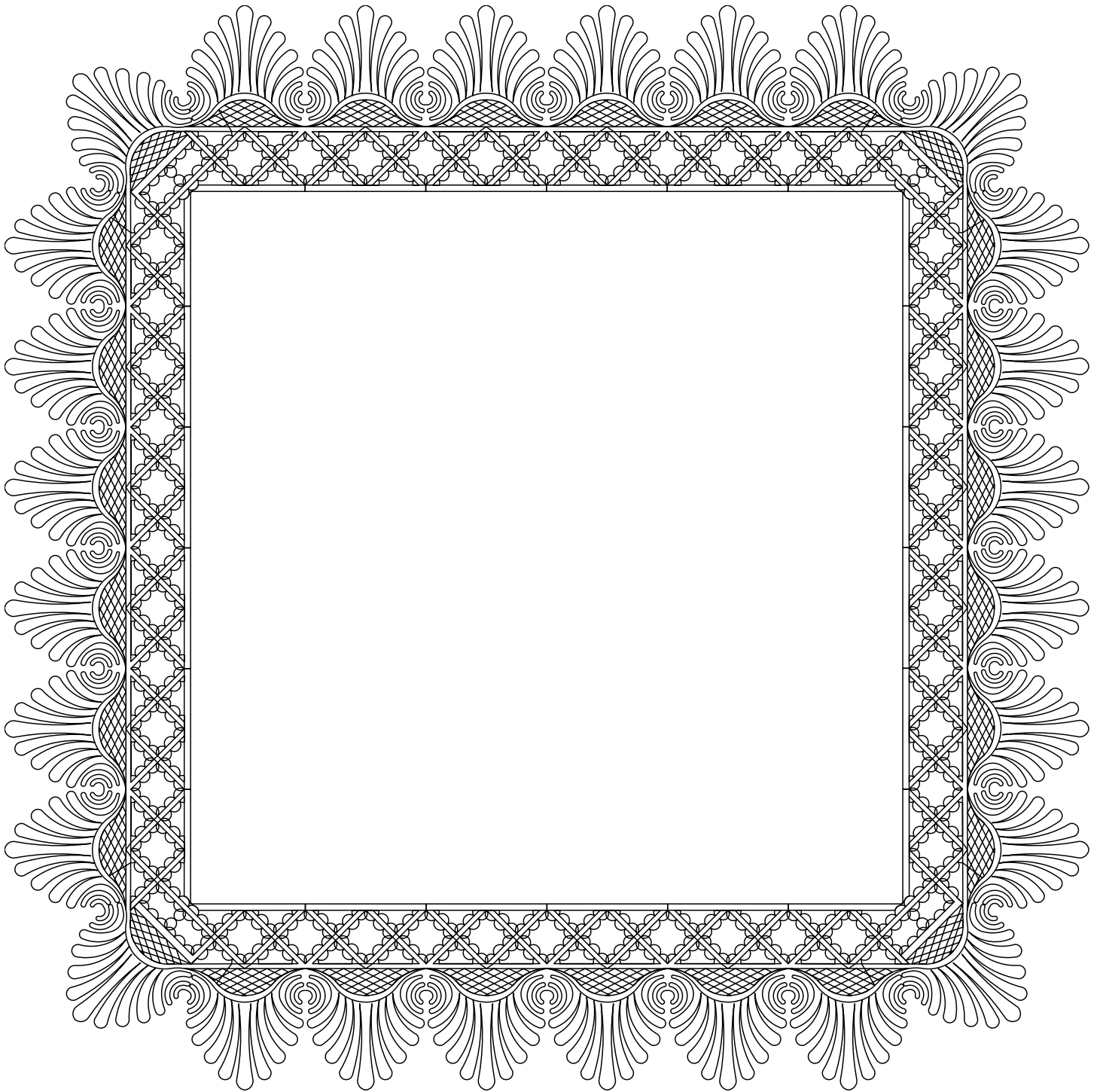
All Stars with 8 points are not created equal!



Each pattern is “used” four times, on the 4 star blocks shown here (Sawtooth Star, Ohio Star, 8-Pt Star, Parallelogram Star. However, as you look closely, you’ll see that in each row, the pattern looks best when used for the particular star block for which it was designed.



Traditional Hunter Star - 8 pointed star is secondary pattern created when putting blocks together

