

Maple Leaves



*Featuring
"Autumn Air" by
RJR Fabrics*

*Designed by
Diane Nagle
Finished size
52" x 52"
8" blocks*

Optional but recommended:

½" Bias Bar
Fabric Glue

Fabric Requirements:

Autumn Air Pixie Strips for points and centers: (2) 2 ½" x 42" Pixies each of 3115-02, 3118-02, 3119-02, 3117-01, and 2891-09. (3) Pixie strips each of 3117-02, and 3119-01.

For Points only: (3) Pixie strips each of 3119-04, 2891-11 and (2) Pixie strips of 3115-01.

For Centers only: (1) Pixie strip each of 3116-02, 3116-01, and 3118-03.

Binding: ½ yd 3119-03 mahogany.

Autumn Air backgrounds: ¼ yard each of 2891-09, 3116-01, 3117-02, 3119-04, 3116-02, 2891-11, 3119-02, 2891-10, 3119-05, 3120-02, 3117-01, and 3119-01.

Stems: ¼ yard of 3117-02 and 3/8 yard of 3119-04.

Outer Border: 1/2 yd of 3119-05

Backing fabric of choice: 3 ½ yds



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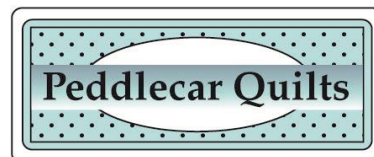
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Cutting:

Autumn Air Pixie Strips for points and Centers: Using the photo as a guide, cut a total of (21) sets of (6) matching 2 ½" squares for leaf points. Cut (27) sets of (3) matching 2 ½" squares for leaf centers.

Points only: Cut (15) sets of (6) matching 2 ½" squares for leaf points.

Centers only fabrics: Cut (9) sets of (3) matching 2 ½" squares for leaf centers.

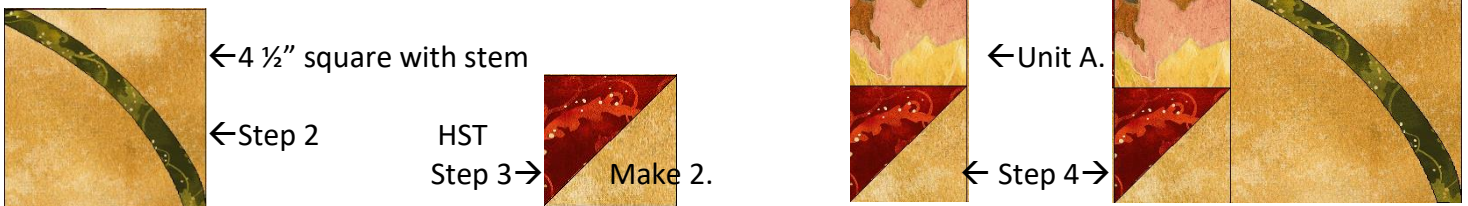
Stems Fabrics: From 3119-04 cut (27) 1 3/8" x 6 ½" bias strips. From 3117-02 cut (9) 1 3/8" x 6 ½" bias strips.

Autumn Air background fabrics: From each fabric, cut (1) strip 4 ½" x 42"; cut into (3) 4 ½" squares and (6) 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangles. For each fabric also cut (1) 2 ½" x 42" strip; cut into (15) 2 ½" squares.

Border Fabric: Cut (5) 2 ½" x 42" strips. Sew end to end and cut (2) 2 ½" x 48 ½" and (2) 2 ½" x 52 ½" strips.
From Binding fabric 3119-03: Cut (6) strips 2 ½" x 42".

Making the 8" Leaf Blocks: Note: For each block you will use a matched set for the Points, the Centers and the background fabrics. However, each block will be a different set of colors.

