

Louisiana

Quilting Around the Block – US Tour



“Louisiana Fleur” 6” finished block (6 ½” unfinished)

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We have been traveling across the great USA visiting our US states and some territories and bonus places. I hope you are having as much fun as I am. MY block is one of the Southern states, Louisiana! I chose a Fleur-de-lis to highlight the iconic symbol for the French influence and honoring Louisiana’s largest city, New Orleans and the honored Mardi Gras celebration.

“Fleur” represents flower and “lis” is for lilly. The multicultural influences of French, Spanish, Native American, African, Haitian and French Canadian shows uniqueness and diversity coming together with the four corners pieced background. Enjoy!

KIT available on wendtquilting.com/kits. Two options: 1- Single color Harlequin Fleur and 2- Three color Fleur

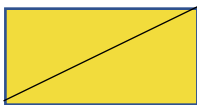
Background Block see page 3

Paper pieced background pattern – **Louisiana Fleur**

One 7” square (oversized to ensure coverage of seams)

Two rectangles 3” x 6” (cut diagonally once as shown below)

Cut from the lower left corner to the upper right corner. Both rectangles need to be right side up when cutting.



Make your paper pieced background.

REMEMBER: When paper piecing you are sewing on the numbered side.

The block will look backwards until you have finished adding the pieces.

A tip when sewing the angled corners ~ continue sewing across to outside edge of seam allowance.

Trim to 6 ½” unfinished. Carefully remove paper.



Fleur Applique

The Fleur-de-lis is applied by fusible applique, adding it to the center of the Background Block. There are two options for the Fleur design: Option 1- Single Fabric and Option 2- Three Color Fleur.

Choose the style that best suits your fabrics or desired look!

Option 1 – Single Fabric Fleur *finished block shown above*

Draw/Trace Fleur as one piece onto your favorite paper backed fusible. (If using a fusible without paper, use your favorite method to transfer the Fleur design. Applique Fleur on page 4.

Rough cut around shape. Iron to the wrong side of your fabric.

Neatly cut out the Fleur shape. Remove paper backing if there is any. Place on the center of the Background Block.

Iron into place.

Finish with a zig zag or buttonhole stitch.

Option 2 – Three Color Fleur *shown right*

Draw/Trace as separate pieces onto your favorite paper backed fusible.

For ease in identifying I will list by color:

Center/purple

Bar/Yellow

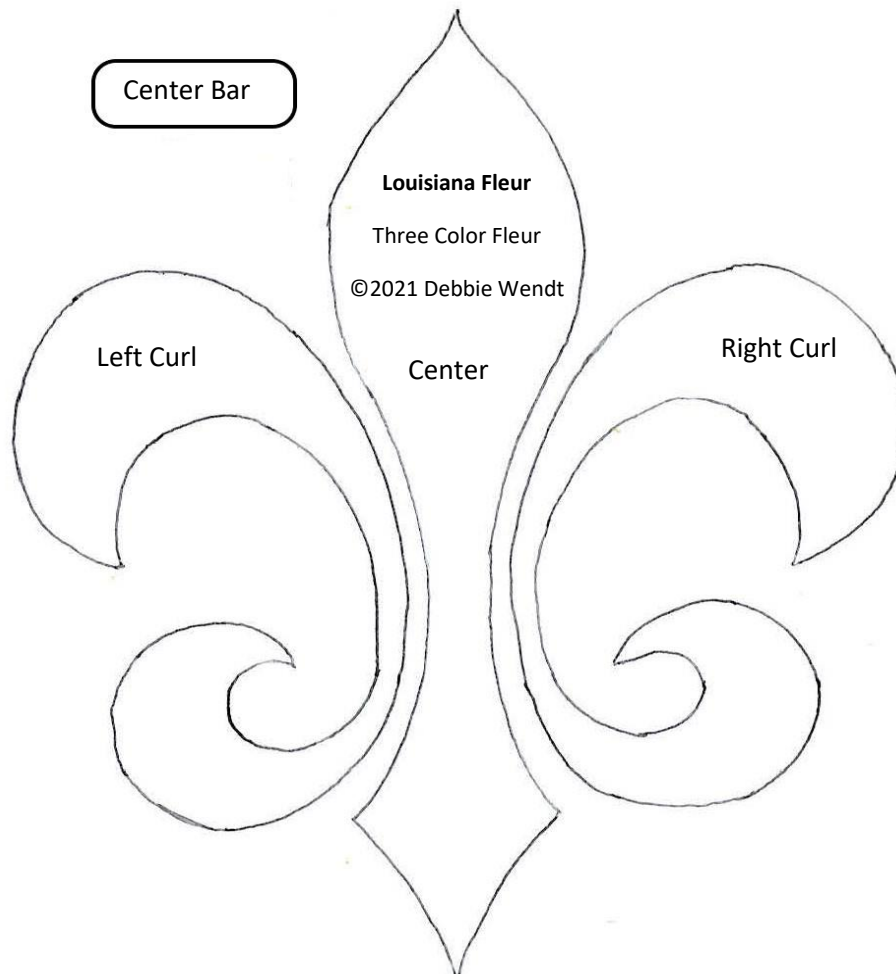
Right Curl/green and Left Curl/green. Fleur pieces are below..

