

IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME QUILT – Pattern #103

Block #2 - Trees



NOTE: Go to DKohn Designs on YouTube to find the detailed how-to videos.

FINISHED BLOCK SIZE: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"

This is a Row Quilt. Make **(5)** Blocks total for Row #2. This Block has two versions because it is a row with off-set blocks. Make 3 Upper Trees and 2 Lower Trees. Detailed instructions are given below and on the video.

Do not sew the Blocks together yet! Sashing will be added to the blocks and rows in Week #8.

PATTERN NOTES: 1) Fabric requirements are for 10" squares and 40" – 42" WOF. 2) 1/4 inch seam is always used. 3) RST means right sides together. 3) Follow pressing directions to reduce bulk in the block. 4) Press and trim to unit dimensions as directed after every addition to the block for most accurate results.

MATERIALS LIST:

PRINT - 5 - 10" x 10" squares (1 per block)

BACKGROUND – 20 inches x WOF

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS: 1) Cut fabrics as indicated in the chart below. SEE FABRIC CUTTING SUBSTITUTIONS BELOW DEPENDING ON USAGE OF LAYER CAKE/YARDAGE/SCRAPS. 2) Organize all the subcut pieces by alphabet label to facilitate piecing. **See labels on page 3 to print out if desired.**

CUTTING CHART (everything needed for all 5 blocks):

<u>SECTION</u>	<u>FABRIC</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PIECES</u>	<u>FABRIC</u>	<u>LETTER</u>
Tree Body	PRINT (Use 5 – 10" squares)	5	10" x 10" rectangles	A
Tree Trunk	PRINT (Use leftover part of Print 10" squares – COMPLETE STEPS 1 – 2 before cutting)	5	1 1/2" X 1 1/2" squares	B
Tree Body Background	BACKGROUND	5	10" X 10" rectangles	C
Trunk Background	BACKGROUND (Use leftover part of Background 10" squares - COMPLETE STEPS 1 – 2 before cutting)	10	1 1/2" X 4" rectangles	D
Base for Higher Tree	BACKGROUND	3	2 1/8" x 9" rectangles	E
Base for Lower Tree	BACKGROUND	2	1 1/4" X 9" rectangles	F
Block Sides	BACKGROUND	10	3/4" X 9 1/2" rectangles	G

FABRIC CUTTING SUBSTITUTIONS:

IF USING 10 INCH "LAYER CAKE"- PRINT: choose (5) 10" squares for the trees that will contrast well with your chosen background fabric, Make sure each square measures at least 10" x 10" before subcutting.

IF USING YARDAGE/ SCRAPS – PRINT: Cut (5) 10" x 10" squares from yardage or scraps and use in lieu of 10 inch precut squares as stated above for Layer Cake substitution.

BLOCK ASSEMBLY – GO TO NEXT PAGE

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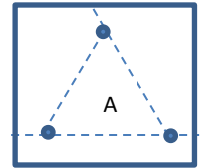
BLOCK ASSEMBLY: Make (5) 9 1/2" X 9 1/2" blocks (unfinished)

NOTE: This Row has off-set blocks. 3 tree blocks are higher and 2 tree blocks are lower in the row. Directions are the same for both blocks through Step #6. The off-set directions begin at Step #7.

For ONE TREE Block:

Construct TREE Body Unit:

- 1) Select 1 Print Fabric A square and 1 Background Fabric C square. Lay Fabric A square (print side up), on top of Fabric C square being sure they are lined up accurately. Measure and mark the center of the 10" square (at 5 inches) along the top of the square. Measure down 1 1/4" down at the center and mark a dot in pencil or chalk. Measure and mark 1 1/2" up from the bottom of the 10" layered square on both sides. At this mark, then measure in 1 1/4" on both sides and mark a dot on each side in pencil or chalk. These dots form the triangle shape for the tree.



- 2) Without separating the two layers, cut the triangle shape out of BOTH the print and background fabrics. It is ok to cut all the way through the top of the square from the side dots. Then cut across the remainder of the layered square at the 1 1/2" line. You will then have 1 - 10" x 1 1/2" rectangle of Fabric A and 1 - 10" x 1 1/2" Fabric C that you will use to cut out the Fabric B square and Fabric D rectangles.

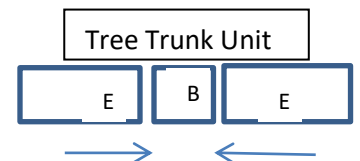
Tree Body Unit BEFORE sewing

- 3) You will use the PRINT triangle A and the BACKGROUND Fabric D pieces of the outside of the triangle. Save the other print and background pieces for other future blocks of the quilt.
- 4) First, lay the Fabric A Print triangle RST with the LEFT piece of the Fabric C Background and sew the left sides together with a 1/4" seam. Finger press the seam open gently. Next, lay the Print triangle along the right side of the Fabric C Background piece and sew RST. It is okay that the pieces overlap. Very gently press the seams open to reduce bulk. Trim the Tree Body Unit to 9" x 7 3/4" from base of the tree.



