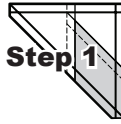


Template SS-1 shown in the wrong location. Ignore the sew sides on these Templates and with future printings, we will correct the labeling. Simply position the Templates as shown in the Stacking Graphics shown previously.

PAPER PIECING UNIT SSL, BAG #B1

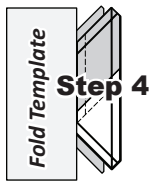
Step 1: Place Unit SSL *right-side-up* onto your table.

NOTE - Tracing the Dashed Lines: Place the foundation paper onto a light table. Flip the foundation paper over and trace the dashed lines printed on the front side of the foundation paper, onto the backside of the paper.



Step 2: Find Sec. 1 on the foundation paper. Place a small amount of fabric glue on the *backside* of the paper under Sec. 1.

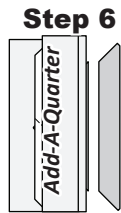
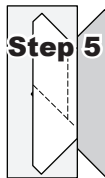
Step 3: Position the first piece of fabric for Sec. 1 *wrong-side-up* on your table. Lift the foundation paper, slide the fabric under Sec. 1 and glue the fabric to the backside of the paper. Steps 2 and 3 are repeated for each foundation unit before moving onto Step 4.



NOTE - Fabric Placement: The *wrong-side* of the fabric is against the backside of the paper. The fabric must extend beyond the edges of the dashed lines to cover the underneath side of Sec. 1.

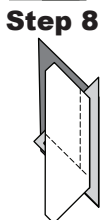
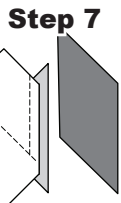
Step 4: Place the fold template over the top of Sec. 1. Line the edge up with the solid black line marked Line 1.

Step 5: Then, fold the paper back over the top of the fold template.



Step 6: Place the *Add-A-Quarter* ruler next to the folded back section lip-side down and trim the fabric with your rotary cutter.

Step 7: Place the fabric piece for Sec. 2, *right-side-up* next to the folded back paper as shown.

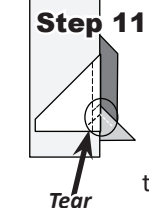


Step 8: Lift the foundation paper, slide the fabric under Sec. 2 lining the sew-side up with the trimmed seam allowance. Make sure the fabric extends beyond the boundaries of the dashed lines for Sec. 2.

NOTE - Chain Piecing: Repeat steps 4-8 for each foundation paper before moving onto Step 9.

Step 9: Sew on Line 1. The stitches should start and stop along the edge of the paper. Starting and stopping along the edge of the paper makes it possible to cut the thread ends off when you trim your papers. Complete the sewing on each Unit before moving onto the next step.

Step 10: Loosen the glue under Sec. 1. Then press the fabric on the backside of each paper.

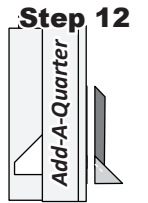


Step 11: Position the fold template over the top of Sections 1 and 2, lining the edge up with Line 2. Fold the paper back and tear the paper along the stitches on Line 1. Stop tearing when you hit the fold template.

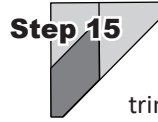
Step 12: Use the *Add-A-Quarter* ruler to trim the excess fabric.



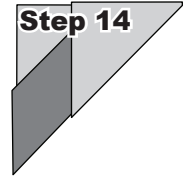
Step 13: Then, place the third fabric next to the foundation paper. Lift the foundation unit on top, lining up the sew-side with the trimmed seam allowance.



Step 14: Take the pieces to your machine, sew on Line 2, open and press.

