

Survivor Tree

September 11, 2001 is a day no man, woman or child in the United States can ever forget. The inspiring stories from those who chose to respond, however they could, to the devastation in New York will always remind our country of the inherent strength within all of us.

While in New York recently, we visited the 9-11 Memorial to join others in solemn remembrance. In the quiet gardens we saw the Survivor Tree, a Calgary Pear Tree that barely survived that deadly day. The tree was gently carried to New Jersey in the days following the towers' fall, nursed back to health, and replanted on site at the Memorial in 2010.

It was a bright and beautiful blue-sky day when we visited the 9-11 Memorial, just as it was in 2001 when the World Trade Center was attacked. The Survivor Tree now stands as a living reminder of our country's remarkable patriotic spirit, and the lost loved ones who will always remain alive in our hearts.



This month you will be making a memorial tree wall hanging. We hope you like and enjoy this small quilt as you gaze on it for years to come.

From Background Fabric 1 cut:

A 1 square 6 3/8" x 6 3/8" (cut in half diagonally)

B 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

C 1 square 4" x 4"

D 2 squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

E 1 square 2" x 2"

From Background Fabric 2 cut:

B 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

E 1 square 2" x 2"

From Background Fabric 3 cut:

B 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

E 1 square 2" x 2"

From Background Fabric 4 cut:

B 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

E 1 square 2" x 2"

From Blue Fabric 1 cut:

H 1 square 4" x 4"

J 1 square 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"

K 2 squares 2 5/8" x 2 5/8"

From Blue Fabric 2 cut:

F 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

G 1 square 2 3/8" x 2 3/8" (cut in half diagonally)

From Blue Fabric 3 cut:

F 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

G 1 square 2 3/8" x 2 3/8" (cut in half diagonally)

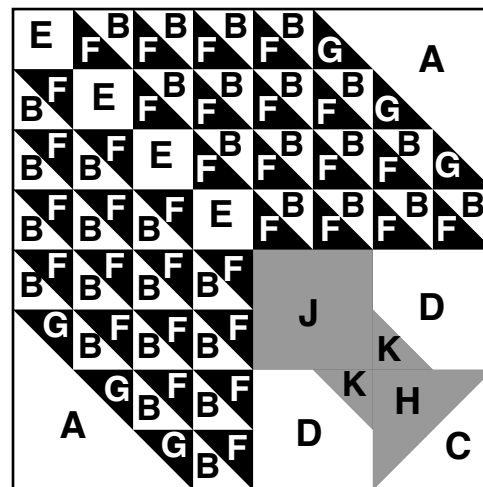
From Blue Fabric 4 cut:

F 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"

G 1 square 2 3/8" x 2 3/8" (cut in half diagonally)

From Blue Fabric 5 cut:

F 1 square 5 1/2" x 5 1/2"



Color Chart



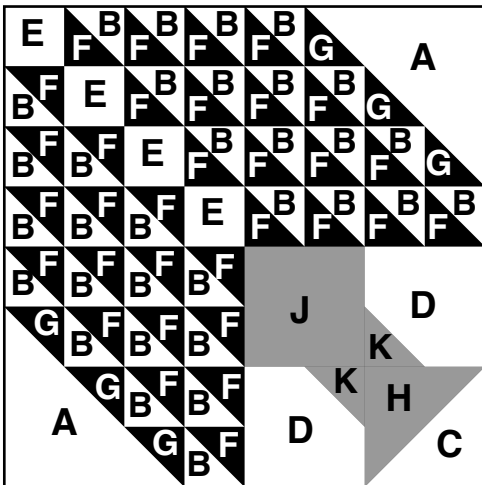
From Blue Fabric 5 cut:

2 squares 9 3/8" x 9 3/8" (cut in half diagonally)
for setting triangles

From Background Fabric 4 cut:

2 strips 2" x 17 1/2" for side borders

2 strips 2" x 20 1/2" for top and bottom borders



Make 1 Tree Block

Constructing the block

- Layer (right sides together) a background square **B** and a dark square **F**.
- Pin the 1 1/2" finished "Star Single" triangle paper in the center of the square. Be sure that the paper is centered on the fabric squares. Silk pins work best to pin the layers together. See diagram 1.

Hint: It helps to shorten the stitch length on your machine when sewing on paper.

- Following the manufacturer's instructions, sew on the dashed lines and cut on the solid lines.
- Remove the paper and press the half-square triangles to the dark triangle. See diagram 2.

