**Step 2:** Match and glue the raw edges together. Begin at the (RP) Point A, where Unit A & Unit B join and work back towards the end Point B.

**Step 3:** Flip the unit over and glue the remaining edges from point A to Point C.

**Step 4:** Once the raw edges are pinned and glued, position the fabric units at your machine with Units A, B, and C on top next to the presser foot and Units D & E next to the feed dogs. Start sewing at Point A, where Unit A & Unit B join and sew to the end shown as Point B.

**Step 5:** Flip the leaf fabrics over again, position Units D and E on top next to the presser foot and Units A, B, & C next to the feed dogs. Start sewing at Point A and sew to the end shown as Point C.

**Step 6:** Press the seams in, towards the Vein.

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**QUILTING**

Place both leaves onto the 7/8 yard backing. We also recommend Hobbs 80/20 batting. To quilt the leaves, we simply outlined the spikes and stitched the veins in the ditch. Quilt the leaves, then trim the excess backing and batting away before adding the binding.

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**BINDING**

In Bag #6 you should have (2) 9” by 42” strips set aside for your binding. One strip was cut from Accent Fabric C1, the other was cut from Background Fabric C2. Cut (8) 2-1/4” bias strips from each fabric. A 45 degree quilting ruler should be used to assure accuracy of your bias strips. Four strips are sewn together to complete enough length for each edge, the seams are pressed open, and the strips are pressed in half the length of the strip. Two strip sets are made from each light and dark fabric as there are two leaves.

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**Dark Binding Edge**

**Step 1:** The dark binding strip is sewn along the edge of Units A, B, & C. Your machine should be set to sew a 1/4” seam allowance at this time.

**Step 2:** Once sewn, fold the binding over the raw edge of the leaf. Match the folded edge up with the 1/4” stitching line on the backside of the leaf and glue the binding in place along the stitching line. The finished width should measure about 3/8” wide.

**Step 3:** Trim off the binding strips at both ends to match your leaf.

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**Light Binding Edge**

**Step 1:** Extra binding is needed at the top and bottom of the leaf on Units D & E. About 1-1/2” is needed at the tip of the leaf and 4” is needed at the bottom of the leaf to finish the ends. The stitching begins at the beginning of the bias strip at the top of the leaf and ends at the end of the binding strip on the bottom of the leaf.

**Step 2:** When you are done sewing press the binding flat along the edge of the leaf.

**Step 3:** Folding the tip of the binding strip to the inside of your binding is very much like folding the tip on a paper airplane.

1. Fold the tip of the binding down.
2. Fold both corners down to meet in the center.
3. Fold the edge together to finish your tips.

**NOTE - Angle Considerations for a Thin Tip:** The angle of the fold can be adjusted to change the angle of the tip.

**Step 4:** Press the folded tip with your stem iron. For a flatter tip, reopen the fold and trim away some of the excess fabric.

**Step 5:** Once you are happy with the folded tip, press and glue the binding in place by matching the folded edge up to the stitch line.

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**Finishing the Stem**

**Step 6:** At the end of the stem, looking at the last four inches, the folded edge of the binding is folded back and matched up with the stitch line. Glue down, then sew shut. The raw edges on the end of the stem are folded into finishing the end.