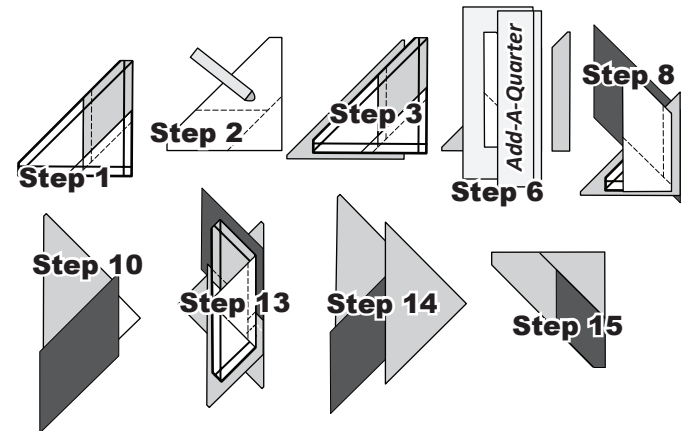


Step 15: Trim around the outside edge of each of the Unit SSL pieces. Make sure to trim the Smart Corners to help with easy placement and elimination of dog ears as you sew the pieces together. The paper is not removed at this time. Place all of the SSL Units back into Bag #B1.



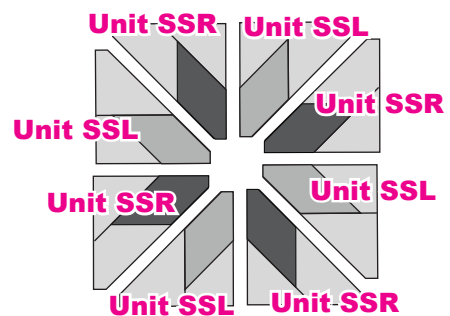
Paper Piecing Unit SSR

Unit SSR is completed identically to Unit SSL. It is simply a mirror image. A few graphics, including stacking and several paper piecing steps are shown to help you get started. They are numbered according to the paper piecing instructions for Unit SSL. When finished, trim around the perimeter of the foundation paper on the solid exterior line. Remember to trim the Smart Corners! Place the pieces back into Bag #B2.



ASSEMBLY FOR GROUP B

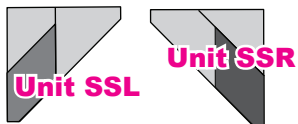
The final step for Group B is to sew the triangles together to create a star. The graphics shown from this point forward are shown from the Front Side of the blocks.



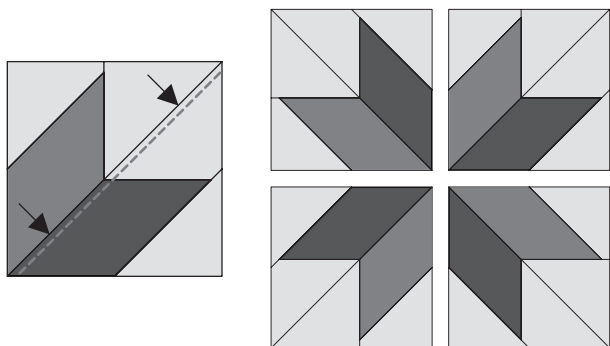
Step 1: Set your sewing machine to sew a 1/4" seam.

Step 2: Remove the papers from the back of Units SSL and Units

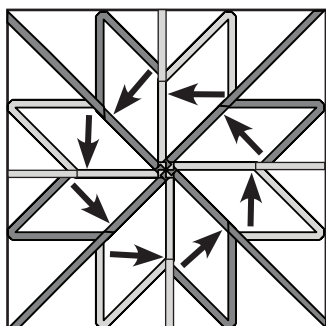
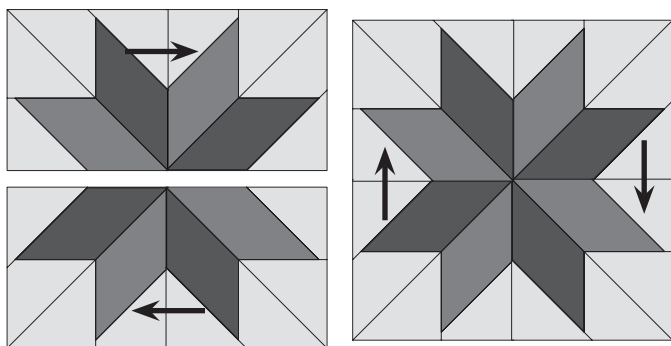
SSR. To remove the papers, begin with the paper covering the last section that was sewn on. Tear the paper away along the seam line. Continue in this manner through Sec. 1 until all the papers are removed. Place the SSL triangles into one stack and the SSR triangles into the other stack.



