

# ASG Mystery Quilt

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You will need 3 fabrics. You may wish to purchase more fabric than is suggested in case you want to make a more complex finished project.

### Minimum requirements:

Fabric 1: 3/8 yard of a small print.

Fabric 2: 3/8 yard of a small coordinating print.

Fabric 3: 3/4 yard of a coordinating plain or tone on tone fabric.

Batting: 17 inch square (Bring this on Mystery Quilt Day; you may get to this step!)

Paper backed fusible web

Matching thread

### Cutting:

Fabric 1: Cut 2 strips 1 3/4 inches x width of fabric. Subcut into two strips 1 3/4 inches x 21 inches (approximately) for ease in sewing.

Fabric 2: Cut 2 strips 1 3/4 inches x width of fabric. Subcut into two strips 1 3/4 inches x 21 inches (approximately) for ease in sewing.

Fabric 3: Cut 2 strips 2 1/2 inches x width of fabric. Cut one strip 18 inches x width of fabric. From this strip cut one 18 inch square. From the remaining fabric in this strip cut two 5 1/2 inch strips. Subcut these strips into four 5 1/2 inch squares.

### Sewing:

#### Step 1:

Sew a Fabric 1 strip to a Fabric 2 strip along the long edge. Press the seam to the side of the darkest fabric. Press carefully to keep the strips straight. Repeat with the remaining strips so you have 4 three-inch x 21 inch F1/F2 strips.



Sew two F1/F2 strips together so the colors alternate. Press the seam toward the darkest fabric. Repeat with the remaining two F1/F2 strips. You should now have two pieces that are 5 ½ inches x 21 inches.



Cut the F1/F2/F1/F2 pieces into twenty 1 ¾ inch x 5 ½ inch strips. Arrange four F1/F2/F1/F2 strips as in the photo and sew together, matching seams. The seams should “nest” together. You should have a 5 1/2 inch square that looks like a checkerboard. Repeat to make a total of 5 checkerboard squares.



### *Step 2:*

Lay out the checkerboard squares so the same fabric is in the upper left corner. Keep them in this orientation as you complete the following:

Sew a checkerboard square to each side of a Fabric 3 square. Press seams toward the Fabric 3 square. This will be the top row.

Sew a checkerboard square to each side of a second Fabric 3 square. Press seams toward the Fabric 3 square. This will be the bottom row.

Sew a Fabric 3 square to each side of a checkerboard square. Press seams toward the Fabric 3 squares. This will be the middle row.

Arrange the top, middle, and bottom rows as in the photo and sew them together, matching the seams. The seams should “nest” together. Press the seams to one side or press them open.

You should see a diagonal pattern emerge with your F1 and F2 fabrics.