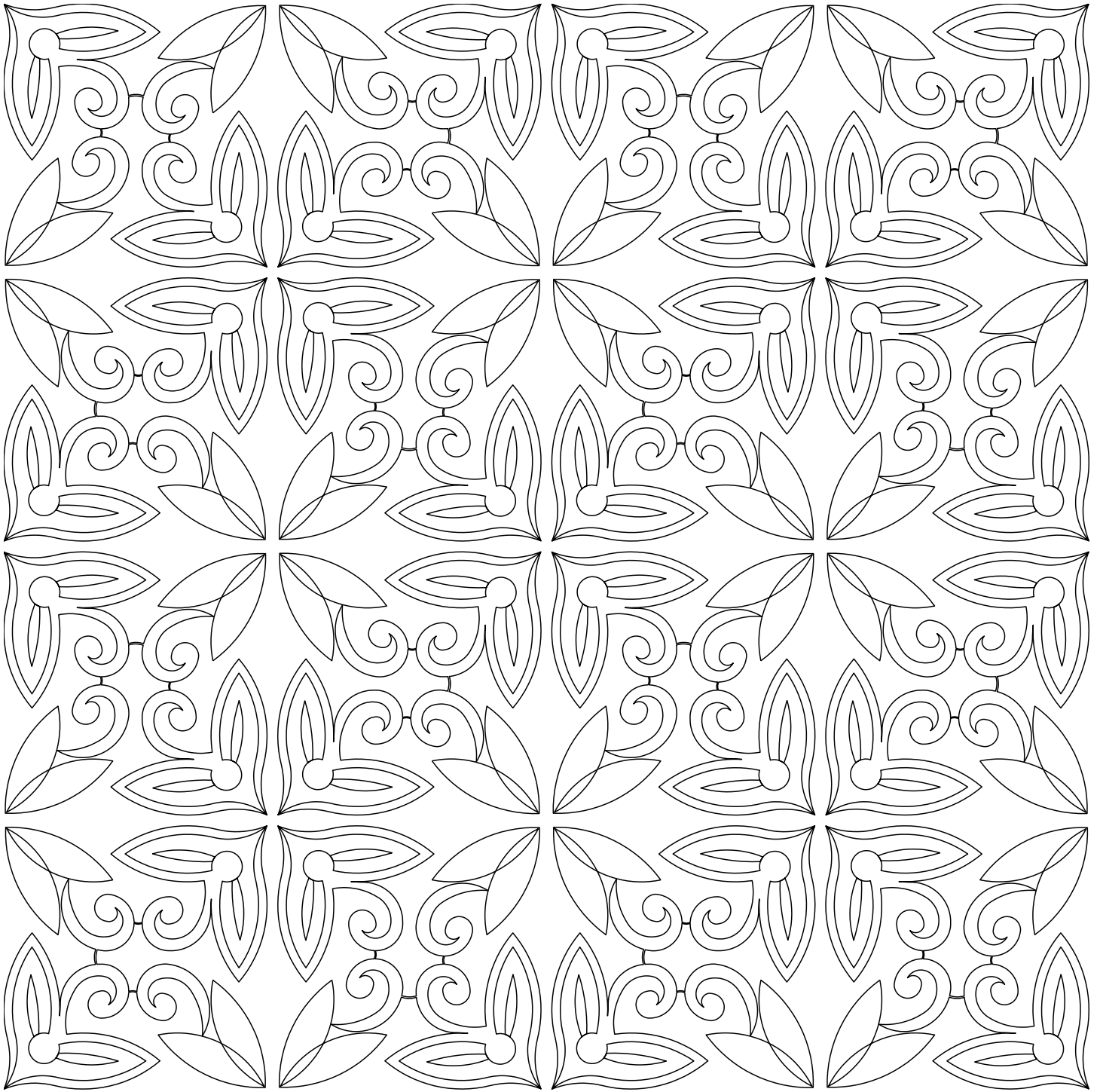


Lace Border 001

and

Lace Brd Crn 001

(there is also lace sash 001....not shown)