Rough cut around each shape and iron to the wrong side of desired fabric.

Neatly cut out the pieces. Remove paper backing and arrange pieces into a Fleur-de-lis centering on the Background Block .

Iron into place.

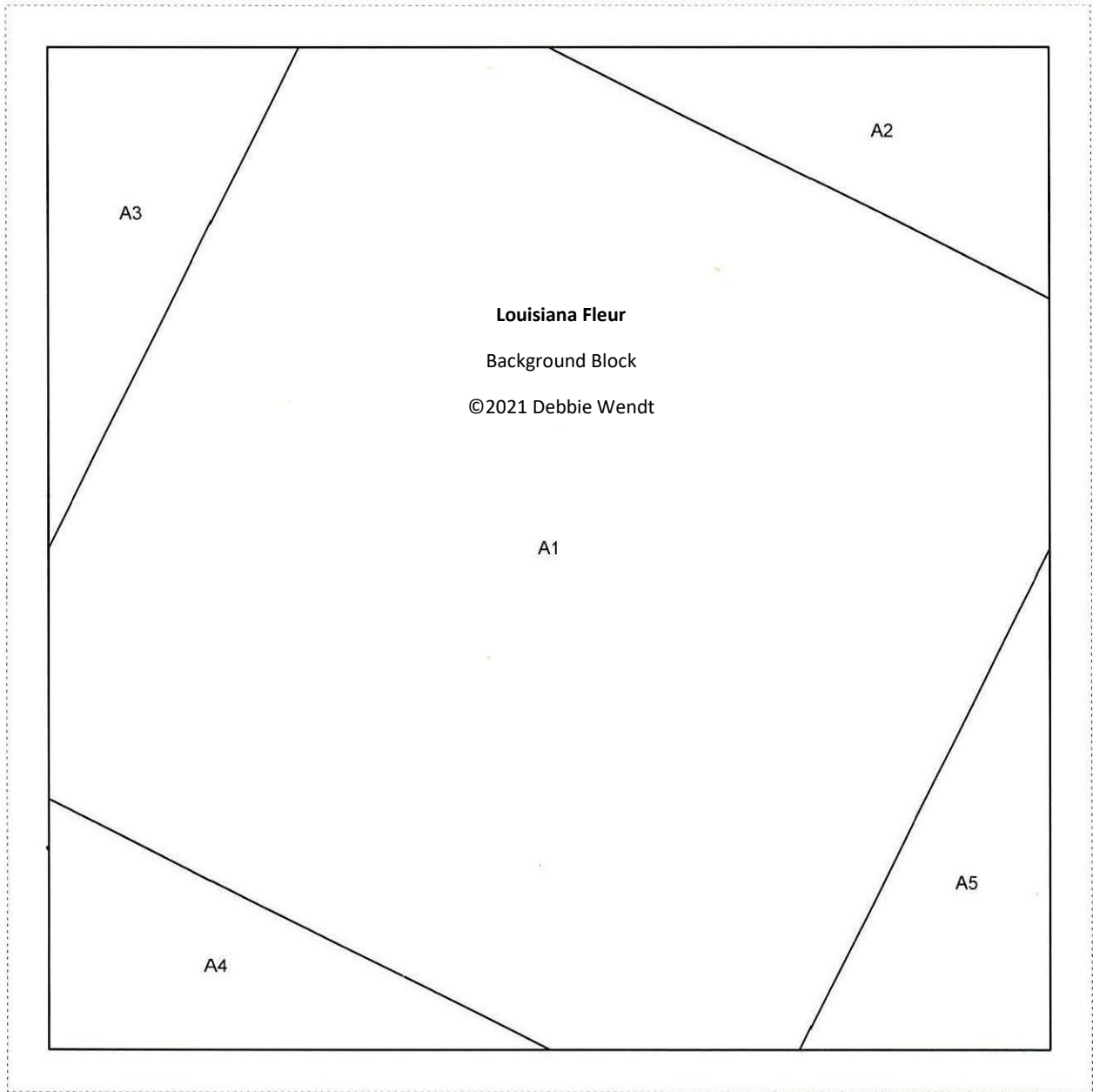
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Paper Pieced Background Block