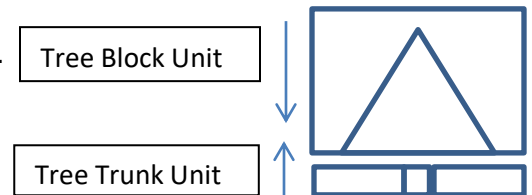
Construct TRUNK Unit:

- 5) Sew 1 Fabric D rectangle to the left side of the Fabric B square. Sew the 2nd Fabric D rectangle to the right side of the Fabric B square. This is the Trunk Unit. Press seams open. Trim Trunk Unit to 1 1/2" x 9".



Assemble BLOCK Unit:

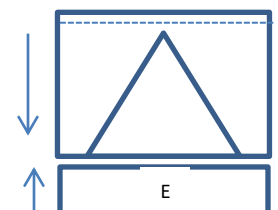
- 6) Center the TRUNK Unit on bottom of TREE BODY Unit RST. Sew and press seam open. Trim Block Unit to 9" x 8 3/4".



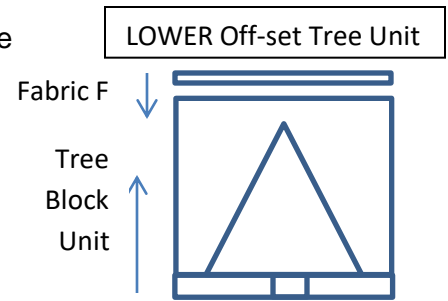
Off-Setting the BLOCK Units:

- 7) HIGHER BLOCK UNITS – Sew 1 Fabric E rectangle RST to BOTTOM of Tree Block Unit. Press seam open. Measure and cut approximately 1/2" off of TOP of Tree Block Unit being sure to leave at least 3/8" above the tree point. Trim Higher Tree Block Off-set Unit to 9" x 9 1/2".

HIGHER Off-set Tree Unit

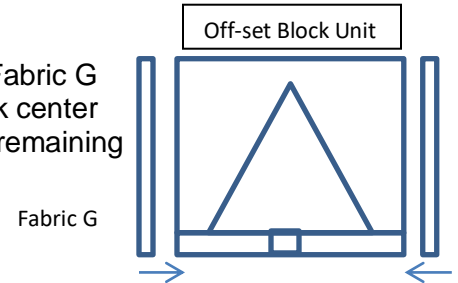


- 8) LOWER BLOCK UNITS – Sew 1 Fabric F rectangle RST to TOP of Tree Block Unit. Press seam away from tree to reduce bulk at tree point. Trim Lower Block Off-set Unit to 9" x 9 1/2".



Assemble BLOCK:

- 9) Sew 1 Fabric G rectangle RST to left side of Off-set Unit. Sew 2nd Fabric G rectangle to right side of Off-set Unit. Press seams away from Block center (toward sides). Square the BLOCK to 9 1/2" x 9 1/2". (Repeat for all remaining Higher and Lower Off-set Block Units.)

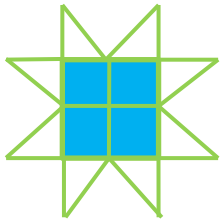


- 4) Make 4 additional Blocks - (2 more Higher Off-set Blocks and 2 more Lower Off-set Blocks) for a total of 5 Tree Blocks = Row 2. Do not sew the blocks together yet. Sashing will be added in Week #8.

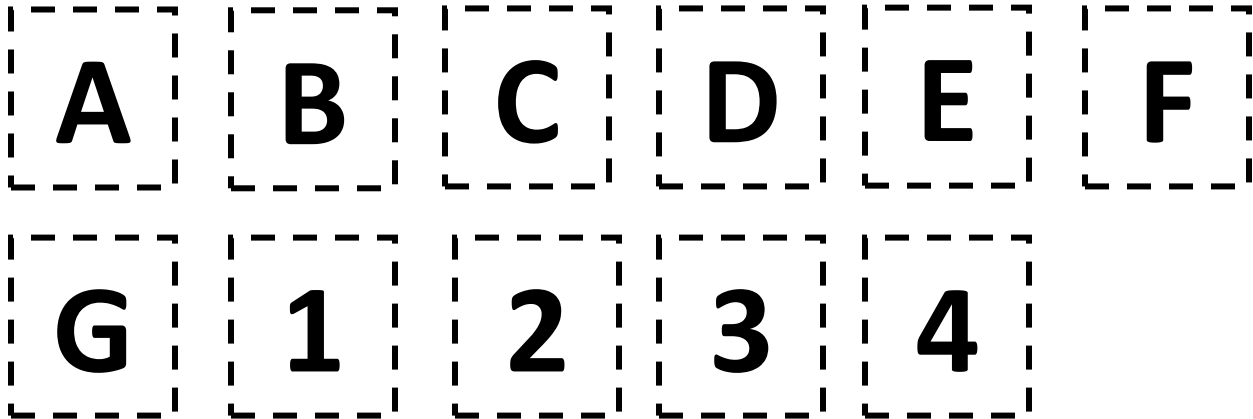


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