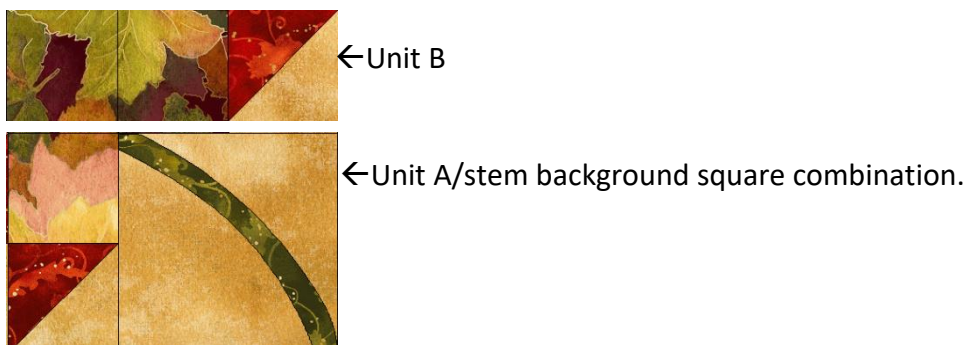
1. Fold the long edges of the Stem bias strips wrong sides together, and sew a 1/8" seam the entire length of the strip. Slide a ½" bias bar inside the tube, centering the seam on the back side and press the seam to the back of the bar.
2. Gently curve the stem, seam side down onto the right side a 4 ½" background square as shown (You may choose the stem color for the background color of your choice or follow the photo). Glue in place, press to set glue. Machine stitch using a tiny zig zag and clear monofilament for the top thread along both sides of stem. (Hand applique is also an option).



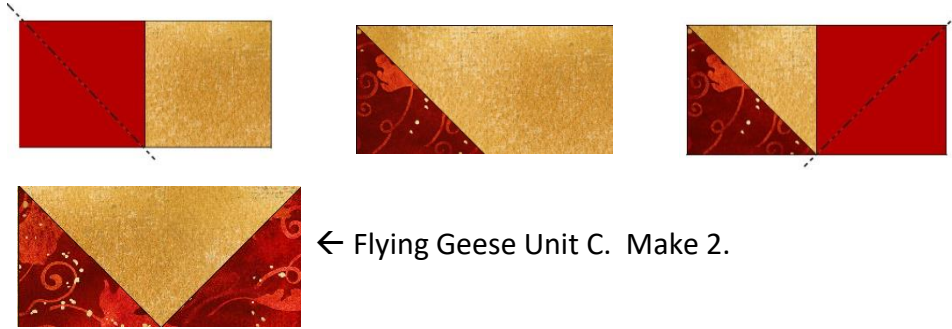
3. Place a background 2 ½" square with a "Points" fabric 2 ½" square (in a contrasting color) right sides together. Sew one diagonal seam (corner to corner), trim a ¼" seam allowance and press to the dark. Square to 2 ½". Make 2 HSTs (Half Square Triangles).
4. Sew a contrasting "Center" 2 ½" square to the top of one HST to complete Unit a. Sew Unit A to the left side of the stem square as shown to make a Unit A/Stem background square combination.
5. Sew (2) "Center" 2 ½" squares together side by side. Sew the second HST from Step 3 to the right end as shown to make Unit B.



6. Sew Unit B to the top of the Unit A/stem background square as shown.



7. Place a "Point" 2 ½" square right sides together, on the left side of background 2 ½" x 4 ½" rectangle. Draw a line from the top left to the bottom right of the square. Stitch on the line, trim ¼" seam allowance and press to the "Point" fabric. Repeat with the right side of the rectangle, the diagonal line going in the opposite direction to complete the flying geese Unit C. Make 2.



8. Sew a background 2 ½" square to the right side of the Flying Geese Unit C from Step 7 to complete Unit D→



Step 9→

9. Sew Unit D to the top of the block.
10. Sew a background 2 ½" square to both ends of the remaining Flying Geese Unit to make Unit E→



11. Rotate and sew Unit E to the left side of the block to complete. Square up to 8 ½" unfinished.

Leaf block→



12. Repeat Steps 1-11 to make (35) more blocks. Choose "Center", "Point", Stem and background fabrics that will compliment and contrast with each other for the next 35 blocks. Use the photo as a guide or make your own combinations.

Assembly of Quilt Center:

13. Sew (6) Leaf Blocks together horizontally, rotating every other block 180 degrees (so the stems point in different directions). Start Rows 1, 3 and 5 with the 1st block's "Stems" pointing down on the right. Rows 2, 4, and 6 will have the 1st block's "Stems" pointing down to the left. Complete all 6 rows. Sew the (6) rows together to complete the quilt center.

Borders:

14. Sew the (2) 2 ½" x 48 ½" outer border strips to sides of quilt center. Sew the (2) 2 ½" x 52 ½" outer border strips to the top and bottom of quilt.
15. Layer quilt with batting and backing, quilt as desired and bind using the 2 ½" binding strips.