Note: 1 **B** square + 1 **F** square = 8 **B/F** half-square triangles

- Repeat for a total of 32 **B/F** half-square triangles.

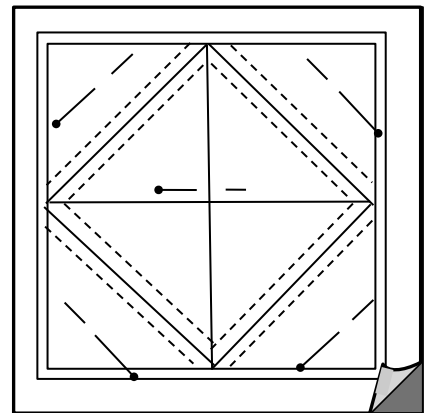


Diagram 1

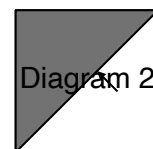
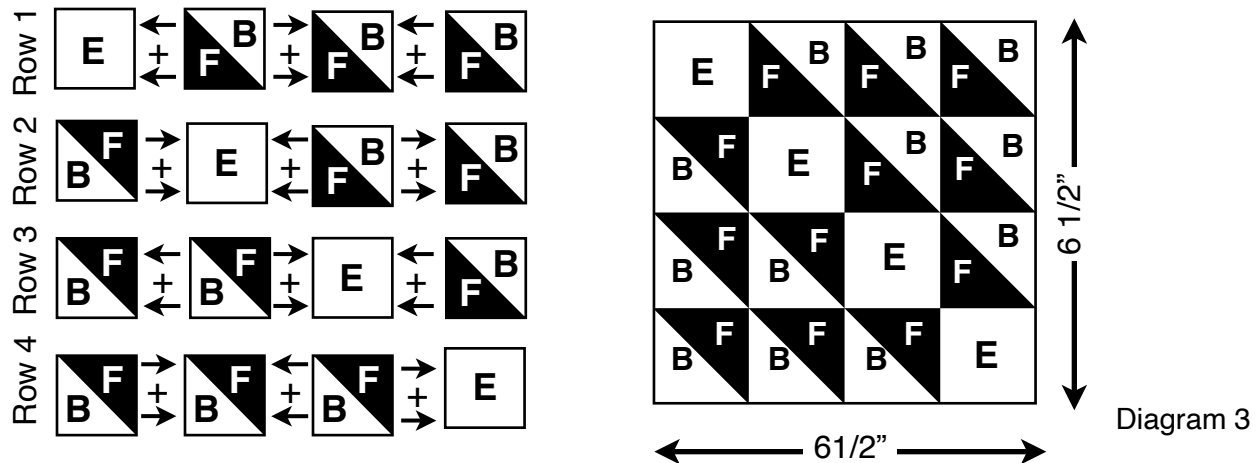
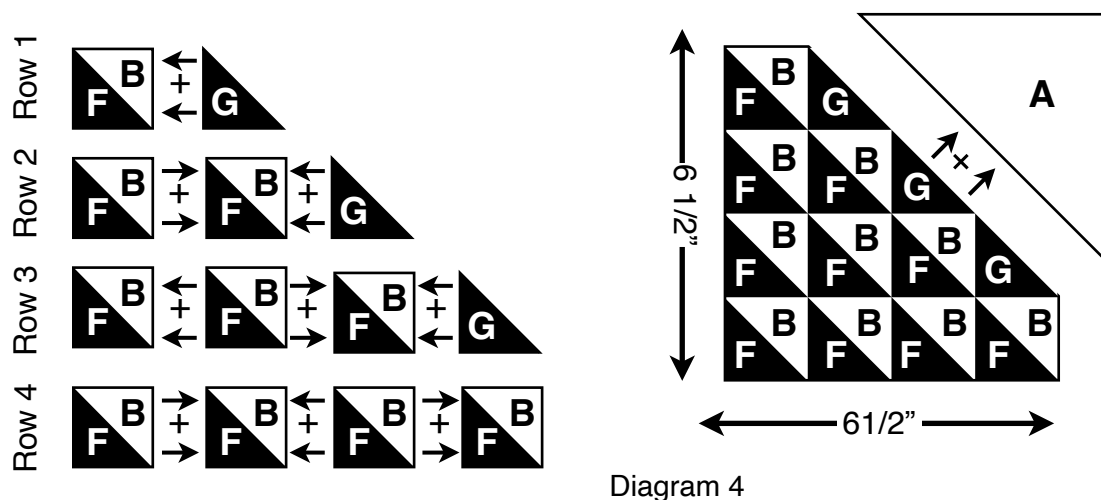


Diagram 2

- Sew 12 **B/F** half-square triangles and 4 background squares **E** together into 4 rows.
- Press as indicated by arrows.
- Sew the rows together and press all long seams to row 4.
- See diagram 3.