Step 3: Sew (1) SSL to (1) SSR, completing (8) pairs for each placemat you are making (for a total of (32) pairs if you are making (4) placemats). Press the seam towards Unit SSL.



Step 4: Complete (8) 4-patch blocks of the SSL/SSR Pairs. Press the seams clockwise from the front, counter-clockwise on the back. Reference the tweaking graphic for more information on how to manage the seams at the center of the block. You will need to clip back a few hidden seams to get the pieces to lie down in the hexagon block shown below.



Tweaking Graphic: View from the Back-side, Seams will Press Counter-Clockwise.

GROUP C GENERAL INFORMATION FOUNDATION PAPERS AND TEMPLATES

Ziploc Storage Bags: You will need (1) bag to complete the organization for Group C.

- Bag #C1: Fabric Strips for the 1" Finished size (1-1/2" cut) Background Strip

► Preparing the Foundation Papers:

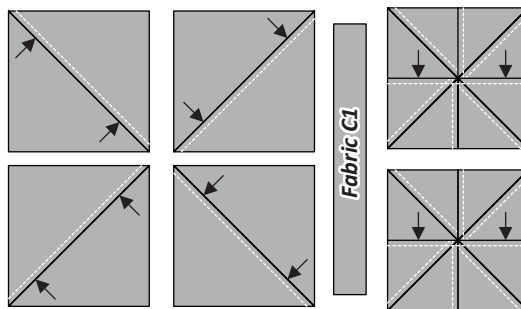
NOTE - Foundation Papers: There are no foundation papers needed for this Group. A 1-1/2" x 12" Creative Grids ruler makes this a very easy step to complete. However, it is not required. Strips can be cut without the ruler as well.

► Background Strip Fabric Information:

The table below includes yardage and fabric references for Group C. This table is your guide for staying organized. Don't forget to cut a swatch of your chosen fabric to paste in the box in the Assigned Colors column! Reference the Color Layout below for where the fabric goes.

Group C: Background Strip, Cut (4) each		
GROUP-C FABRIC #	YARDAGE INCH	ASSIGNED COLOR
Fabric C1 <u>1-1/2" x 12" Creative Grids Ruler, if desired</u>	<u>3/8 yd</u> or 12-1/2"	FABRIC SWATCH

► Group C: Color Layout (Front-side)

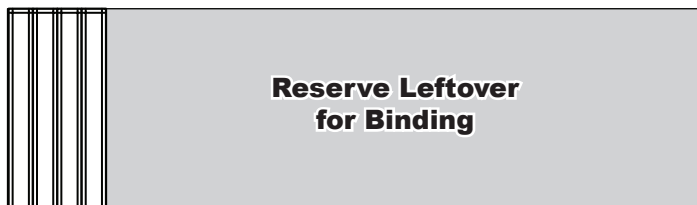


CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS, BAGS #C1

► Fabric C1

Step 1: From Fabric C1, cut (1) 12-1/2" x 42" strip and place *right-side-up* on your cutting table.

