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Grape Twist

Skill Level: Beginner



Finished size: 84" x 108"

Block Size: 12"

Requirements:

FQ Group One (the 'hot' colours): one fat quarter each of COTT03, COTT04, COTT05, COTT10, COTT09, COTT11, COTT33, COTT43, COTT45, COTT46

FQ Group Two (the 'cool' colours): one fat quarter each of COTT06, COTT07, COTT22, COTT28, COTT29, COTT47, COTT49, COTT50, COTT52

Colourshott Mist Cott32: 2.5 m (by half a width for kits, but full width for Felicia)

Grape Cott19: 5.6m for quilt top.

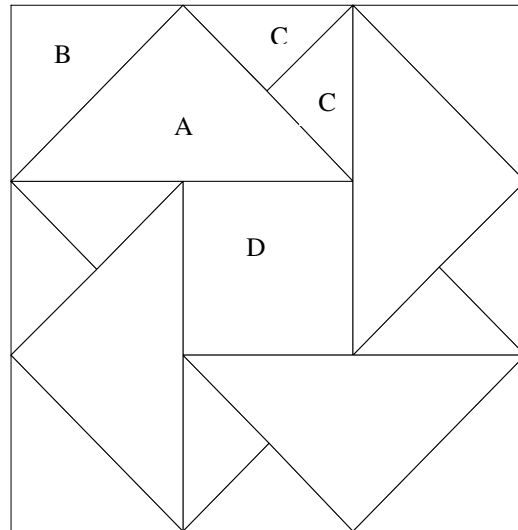
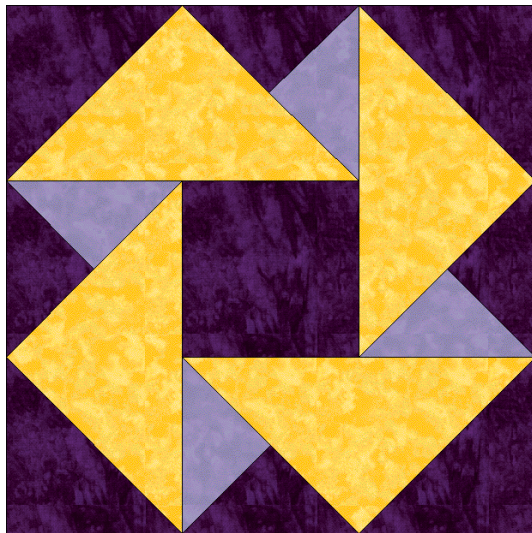
Backing: Grape Cott19: 5.75m

Bindings: Long 0.25m cut across width of the following four colours: COTT05, COTT09, COTT10, COTT46


Wadding, 3" larger in both directions than finished quilt top measurement.


Preparation: Cut a long strip 24" x 110" from lengthwise grain of Grape Cott19 fabric, label it 'borders', and set aside for use later.


Star Block: (Make 17)



Rotary Cutting measurements:

A:  Cut 9 1/4" x 9 1/4" and cut twice diagonally

B:  Cut 4 7/8" x 4 7/8" and cut once diagonally

C:  Cut 5 ¼" x 5 ¼" and cut twice diagonally

D: Cut 4 ½" x 4 ½"

Alternate blocks: Cut 12 ½" x 12 ½"

Cutting:

For each block, rotary cut

Grape Cott19: 4B, 4C, 1D

One 'hot' colour from FQ Group One: 4A

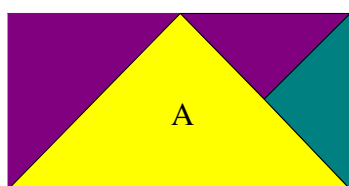
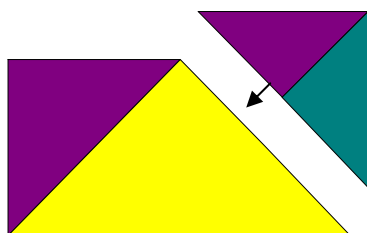
One 'cool' colour from FQ Group Two: 4C

Most fabrics will be used twice.