- Sew 10 **B/F** half-square triangles, 3 dark triangles **G** together into 4 rows.
- Press as indicated by arrows.
- Sew the rows together and press all long seams to row 1.
- Add the large background triangle **A** and press to **A**.
- Repeat to make 2 tree block units 2.
- See diagram 4.



- With a pencil, draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the background square **C**.
- Place a background square **C** and a dark square **H** right sides together.
- Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on either side of the pencil line. See diagram 5.
- Cut on the pencil line. See diagram 6.
- Press to the dark. See diagram 7.
- Trim to $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Note: 1 **C** square + 1 **H** square = 2 **C/H** half-square triangles.

Only 1 **C/H** half-square triangle will be used for this block.

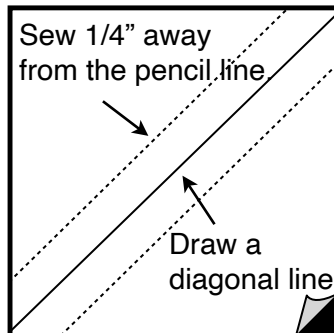


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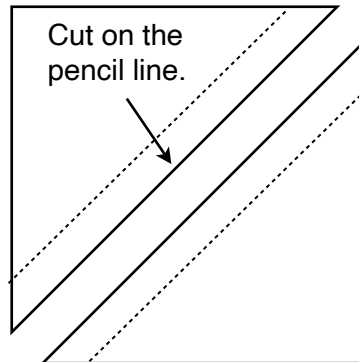


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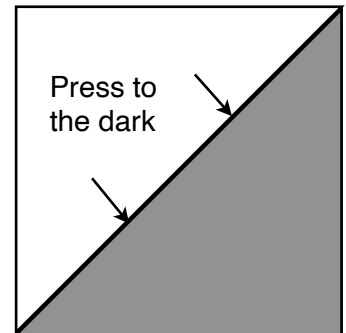


Diagram 7

- Using a pencil, draw a straight line from corner to corner on the wrong side of the dark squares **K**.
- With right sides together (RST), place a dark square **K** onto a background square **D**.
- Sew on the pencil line and trim leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.
- Press to the dark. See diagram 8.
- Repeat for a total of 2 **D/K** trunk units.

