CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS: BAG #2, BORDER UNITS

Two mirrored templates shaped like a parallelogram are used when cutting the fabric pieces for the border units.

The DR Template is used to cut the template pieces for the DR Unit. The DR Units are for the side borders.

The DL Template is used to cut the template pieces for the DL Unit. The DL Units are for the top & bottom borders.

The CP Units are used to finish the two corners. There are no templates for this unit. Fabric strips cut 2-1/2" wide from your border fabrics are cut for both units.

You should have (21) dark fabrics set aside for the border units. One strip is cut from each color. Each strip yields between (6 to 8) pieces. The number of strips required to complete the border will depend on the number of fabrics you use and the number of times each color is you repeated.

The following instructions are calculated to complete the border shown on the cover using fabrics measuring a minimum of 42" wide.

Step 1: Cut (1) 6-1/2" by 42" strip from each of the (21) dark fabrics used in the center of the quilt.

Step 2: Choose (16) of the (21) strips. (Set the remaining strips aside.) Cut each strips in half on the fold line. This will give you (2) 6-1/2" by 21" pieces from each of the (16) colors.

Step 3: Restack the strips into (2) groups of (16) pieces. One strip from each color is placed facing right-side-up in each group. The DR Template is used to cut the pieces in Group 1. The DL Template is used to cut the pieces in Group 2.

Step 4: Place the DR Templates facing right-side-up onto the fabric in Group 1. Cut (3) pieces from each fabric. Place these pieces with the Unit DR Foundation Papers in Bag #2.

Step 5: Place the DL Templates facing right-side-up onto the fabric in Group 2. Cut (3) pieces from each fabric. Place these pieces with the Unit DL Foundation Papers in Bag #2.

Step 6: Open and stack the remaining (5) strips right-side-up into one pile. Use the DR Template and cut (2) additional pieces from each strip. Place these pieces with the DR Units.

Step 7: The remaining fabric strips are cut in half lengthwise. These strips are sewn onto the CP Units. Place these pieces in Bag #2.

Border Unit Color Layout

The fabric pieces are prearranged flowing from one color into another around the center quilt top.

The colors in Groups 1-11 are not necessarily repeated in the same order as the colors in Groups 12-22.

After you are satisfied with the color arrangement for the border pieces layout the colors for the CP Units. You may need to rearrange some of the fabric pieces on the DL & DR Units to achieve an even transition of color between the CP Units and the DR & DL Units.

The single template pieces at the ends on the top and bottom borders are the last pieces sewn onto the strips. These pieces are used to adjust the width if needed to fit your quilt.