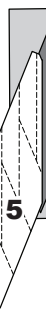


Step 5: Lift the paper, and slide the fabric under Sec. 1, line the sew-side up with the trimmed seam allowance. Repeat **Steps 1-5** for each foundation paper before moving onto Step 6.

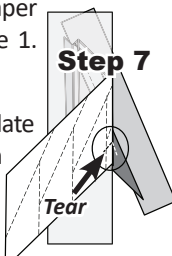
Step 5



Step 6: Sew on Line 1. Complete the sewing on each Unit before moving onto the next step. Loosen the glue under Sec. 2, and press the fabric on the backside of each paper.

Step 7: 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.

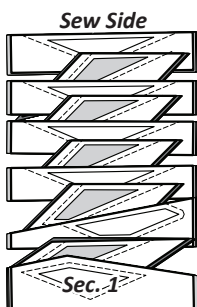
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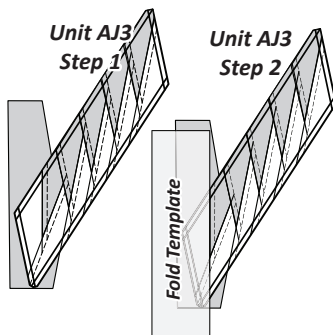
Repeat Step 3-7: Continue adding the template pieces to each section on the foundation units. When the paper piecing is completed, the excess fabric and paper is trimmed off around the perimeter of each unit.

UNIT AJ3, BAG #AJ3

Stacking: The stacking process is the same for the Unit AJ3 pieces.

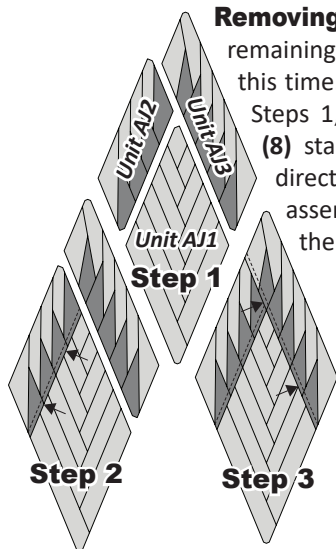


Foundation Piecing: The previous steps for Unit AJ2 are repeated to complete the piecing for Unit AJ3.



ASSEMBLE THE UNITS

Removing the Foundation Paper: All the remaining foundation paper is removed at this time. The units are assembled following Steps 1, 2, and 3 to the left to complete (8) star points. Press the seams in the direction of the arrows. The stars are not assembled until final assembly, later in the instructions.



SHIMMERING STAR, UNIT AK INSTRUCTIONS

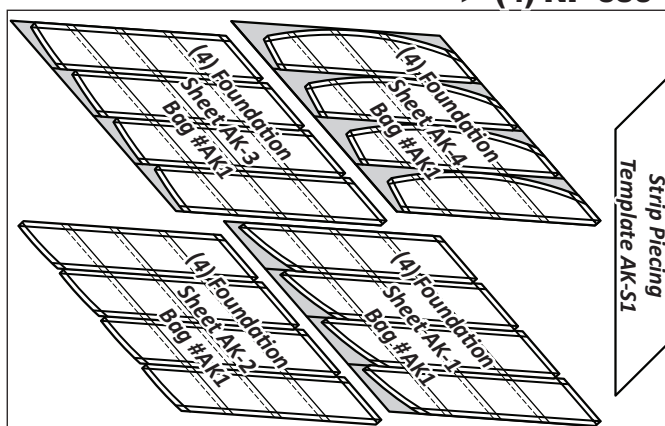
Ziploc Storage Bags: You will need (2) bags to complete the organization for these instructions.

- Bag #AK1: (4) of each Foundation Sheets AK1 to AK4
- Bag #AK2: (4) of each T-Template Layout Sheet #1 to #4

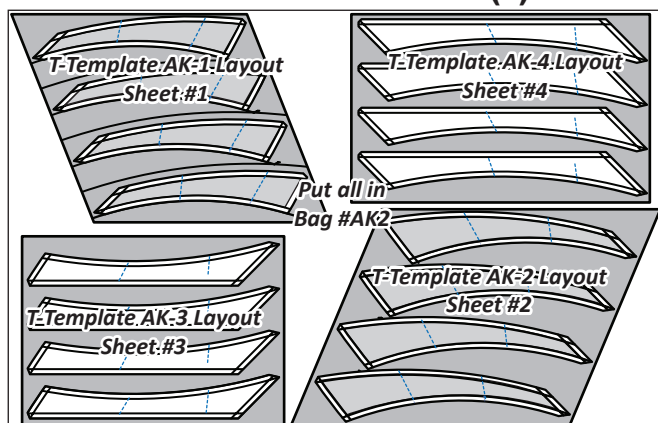
► Preparing the Foundation Papers:

Cut out (16) Unit AK Foundation Sheets AK-1 to AK-4 on [NP 630] and (4) each of the T-Template Sheets on [TP 444]. Place the Foundation Papers and Templates into their assigned Bag number. See the following newsprint graphics for the corresponding bag information. *Refer back to General Information for Foundation papers and templates for additional instructions on how to prepare your foundation papers and templates.

