



Piecing a Stitch Sampler Block

General Instructions:

Seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.

Pressing:

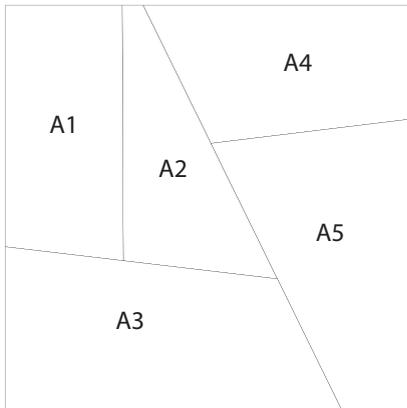
- Press seams open unless otherwise noted.
- When sewing a lightweight and heavyweight fabric together, press the seam toward the lightweight fabric.
- Be careful to press using an iron setting for the fabric being pressed. For instance, do not use a cotton setting to press silk or wool as it may burn the fabric. Consider using a small wooden press for delicate fabrics.
- When pressing a seam with multiple fabric weights, clip the seam to press toward the lighter weight fabric. Press seams open when the fabric weights are similar. For example, press cotton seams open. Press silk seams open. Press a cotton and wool seam to the cotton.

Block Construction:

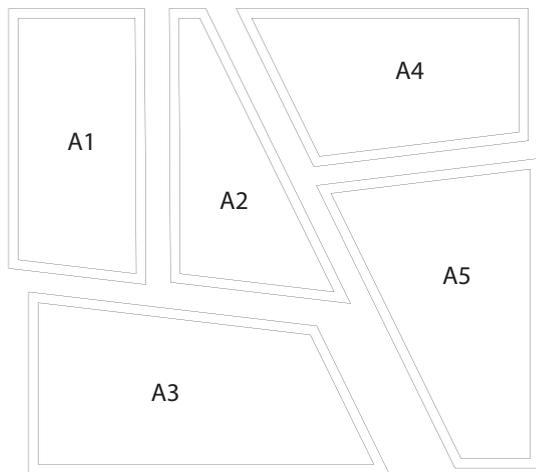
- This method is forgiving when it comes to piecing. All four blocks are oversized. Once they are constructed, each block will be trimmed square. When the four blocks are pieced together to make one large block, it is also oversized. After the block is embroidered, it is then trimmed to size.
- Using the Block Maps as your guide, lay out the templates with the fabric attached. Remove the templates only when you are ready to sew pieces together. Place them in a sheet protector to stay organized.



Block A



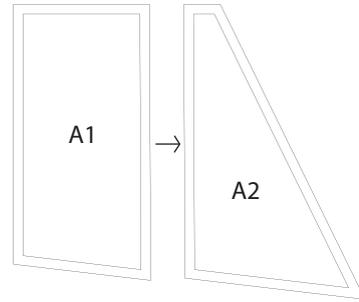
Block Map A



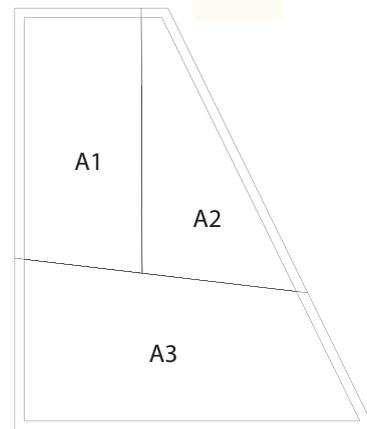
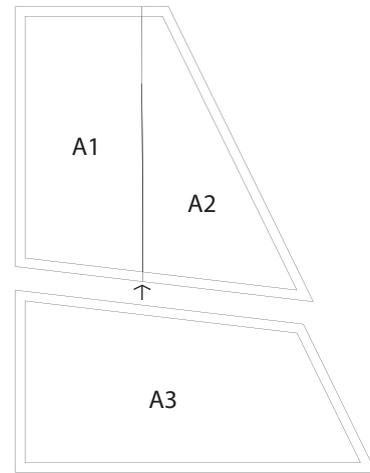
Block A
templates with fabric

Referring to the arrows on the diagrams, sew the block pieces right sides together. Press seams after each piece is added.