Piecing:

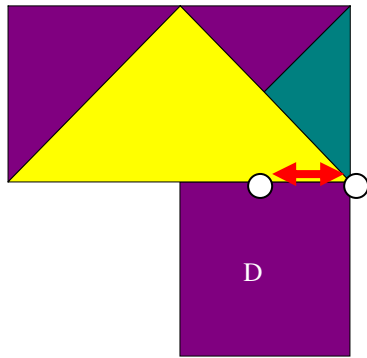
All seams ¼"

For each block, make four matching A/B/C/C units:



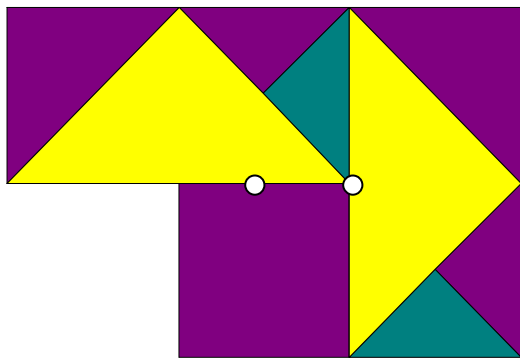
Press seam allowances away from A.

2. Attach piece D to first unit, stitching between two white dots in diagram below, as indicated by red arrow. Leave first inch (approx) of seam open. Press seam allowances away from patch D.

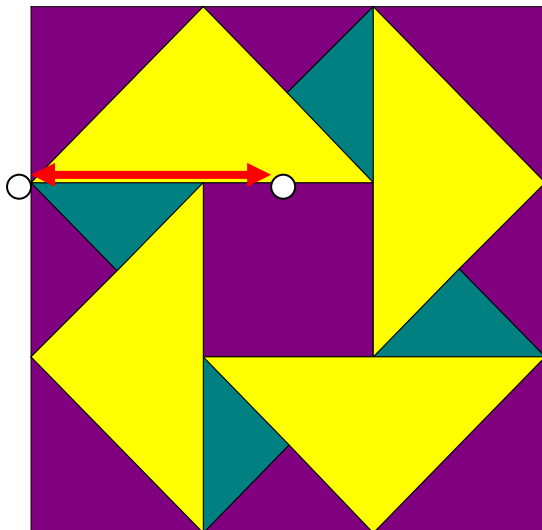


Stitch between dots

3. Add 2nd unit, stitching along entire length of seam. Press seam allowances away from patch D.



4. Add 3rd and 4th units in same manner. Finish by stitching final seam closed, as illustrated by the red arrow in the diagram below. Press.



Joining Centre Panel Blocks:

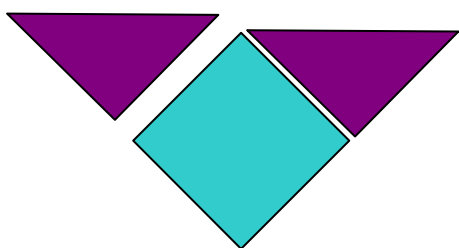
Following diagram on first page, arrange 17 star blocks alternately with the 18 plain Grape blocks, distributing colours evenly. Join blocks into seven rows. Press. Join rows. Press. Measure panel. Panel should measure 60.5" x 84.5".

Borders:

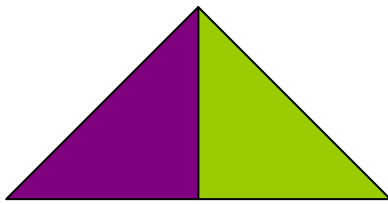
1. Add 3" wide (Cut 3.5" wide from piece set aside earlier) Grape Cott19 borders with butted (not mitred) corners. Cut borders to exact length and width required. Ease to fit. Measure panel.
2. Add 3" wide Mist Cott32 borders. Cut Mist borders wider than the necessary 3.5" wide cut. Cut lengths exactly as needed. Add top and bottom borders. Add side borders. Measure panel. Trim quilt panel to exactly 72.5" wide by 96.5" high.

(Note: It's important that the 72.5" x 96.5" measurement is accurate. The next border is pieced. Use the Grape and Thai Blue borders to compensate for any discrepancies in measurement. Small adjustments in these plain borders won't show.)

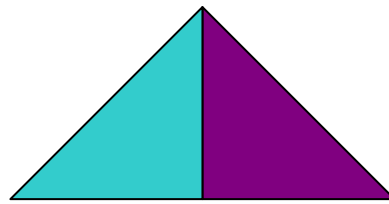
3. The pieced border.
 - a. Cutting. From 'hot' colours, FQ Group One, cut a total of 42 A. (These are the same size as template A used in blocks.) From 'cool' colours, FQ Group Two, cut a total of 8C and 38 E (template at end of instructions). From Grape Cott19, cut 4D and 84C.
 - b. Piecing. Join two Grape C to each 'cool' E.