► (4) NP 630



► (4) TP 444



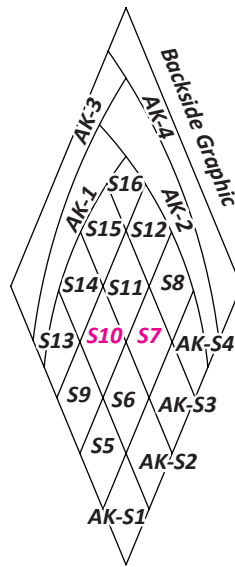
► Fabric Reference Information

We have named all of the matching diamonds with an identifier like AA to AZ so if you put more than one block in a quilt, it will be easier to keep them organized. This is the AK block.

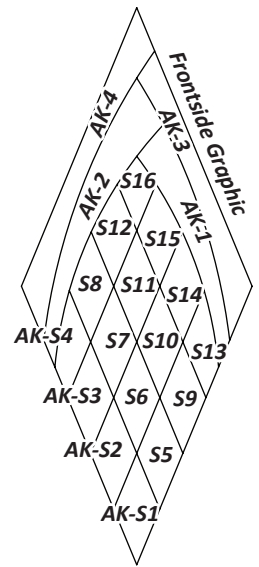
► Color Layout and Fabric Information:

Foundation Sheets AK-1 to AK-4, Fabrics AK-S1-S16: There are (16) single diamonds in one Diamond Block that sits at the center of Block AK. Each single diamond in the Diamond Block is assigned its own Fabric #AK-S1-S16. A Unit Block Fabric layout showing where each Fabric goes is provided on the next page. A Unit Chart that includes yardage, fabric numbers, and a reference

Block AK Yardage, Make (16)		
GROUP-AK FABRIC #	YARDAGE INCH	ASSIGNED COLOR
Fabric AK-S1 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S2 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S3 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S4 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S5 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S6 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S7 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S8 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S9 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S10 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S11 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S12 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S13 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S14 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S15 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK-S16 Strip Temp AK-1	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd or (5-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK1: Template AK-1 LS #1	$\frac{3}{4}$ yd or (23")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK2: Template AK-2 LS #2	$\frac{7}{8}$ yd or (27")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK3: Template AK-3 LS #3	$\frac{3}{8}$ yd or (13-1/2")	Fabric Swatch
Fabric AK4: Template AK-4 LS #4	$\frac{1}{2}$ yd or (15")	Fabric Swatch



Use the backside image for placing swatches on your Foundation Sheets. Use the Frontside image to plan your quilt!



to which fabrics go with the templates and (TLS) to complete the AK block is provided to the left. This table is your guide for not only selecting your own colors, but keeping you organized. Don't forget to cut a swatch of your chosen fabric to paste in the box in the Assigned Colors column in the table!

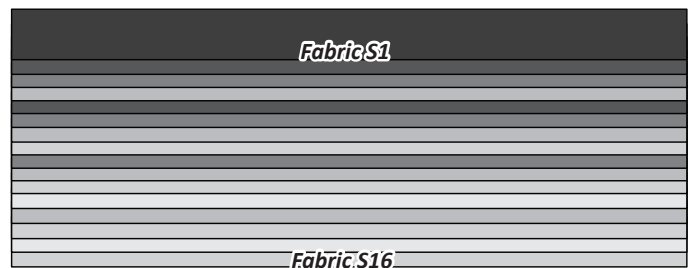
Fabrics AK1 to AK4: There are also (4) ribbon shaped strips around the inside diamond. These fabrics require the use of T-Template Layout Sheets and cutting information is provided in the following sections. Yardage for these fabrics is also included in the Unit Chart to the left and the locations of each, as they relate to the center star is shown in the color layout as well.

CUTTING AND STACKING INSTRUCTIONS

► Strip Cutting Instructions: Bag #AK1

You should have enough strips and paper to complete (16) Diamond Blocks. If you have not already done so, cut (2) 2-3/4" by 42" strips from each fabric assigned to AK-S1-S16 (the AK is dropped in the following instructions). A total of (32) strips are cut to make (16) of the same Diamond Block.

Step 1: Press and stack the strips across the width of the fabric into (2) stacks facing *right-side-up* in descending order starting with Fabric S16 on the bottom finishing with S1 on the top; (1) example of a stack is shown below.



Step 2: Position (2) of the *Strip Piecing Template AK-1* on top of the stack and use them to cut (2) pieces from each strip. If you are unable to cut through the (16) layers, divide the stacks into (2) groups. Repeat this with the second stack of strips.