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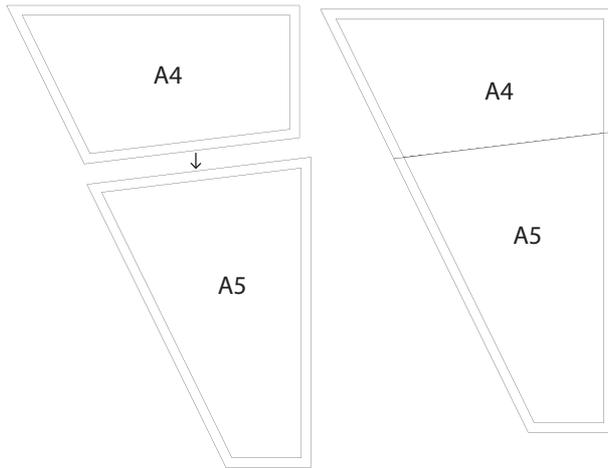
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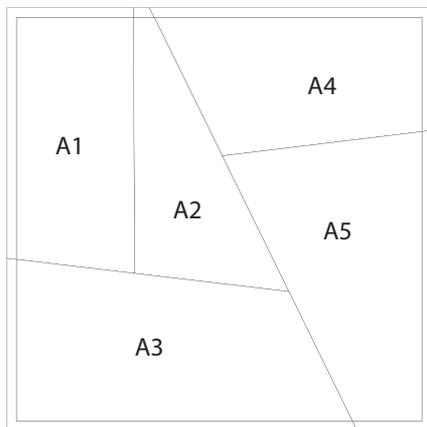
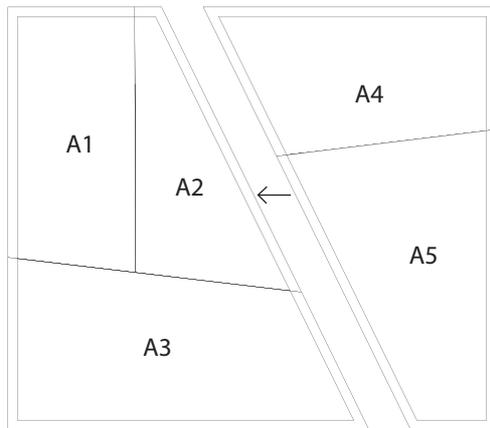
Tip: If a two-pieced section does not have an even edge to join to the third piece, trim the joining edges even. Remember the blocks are oversized and have a little wiggle room when it comes to piecing.

Block A *continued*

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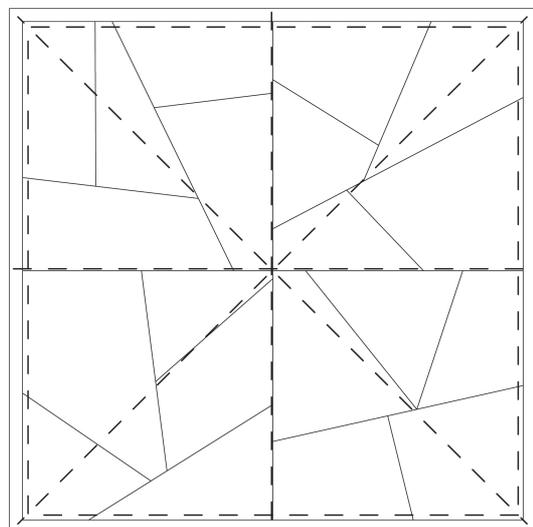
Making a Stitch Sampler Block

1. Make four (4) of Block A.
2. Square up each of the patchwork Blocks A-D to 10-1/2" x 10-1/2".
3. Rotate the four blocks to achieve a pleasing configuration of colors, fabrics, and shapes. Sew two of the blocks together, as shown. Press seams open. Repeat with remaining two blocks.
4. Sew the block pairs together as shown to make a sampler block. Press seams open. On the right side of the block, draw an 18 1/2" square. This will be the guideline for the boundaries of your embroidery.