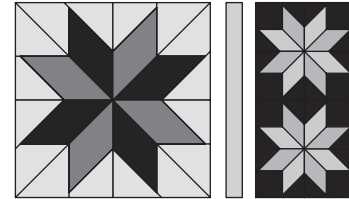
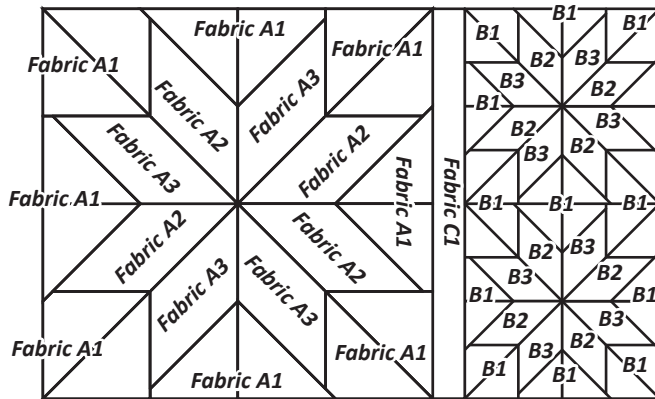
Step 2: Use the 1-1/2" x 12" Creative Grids Ruler to cut (4) 1-1/2" x 12" strips. If you do not have the ruler, you can simply measure these dimensions and cut (4) strips to the recommended size.



Step 3: Reserve the leftover fabric to be used for Binding, if desired.

MY TWO BABY SISTER PLACEMAT FABRIC REFERENCES

If you have used Quiltster to create your own color layout, fabric references are included in the program that tell you which fabric numbers apply to which pieces in the quilt. This makes a seamless tie back to the pattern. Use this drawing and the Unit Chart earlier in the pattern, along with Quiltster to plan your color for this project. To see what it will look like before you make your final fabric selection, use Quiltster!



Color Hints:

- LARGE STAR
- (1) 10-1/4" Strip makes (2) Large Star Background A1
- (1) 5" Strip makes (2) Large Stars Accent A2
- (1) 5" Strip makes (2) Large Stars Accent A3
- SMALL STAR
- (1) 7" Strip makes (3) Small Star Background B1
- (1) 2-1/2" Strip makes (2) Small Stars Accent B2
- (1) 2-1/2" Strip makes (2) Small Stars Accent B3

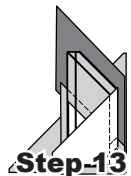
If you choose to make your (4) Placemats different colors (or if you choose to make (5) placemats instead of (4) since there are enough papers in this pattern to do so), you will need to use the above information to recalculate your yardage. Quiltster will help you accomplish that as well.

On the cover placemats, we used leftover strips from the three fabrics selected to create the binding. This is up to you. If you do not use the leftovers, you will need to have (2) 2-1/2" x 42" strips for each placemat, or a total yardage of 20" (5/8 Yard).

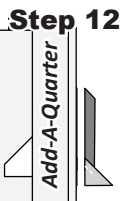
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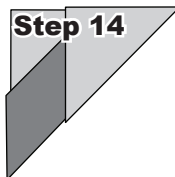
Step 12: Use the *Add-A-Quarter* ruler to trim the excess fabric.



Step 13: Then, place the third fabric next to the foundation paper. Lift the foundation unit on top, lining up the sew-side with the trimmed seam allowance.



Step 14: Take the pieces to your machine, sew on Line 2, open and press.

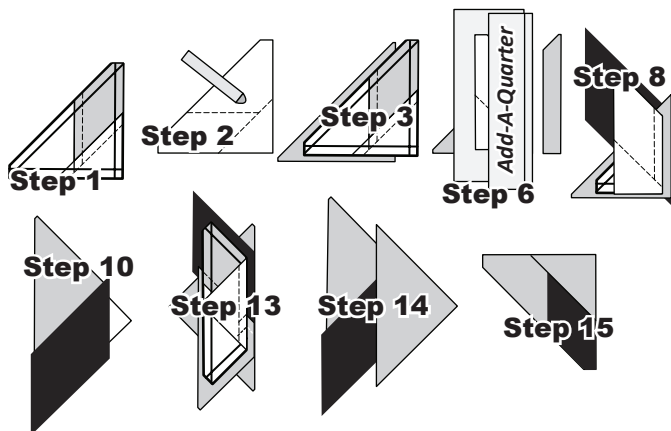


Step 15: Trim around the outside edge of each of the Unit LSL pieces. Make sure to trim the Smart Corners to help with easy placement and elimination

of dog ears as you sew the pieces together. The paper is not removed at this time. Place all of the LSL Units back into Bag #A1.