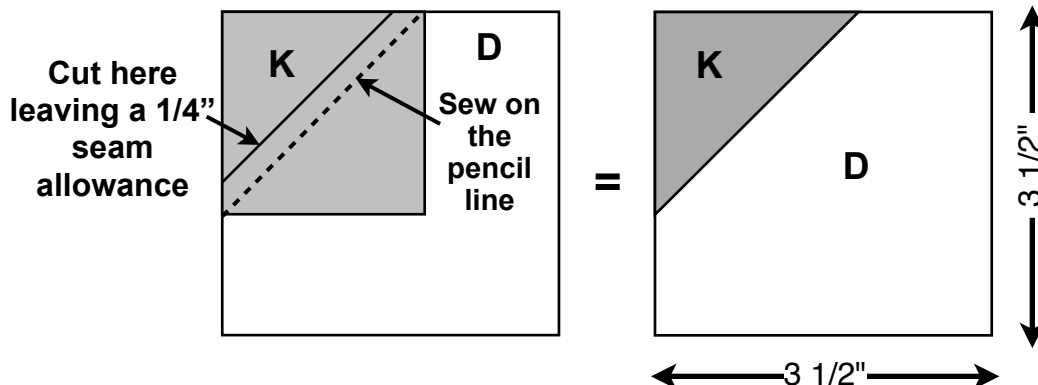
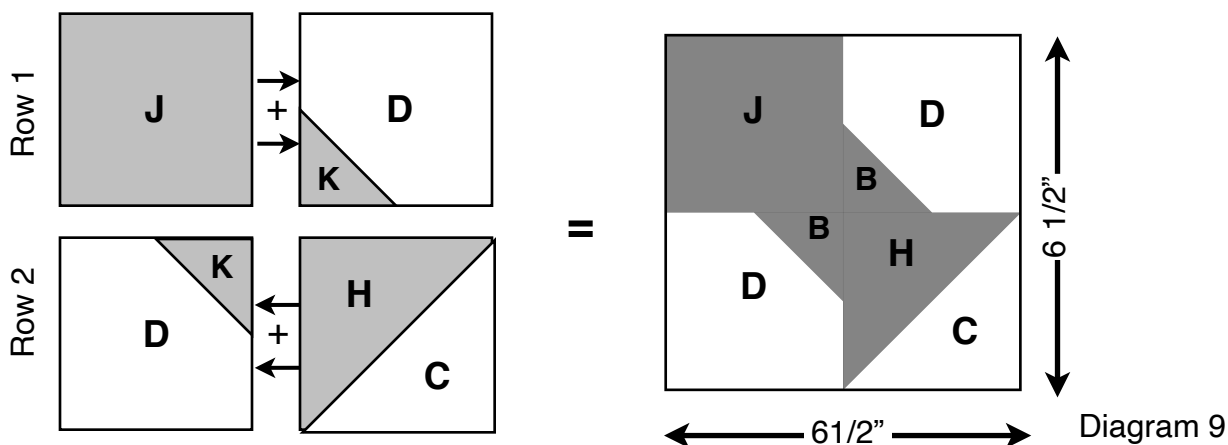
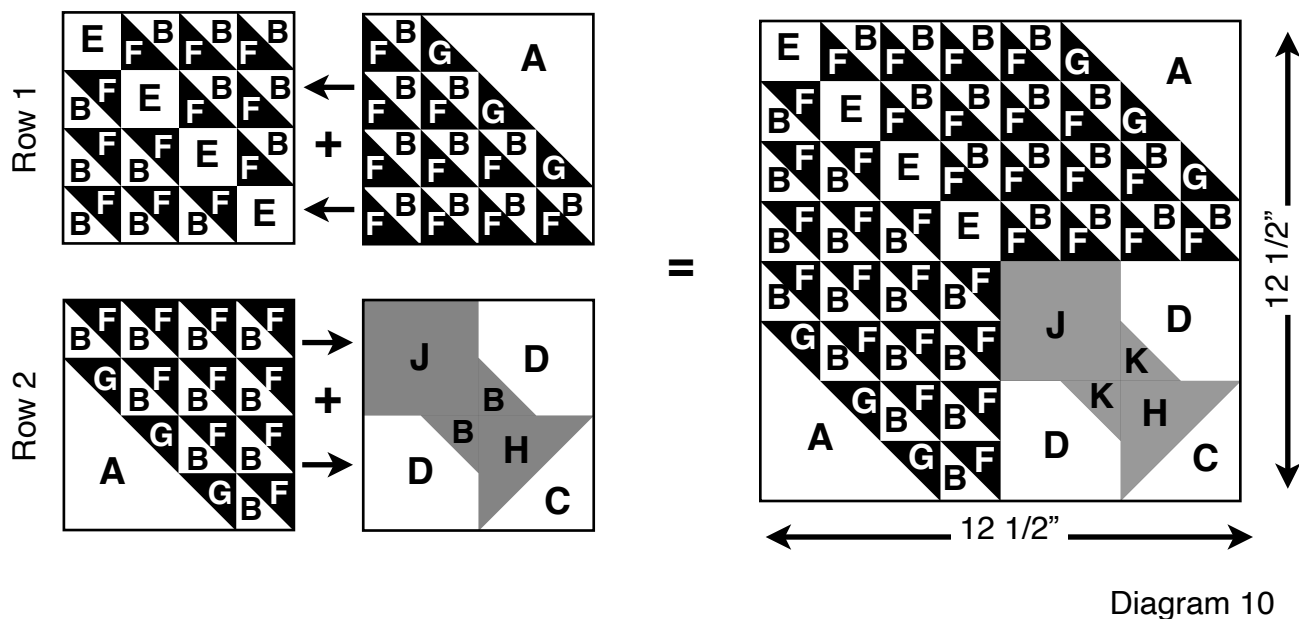


