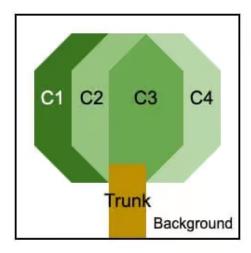
The Tree Quilt Block

This full and happy tree has 4 leaf fabrics, a trunk fabric and a background fabric.



Please make life easy for yourself and choose non-directional print fabrics (or solids) to make this block.

You can use scraps (or a 10"/layer cake square) for each of the tree fabrics.

For the background, you'll need a fat eighth or some larger scraps

Cutting Instructions

Cut the following pieces from your scraps/fabric:

C1, C2 and C4: 2 squares 3" x 3" and 1 rectangle 2-1/2" x 4-1/2"

C3: 1 square 4-1/2" x 4-1/2", 2 squares 3" x 3" and 1 rectangle 1-1/2 x 2-1/2"

Trunk: 1 rectangle 2-1/2" x 3-3/4" and 1 rectangle 1-1/2" x 2-1/2"

Background (BG): 2 rectangles 3-3/4" x 5-3/4", 2 squares 3" x 3",

1 rectangle 1-3/4" x 13" and 2 rectangles 1-3/4" x 8-1/2".

Sew the HSTs

HST method: Select two 3" squares. Use a pencil to draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of one of the squares and then place them right sides together. Sew a scant quarter inch from either side of the marked line. Cut on the drawn line to yield 2 HSTs. Press as directed and trim to 2-1/2" square.



Using the method shown above, pair the following 3" squares to make the required HST units:

1 BG and 1 C1 square to give 2 BG/C1 HSTs. Press toward C1.

- 1 C1 and 1 C2 square to give 2 C1/C2 HSTs. Press toward C2.
- 1 C2 and 1 C3 square to give 2 C2/C3 squares. Press toward C2. (One of these HSTs will be surplus.)
- 1 C3 and 1 C4 square to give 2 C3/C4 HSTs. Press toward C3.
- 1 C4 and 1 BG square to give 2 C4/BG HSTs. Press toward C4.

As mentioned in the HST method, trim all units to 2-1/2" square.

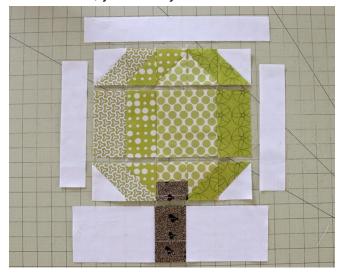
Sew the Trunk

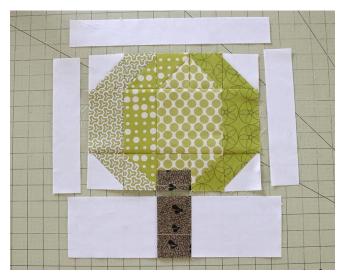
Sew the long edges of the $3-3/4" \times 2-1/2"$ trunk rectangle to one edge of each of the $3-3/4" \times 5-3/4"$ BG rectangles. Press both seams toward the trunk fabric.

Now sew the C3 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangle and trunk 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangle together along their longest edges. Press as preferred. You'll have a 2-1/2" square once sewn.

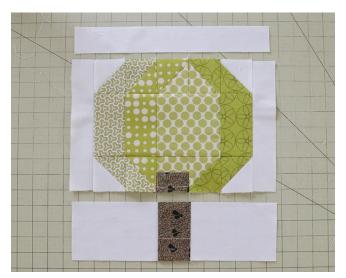
Lay Out the Tree Quilt Block

Now that you have the 9 required HST units (remember there is one surplus C2/C3 unit) and the two tree units, you can lay out the block as it needs to be sewn:





Now you can sew the three tree top rows together and press seams as preferred



Sew the side BG strips to each side of the tree top patchwork unit.

Then sew the top BG strip and bottom trunk unit in place. Be sure to nest the trunk seams.

Trim the block to 12-3/4" square.



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