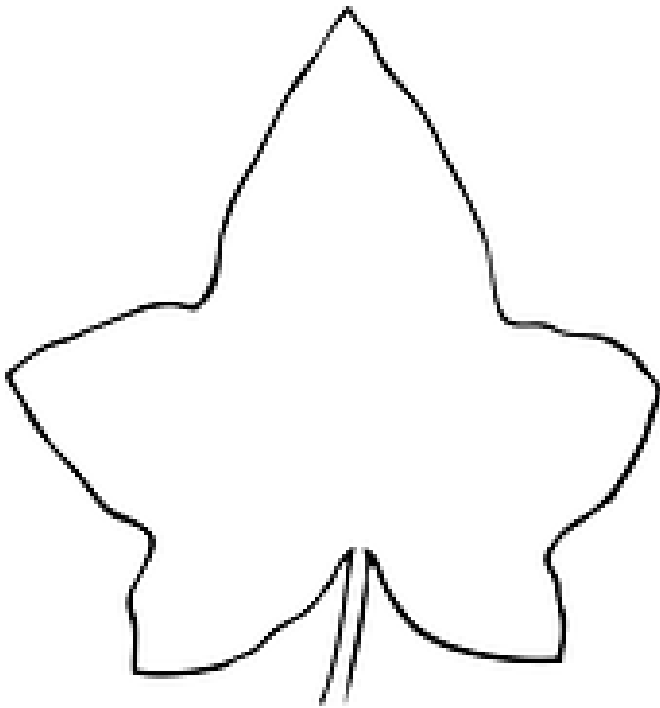


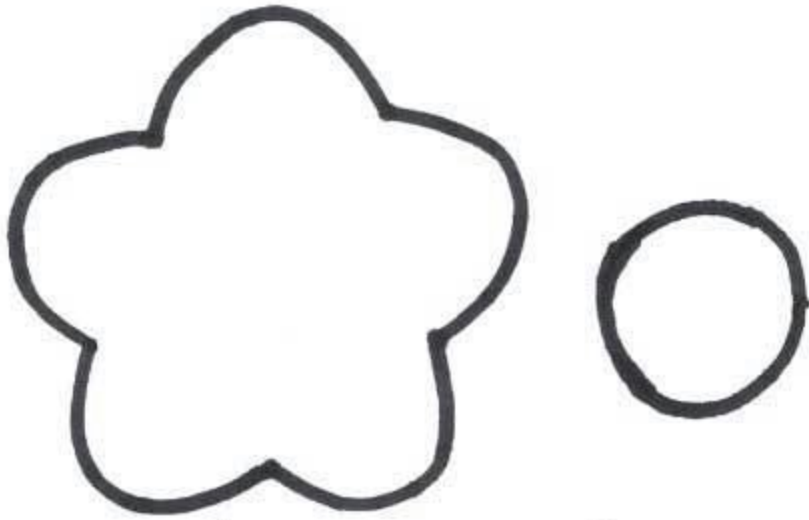
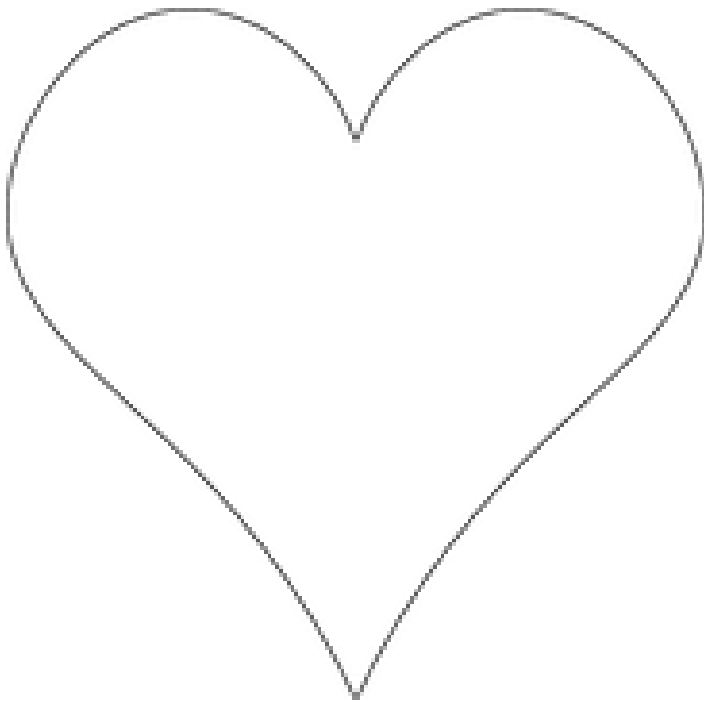
### *Step 3:*

Applique patterns are included with this step. Choose the applique pattern you want to use and trace it 4 times onto the smooth side of fusible web, spacing them  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch to an inch apart. If your pattern has more than one piece, like the flower and its center, trace them separately, putting the flowers together and the centers together.

Cut them out about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch outside the traced lines.

## **Applique Patterns**





flower and center

Using the remaining uncut fabric, iron each pattern piece onto the back side of the fabric you wish to use for that piece.



Cut out each piece on the traced line. Using a straight pin, make a scratch in the paper, using that cut to help you tear away the smooth paper.



Position each piece on a Fabric 3 block and iron in place, using the manufacturer's directions for the fusible web. If there is a second piece, iron that on. For example, iron on the flower and then iron the center on top of the flower.



Use a blanket stitch, small zigzag stitch or a satin stitch to sew the edge of each applique piece. If you want a more "rustic" look, you could sew just inside the applique piece with a straight line. This will allow some raveling to occur.



*Step 4:*

**Finishing touches:** Layer and pin (or baste or spray baste) the small quilt top, batting, and backing (18 inch square of Fabric 3). Quilt as desired. Trim the edges to within  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch of the quilt top. Make binding with the 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch x width of fabric strips of Fabric 3. Attach binding to quilt for a small table topper or candle mat.

**Alternate finishing:**

Make a total of three blocks like you made today and use them to make a table runner.

Use the block you made for the front of a bag.

Make several blocks. Join them with sashing strips to make a small quilt or large table topper.

Use your imagination and see what you can create!