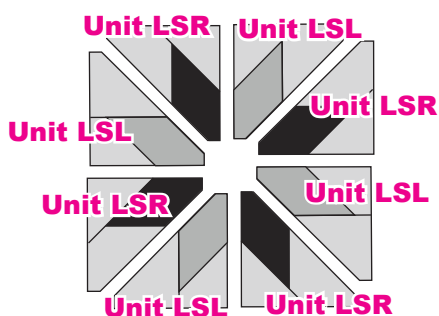
► Paper Piecing Unit LSR

Unit LSR is completed identically to Unit LSL. It is simply a mirror image. A few graphics, including stacking and several paper piecing steps are shown to help you get started. They are numbered according to the paper piecing instructions for Unit LSL. When finished, trim around the perimeter of the foundation paper on the solid exterior line. Remember to trim the Smart Corners! Place the pieces back into Bag #A2.



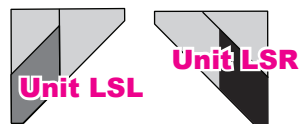
ASSEMBLY FOR GROUP A

The final step for Group A is to sew the triangles together to create a star. The graphics shown from this point forward are shown from the Front Side of the blocks.

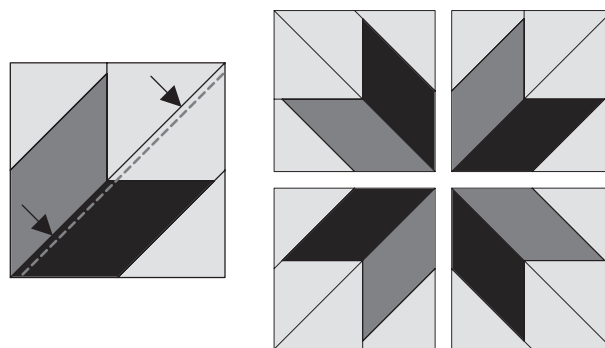


Step 1: Set your sewing machine to sew a 1/4" seam.

Step 2: Remove the papers from the back of Units LSL and Units LSR. To remove the papers, begin with the paper covering the last section that was sewn on. Tear the paper away along the seam line. Continue in this manner through Sec. 1 until all the papers are removed. Place the LSL triangles into one stack and the LSR triangles into the other stack.



Step 3: Sew (1) LSL to (1) LSR, completing (4) pairs for each placemat you are making (for a total of (16) pairs if you are making (4) placemats). This completes a 6" Square block (6-1/2" Square unfinished size). Press the seam towards Unit LSL. The rest of the Assembly will be completed in the Assembly Instructions.



GROUP B GENERAL INFORMATION FOUNDATION PAPERS AND TEMPLATES

Ziploc Storage Bags: You will need (2) bags to complete the organization for the Units in Group B.

- Bag #B1: (32) ea. Unit SSL Papers and Cutting Templates
- Bag #B2: (32) ea. Unit SSR Papers and Cutting Templates

► Preparing the Foundation Papers:

Step 1: Cut out (32) Unit SSL and SSR [NP 196 and TP 95] along with the associated Template Layout Sheets [TP 95]. See the newsprint graphics that follow for information on how to organize your units and templates into bags.

NOTE - *Refer back to General Information for Foundation papers and templates for additional instructions on how to prepare your foundation papers and templates.

► (1) NP 196