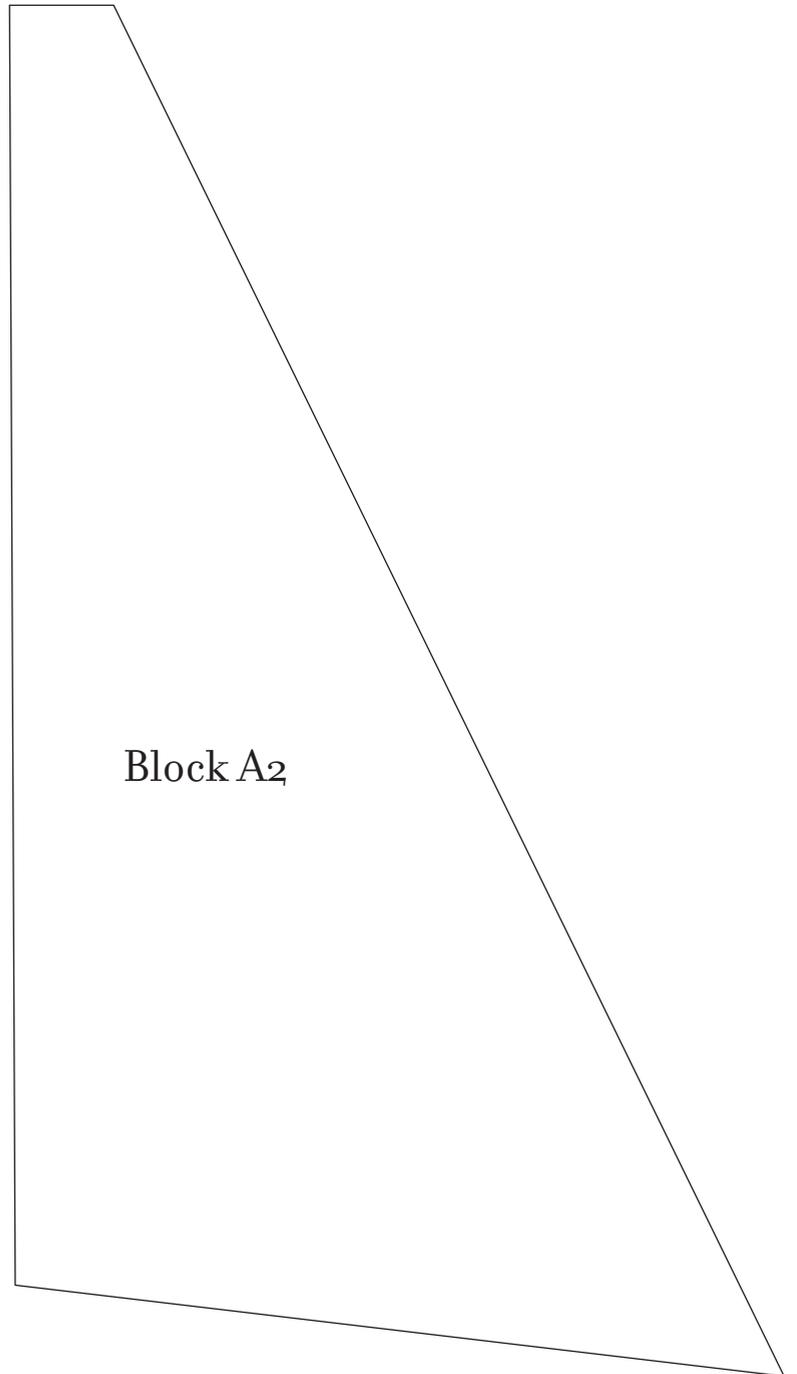
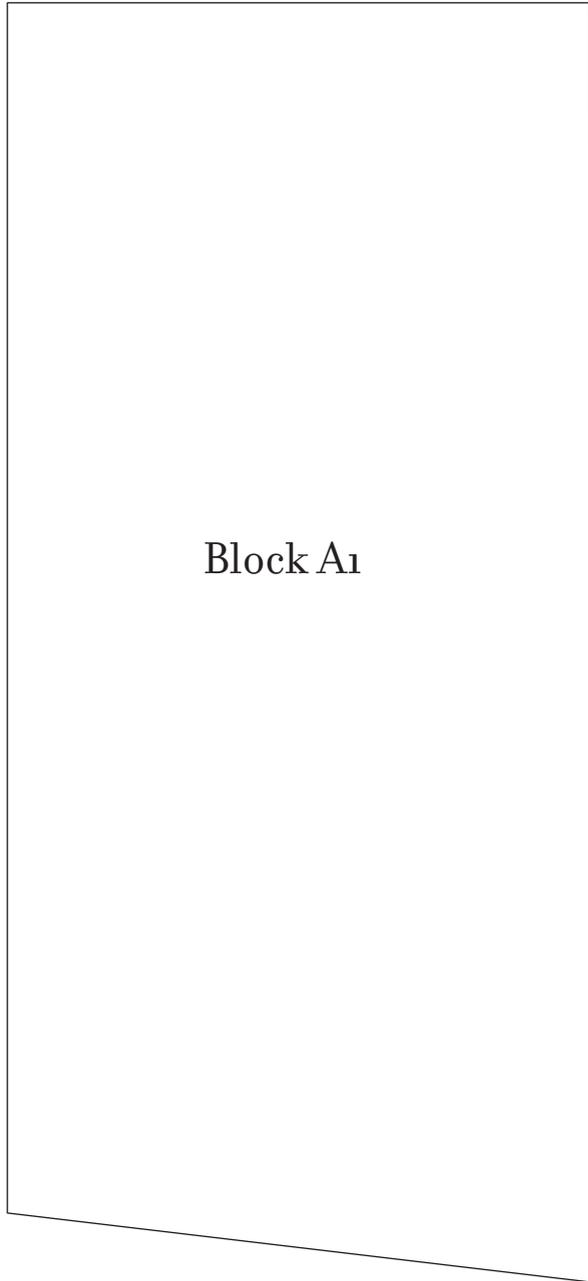
Note: The block is oversized to accommodate for any shrinkage from the embroidery.

4. Place the sampler block on top of the 20" x 20" cotton flannel square. Pin. Machine baste the block horizontally, vertically, and diagonally. Baste around the 18 1/2" square marked on the block.

You are now ready to add Embroidery Stitches to your Sampler block.



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Block A3

Block A4

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