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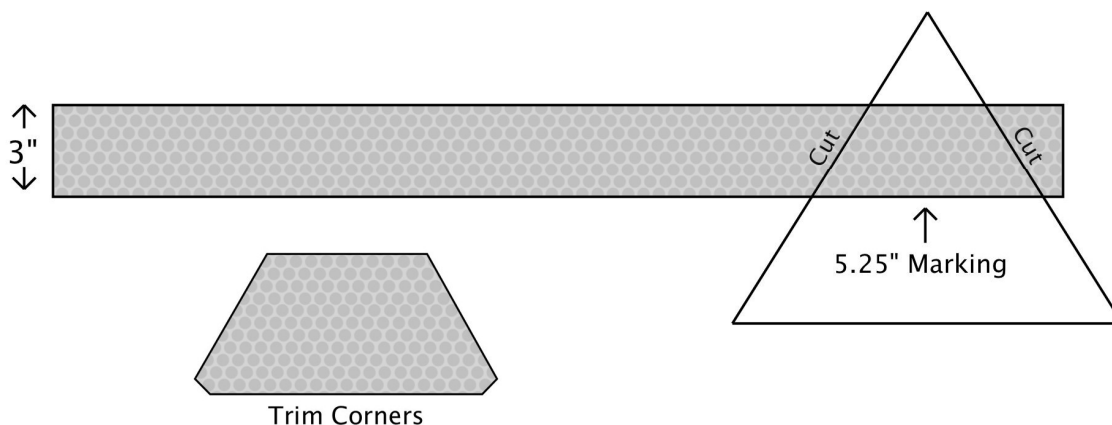
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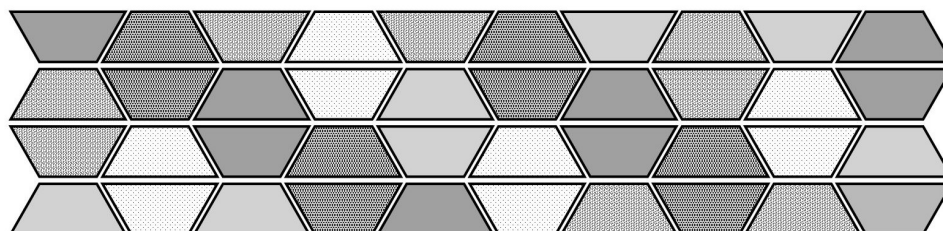
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If using Mary Ellen's Best Press (highly recommended, as it will prevent stretching when dealing with bias edges), lightly spray and press all your fabric. Trim your yellow strips down to 3" x WOF (width of fabric).

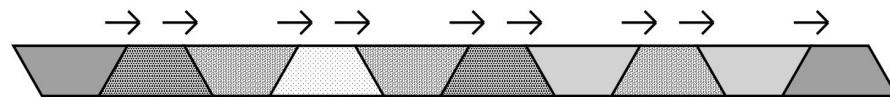
If using the 60° triangle ruler, cut (8) half hexagons out of each of your 3" strips by lining up the edge of the strip with the 5.25" mark on the ruler. If you don't have the ruler, make a template out of the half hexagon provided. Trim the corners. RESERVE SCRAPS FOR LATER USE.



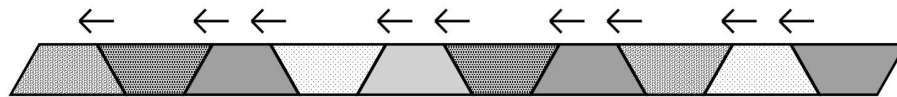
Arrange your half hexagons (10 x 4) into a pleasing manner, making complete hexagons where possible.



Sew your horizontal rows first. Press rows 1 and 3 to the right, rows 2 and 4 to the left.

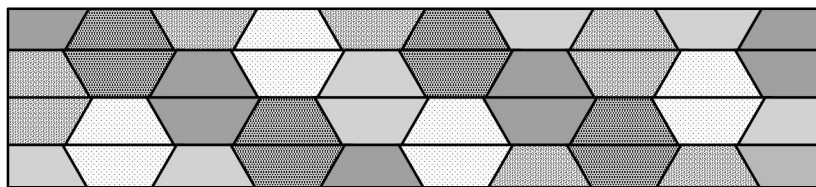


Row 1: Press to the right



Row 2: Press to the left

Next, sew your horizontal strips together. Trim to 9.5" x 36.5".



Following manufacturer's instructions, trace (2) large bumblebees and (1) baby bumblebee onto the Steam-A-Seam, leaving a 1/2" space in between. Be sure to trace the stripes separately from the bumblebee bodies. Cut out the shapes, leaving at least an extra 1/4" edge around each shape.

Fuse the bee bodies to the wrong side of the black fabric and cut along the lines. Fuse the bee stripes to the wrong side of any of your remaining yellow fabric (keep in mind where the bees will be placed) and cut along the lines.

Arrange your bee bodies onto the hexagon background and fuse. Then, arrange the yellow stripes on the bees and fuse. Stitch around the edges of your shapes using a small zig zag or blanket stitch.

If you wish, use a heavy weight black thread and hand stitch a beeline behind each bee.

If making a wall hanging:

Fuse your top to the Fusible Fleece and sandwich with the backing. Quilt as desired and trim. Cut (3) 2.25" binding strips and join together. Bind your project.

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