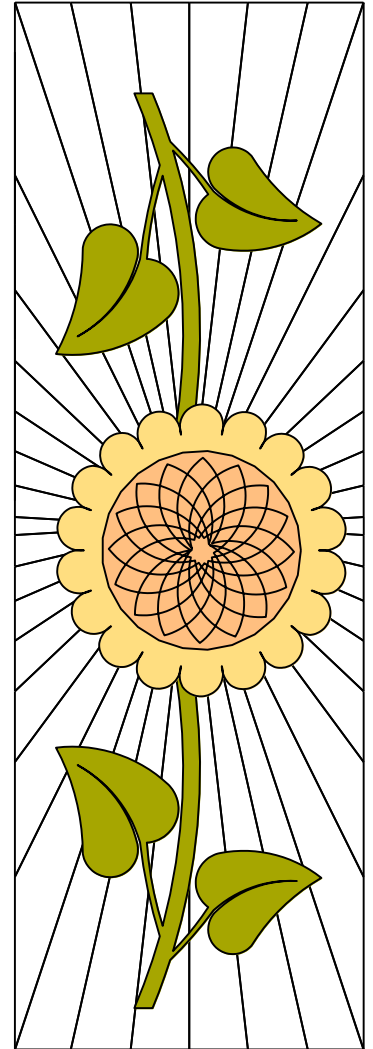
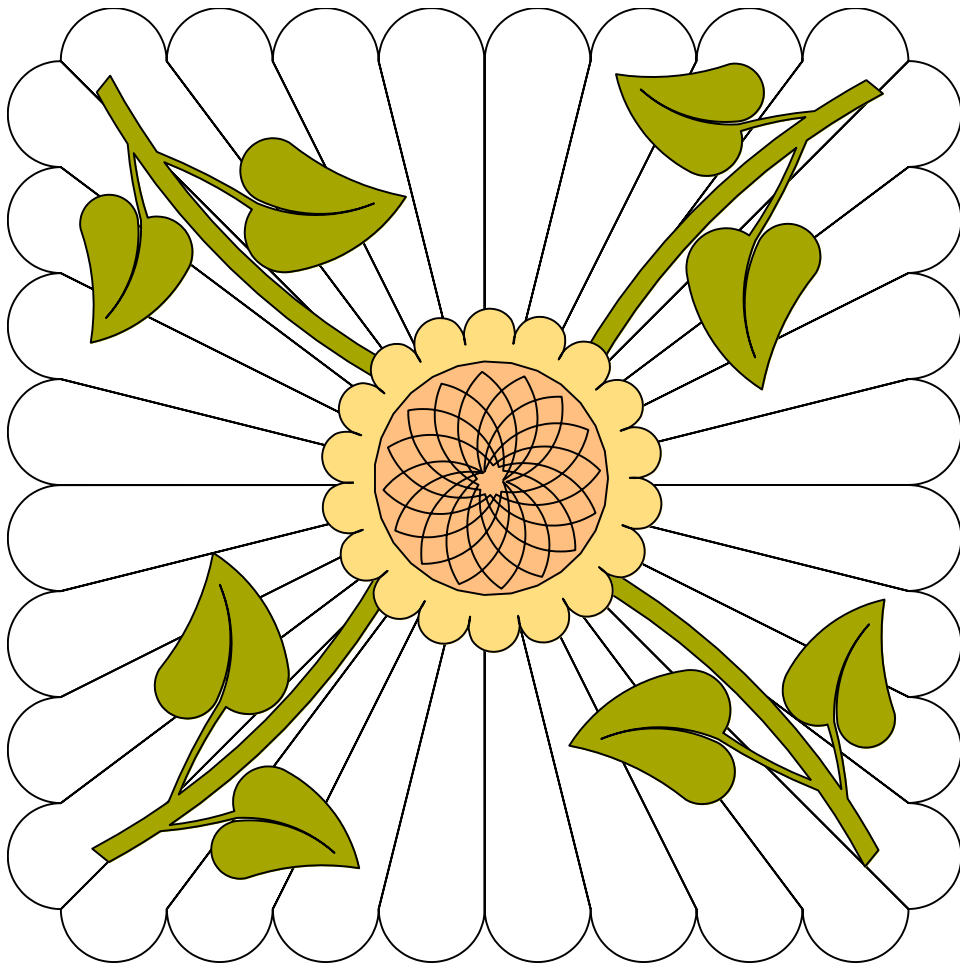


Marg block 001

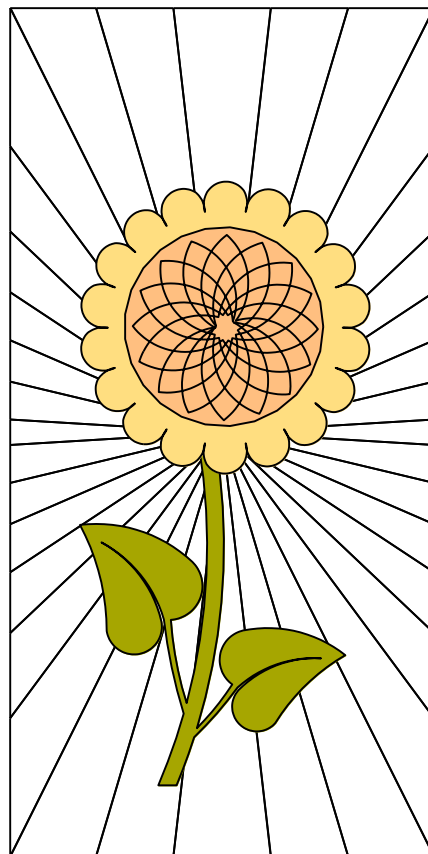
(notice the secondary pattern it creates)



Bali Wedding Pattern Set



Three new back-ground fill patterns, designed to not tie off at the appliqué trims.





**Feather Swag Border Set
For
Dear Jane Quilt**



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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Statler Owners: S.U.G.A.R. (Statler Users Group And Representatives) 2012 Conference is scheduled for June 10—13, 2012 and it will be in Columbia, Missouri. Save the date and watch for more information

<http://www.sugarconference.com>

September Longarm Tip:

- If you don't have the most current software running on your computer-guided longarm....upgrade now!
- Look for training available for your computer-guided longarm.
- Once you've located training....go get trained.

Story as told by Paul Statler: "One day, a lumberjack asked a co-worker to help him cut down a tree. His co-worker helped him saw for awhile, but then in disgust commented that his saw was very dull and it needed to be sharpened. The lumberjack replied that he didn't have time to sharpen his saw."

Good training keeps your "saw" sharp, which makes you a much more efficient quilter.

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.