

PAPERLESS PAPER PIECING

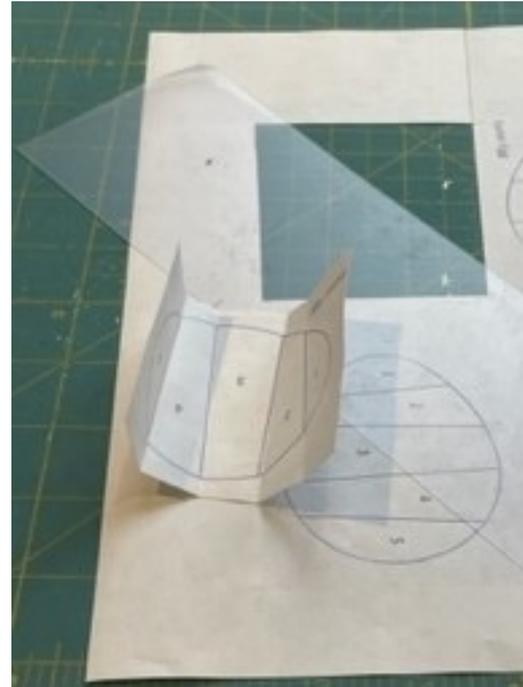
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SUPPLIES NEEDED

- Add a quarter ruler
- Small grid ruler such as Creative grids ruler 3.5 x 12.5, larger rulers for fabric cutting
- 3" x 6" piece of plastic template material
- Thread, pins, sewing machine
- Rotary cutter, mat and scissors
- Small iron and mat at work station might be handy
- Use of #10 Bernina foot, or an edge-stitch foot by another manufacturer, or a quarter inch foot, or the #5 Bernina or the blind-stitch foot by another manufacturer may be used.
- I use a printable Freezer paper, such as Kim Diehl's Best Appliqué Freezer Paper for template making. It is in 8.5 x 11" sheets that fits into your printer; as well as it lasts longer than your typical butcher freezer paper.

PROCEDURE

1. I used the paperless piecing method to create this example. Because you are not tearing the paper, the templates can be used over and over again.
2. Use the pattern you're interested in and print it on the non-shiny side of a piece of freezer paper.
3. Number your template SECTIONS and indicate fabric selection to speed the piecing. Cut your template out. Fold on the seam lines to help guide your sewing.



PROCEDURE CONTINUED

Cut your fabric strips the width of piece plus $\frac{1}{2}$ " for seam allowance



PROCEDURE CONTINUED

1. Place the #1 fabric right side up with wrong side to waxy side of paper and press.



2. Fold back your template with your plastic template material and take your add a quarter and cut #1 fabric away.

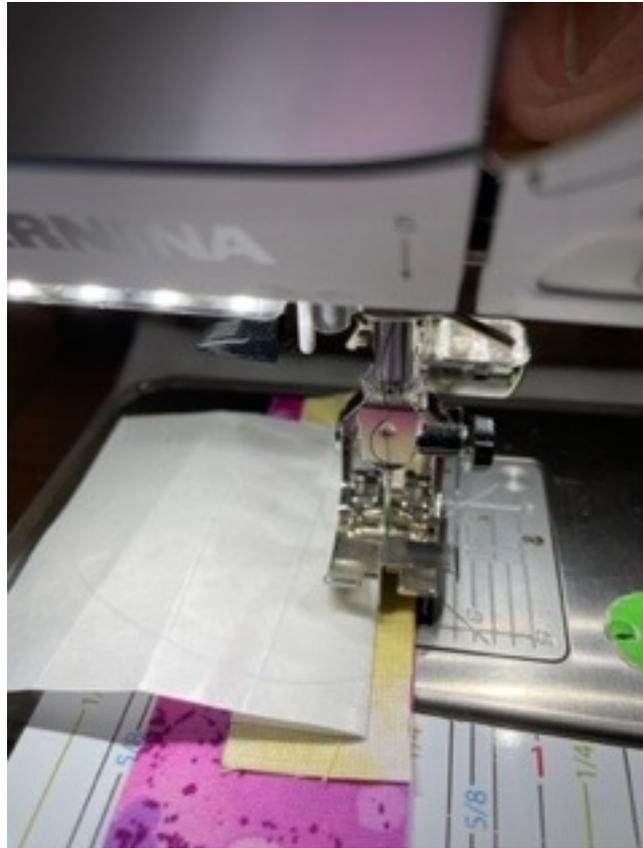
3. You now have a quarter inch seam allowance.



PROCEDURE CONTINUED

1. Add #2 fabric right sides together and line up with quarter inch of your first fabric.

2. Sew close to the folded edge of the paper. I use the Bernina Foot # 10 or the Edgestitch Foot. If you are careful one can use their #37-quarter inch foot or the #5 Blindstich foot. What is important is the stitching needs to be as close as possible to the folded freezer paper.



PROCEDURE CONTINUED

1. Trim 1 and 2 using your 1/4" add-a-quarter, to 1/4". then fold the second piece out and press the seam.
2. This will also secure your second piece to the template.
3. Watch your Iron! So it doesn't get gummed upped.
4. Keep doing this until you have completed your project.
5. Carefully peel the freezer paper template and reuse.
6. I have used the freezer paper templates up to 6 times with little problem



PROCEDURE CONTINUED

Trim your project, making sure you have a quarter inch seam allowance if needed.

