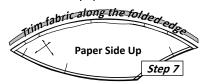
Step 6: The paper is folded back along the edge of the basting stitch as shown. You may need to tear the paper as well in a couple places to get it to fold back.



Step 7: Use the rotary cutter and trim off the excess fabric (1/4") along the folded back paper on the basting stitch line. Do not trim off the folded back paper.



Step 8: In Bag #3, you should have **(8)** 1-1/2" by 32" strips cut from Fabric A7.

Step 9: Flip the paper over and position the leaf *fabric-side-up*. Press the folded back paper flat. Locate the basting stitches along the *Basting Stitch Line* sewn in Step 4 along the top of the leaf.



Step 10: Use your glue pen and run a small strip of glue (about 1/8" wide) along the *Basting Stitch Line* on the *right-side* of the fabric. Using the Basting Stitch Line as your guide, pin and glue the edge of the bias strip along the Basting Stitches, fabrics facing *right-sides-together*.

Step 11: After the raw edges are glued together, the pieces are pressed and steamed until the vein fabric lies flat. *Refer to graphic above.

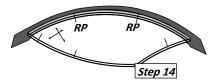
Step 12: Flip the leaf, *paper-side-up*. The pieces are stitched together on the sew line, referenced as Line 2 Sew Line.



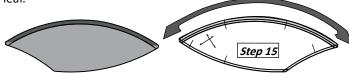
Step 13: Flip each unit over, *fabric-side-up* and repress the bias strip, so it covers the edge of the paper, leaving it flat along the top edge of the leaf. You may need to use a little steam to get it to lay down.



Step 14: Turn the paper back over and stitch the two *(RP).......* lines along the top edge of the leaf. (Adjust Stitch Length).



Step 15: After the *(RP) Lines* are sewn, the excess fabric is trimmed on the *dashed line* along the top edge to complete your leaf



ASSEMBLE UNITS A1, A2, A3

Unit A1, A2, and A3 are assembled at this time to complete the leaf. Follow the steps as the instructions will tell you what paper to remove, which units to sew, and which way to press the seams.

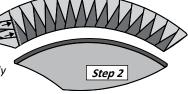
Step 1: The foundation papers are removed at this time from the A1 and A2 Units. The foundation paper should remain on the backside of Unit A3.

NOTE - Refer to Page 25 for information on how to remove the paper. In the process of removing the paper make sure you do not pull out any of the basting stitches on the RP Lines. The RP Basting stitches are not removed until all the curved piecing is completed when you sew the whole quilt top together.

Step 2: The A1 Units are sewn onto the A2 Units. The seam is pressed facing towards Unit A2. Follow the arrows with your pressing.

NOTE - Smart Corners:

If you trimmed your smart corners the pieces should fit perfectly leaving you with no dog ears.



► Curved Piecing (Units A1 and A2, to Unit A3)

NOTE - Machine Settings: Set your machine to sew a quarter-inch seam allowance before you begin the curved piecing.

Step 3: Position **Unit A2** onto the top of **Unit A3** with *right-sides-together*. Match and pin the smart corners at each end, weaving the pin through both pieces. Return to the center of the arc and place a pin at each (RP) point.

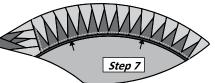
Step 4: Using a glue pen, dab a small amount of glue along the perimeter of the convex edge of **Unit A3**, quickly shape, and match the curved edges together before the glue dries.

NOTE - Papers: The foundation papers are removed from Unit A3 before sewing the seam.

Step 5: Position the pieces at your machine,

Unit A2 on top, next to the presser foot, **Unit A3** on the bottom next to the feed dogs.

Step 6: Sew the pieces together. Press the seam towards **Unit A2**.



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