



Patchwork Kite

Supplies

19 – 5” charm squares
 5 strips of fabric - 2½” x 40”
 1 coordinating fat quarter fabric
 Fat quarter of quilters batting
 String
 Thread

Tools

Sewing Machine
 Iron
 Hand sewing needle

Instructions

- Put 3 of your charm squares aside.
- Place remaining charm squares right sides together in pairs. Stitch each with a ¼” seam.
- Put two of these double sets aside.
- Take the remaining double sets from Step 2, place them right sides together in pairs and stitch with a ¼” seam to create rows 2, 3 and 4 in Diagram 1.
- Lay out kite as shown in Diagram 1.
- Press seams in each row to one side so that seams in rows 1, 3, 5 go to the right and rows 2, 4 go to the left.
- Sew rows 2, 3, and 4 together, butting up the seams so they match.
- Sew rows 1 and 5 onto the rectangle as shown in Diagram 2.
- Press all seams to one side.
- Lay the piece on your cutting board.
 You are now about to cut out your kite shape.
- Cut from point 1 to 2, 2 to 3, 3 to 4 and 4 to 1 as shown in Diagram 3.
- Now sandwich and baste your top, your batting, and then your fat quarter back together. Quilt as desired.
- Use two of your 2.5” strips to bind the kite.

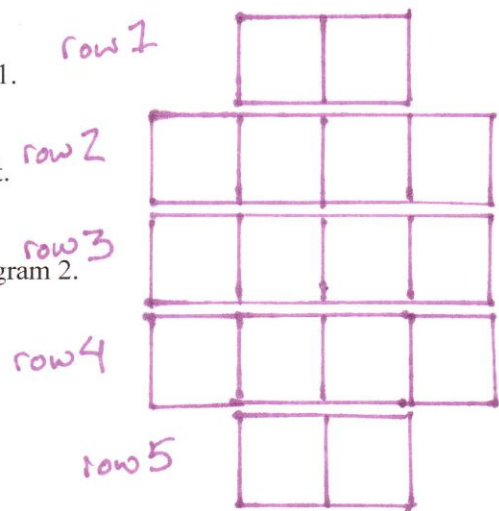


Diagram 1.

14. Stack the remaining 3 strips together and stitch along one short end using a zigzag stitch to hold them firmly together.
15. Hand sew these strips to the back of the pointiest tip of the kite (shown in Diagram 4).
16. Braid the three strips together. I like to fold the strips in half so you can only see the 'right side' as I weave.
17. Use your string to tie the end of the braid.
18. Stack the 3 charm squares that you had put aside in step 1. Cut in half so that they measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5".
19. Place the rectangles wrong sides together in pairs. Topstitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge all around each pair. Raw edges will be exposed.
20. Cut three pieces of string.
21. Tie the rectangles to the braid of the kite as shown in Diagram 5.
22. Hang on wall and enjoy!