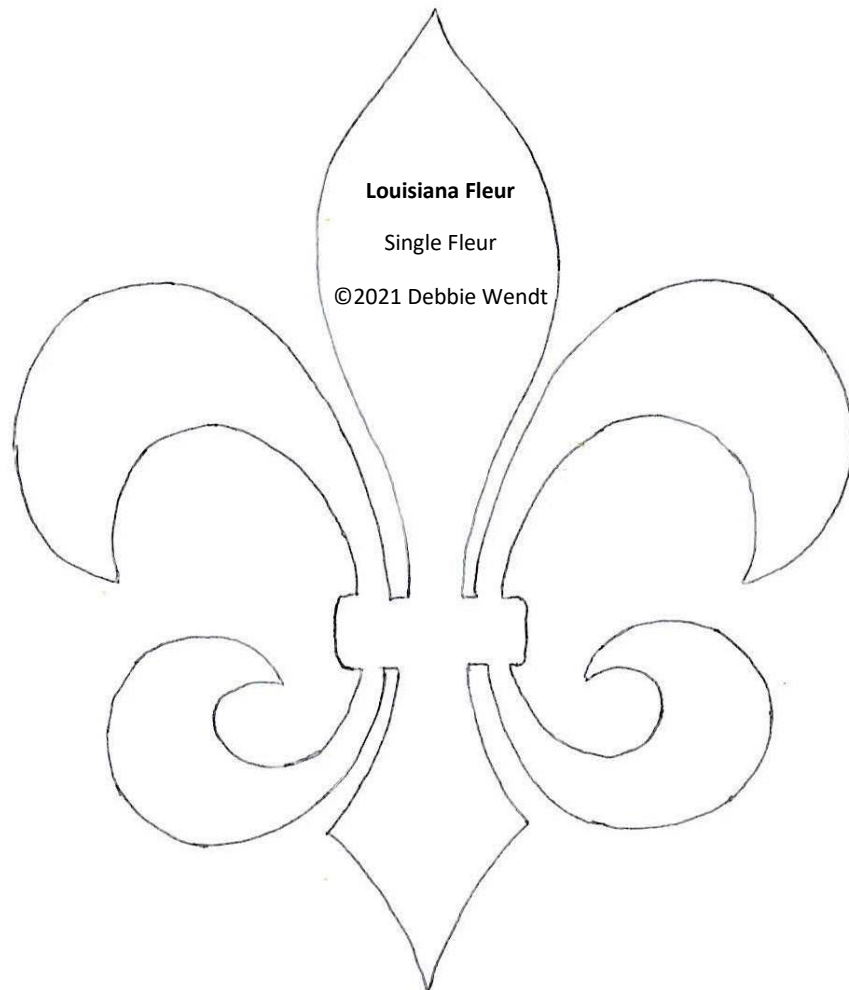
Use the Paper pieced pattern to make the Background Block for the Louisiana Fleur.
Fabrics are listed on page 1 under Background Block.

Add your Louisiana Fleur to your US Blocks and make into a wonderful quilt of the great USA!



Option 1 - Single Fabric Fleur

This is the applique shape below is for the Single Fabric Fleur. I used a harlequin fabric!



Louisiana Fleur

Fleur-de-lis placement on Pieced Background Block.