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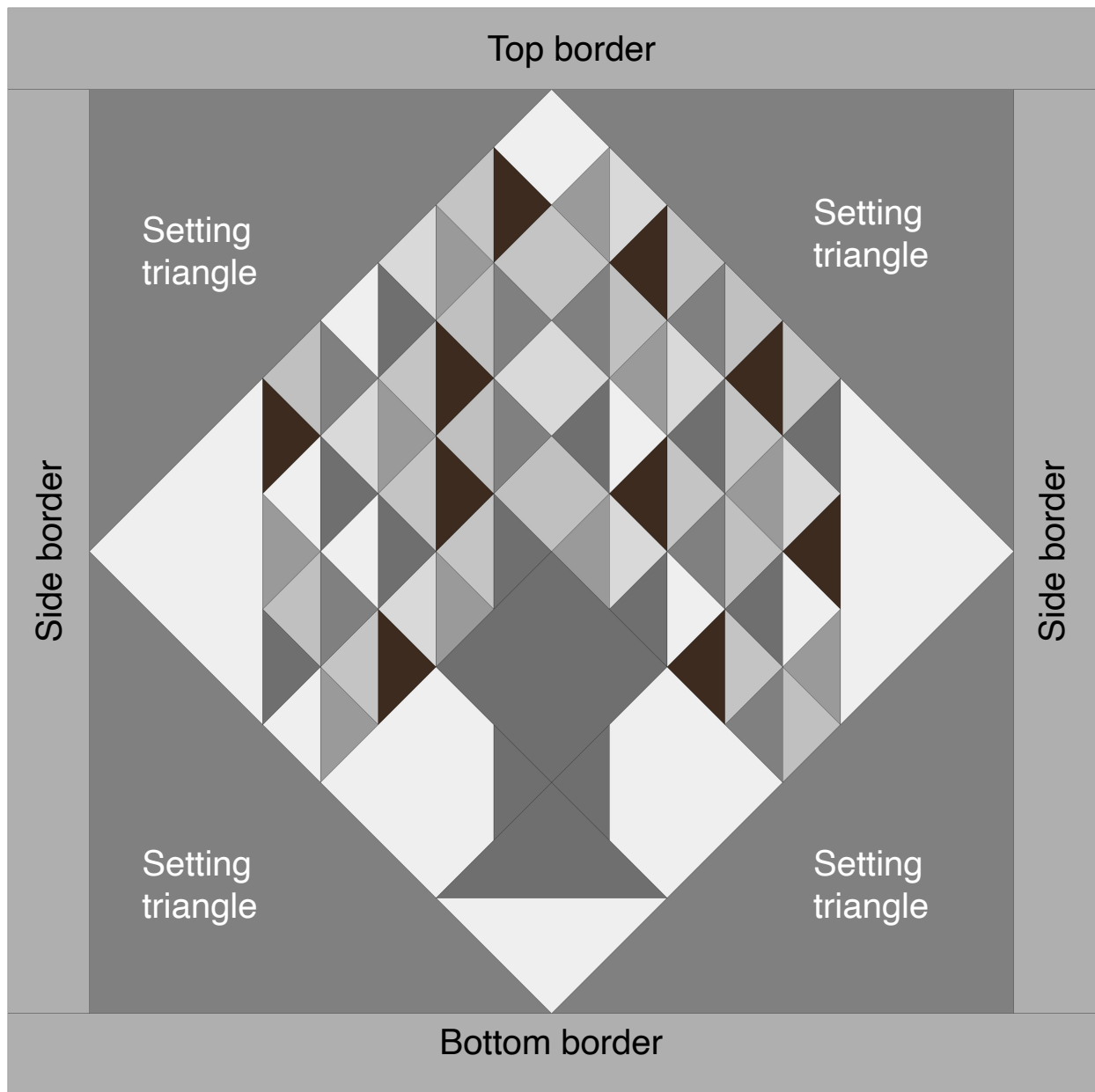
- Sew 2 **D/K** trunk units, 1 **C/H** half-square triangle and 1 dark square **J** together into 2 rows.
- Press as indicated by arrows.
- Sew the rows together and press all long seams to row 1.
- See diagram 9.



- Sew 1 Tree Unit 1, 2 Tree Units 2 and 1 Tree Trunk Unit into 2 rows.
- Press as indicated by arrows.
- Sew the rows together and press seams to row 2 or press seams open.
- See diagram 10.
- Make 1 block.



Sew the setting triangle to the block. Press to the setting triangles.
Add the borders and press to the borders.
Your quilt should measure 20 1/2" x 20 1/2".



Survivor Tree

Fabric requirements:

1/6 yd background 1 – pieced tree
and tree base

6"x11" 3 backgrounds – pieced tree

6"x21" blue fabric 1 – tree trunk

6"x21" 3 blue prints – pieced tree

12"x21" blue fabric 5 – setting
triangles

*9"x21" background 4 – border (also
used in pieced tree)

1 yd backing and binding