- e. Join four pairs of C triangles with Grape colour on the left and four pairs of C triangles with Grape colour on the right, as per diagram below.



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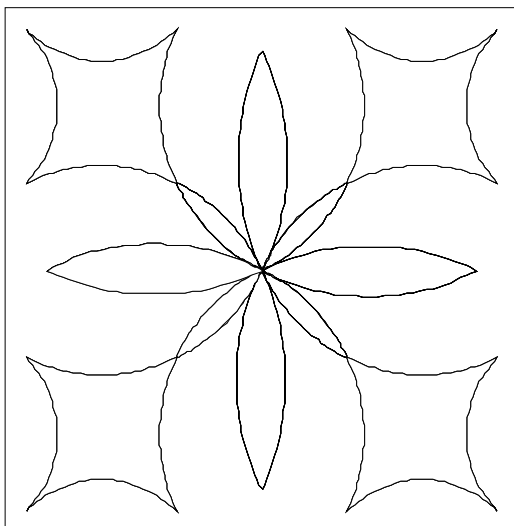
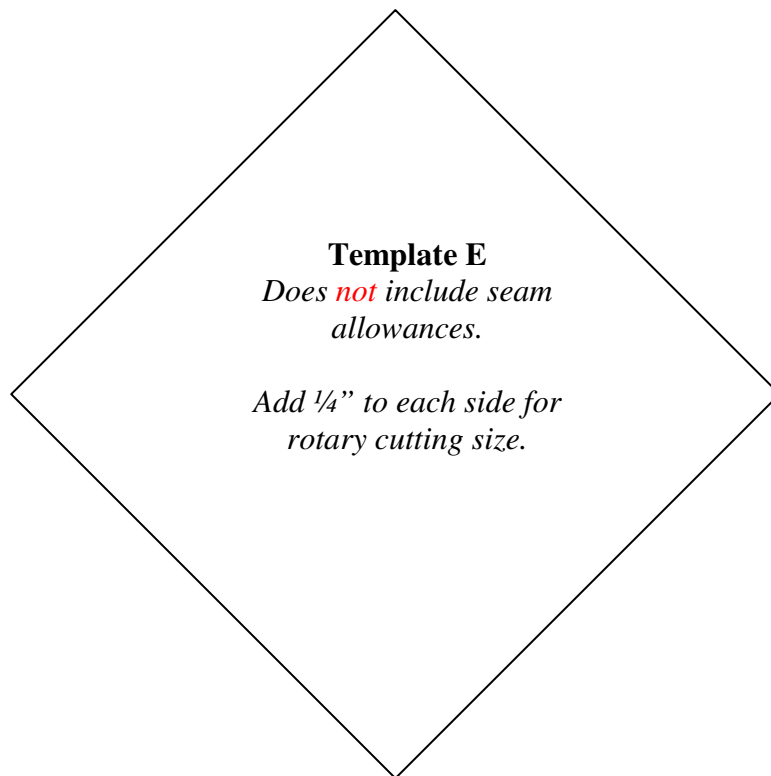


x 4

- f. Using main picture of quilt as a guide, join 'hot' triangle A's to pieced triangle units to form pieced borders.
 - g. Attach top and bottom borders to quilt.
 - h. Join Grape D patches to ends of side borders. Join to quilt top.
 - i. Press
4. Cut four 2" wide Grape Cott19 plain borders and add to each of the four sides, starting with the top and bottom. Press seam allowances outward. Trim to exactly 1.25" from seam line (or triangle tips).

Finishing the Quilt:

1. Piece Grape Cott19 backing to correct size (approx. 87" x 110")
2. Layer backing and quilt top with wadding.
Machine or hand quilt, as desired. A suggested quilting pattern for plain blocks follows these instructions.
3. Bind with four different 'hot' colours, one colour per side. Use narrow, single 1/4" binding, joining lengths as necessary.



This is the quilting pattern for the plain Grape 12" blocks. It is a continuous line design. It can be stitched either free motion with a darning foot or by using a straight stitch with an even feed foot. The 6" square design below is one quarter of the design. Use this to mark the blocks for quilting.

