



DRUNKARD'S PATH QUILT BLOCK

The Drunkard's Path block is a traditional quilting shape that uses CURVES to create movement in the quilt block. It also allows for interesting arrangements of units for a huge variety of finished blocks. The key to a great result is careful pinning and pressing to maintain a smooth curve.

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UPGRADE TO PRO MEMBERSHIP FOR AN ALTERNATE VERSION OF THIS BLOCK & FULL QUILT PATTERNS

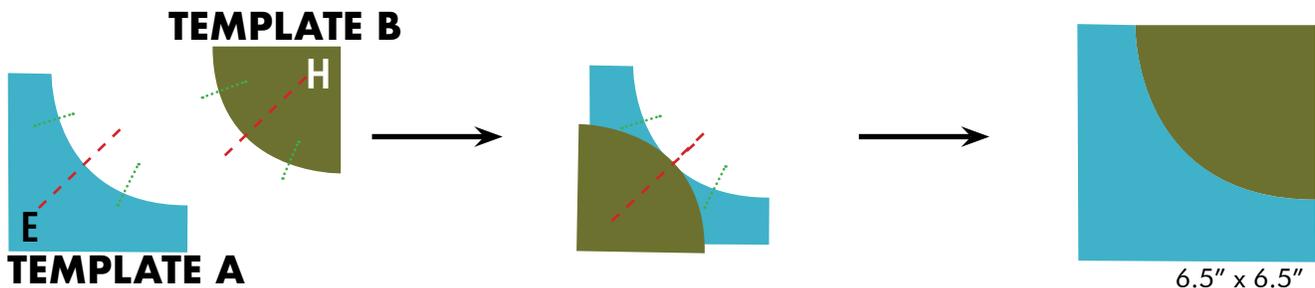
FABRIC REQUIREMENTS & CUTTING LIST

orient directional fabrics according to the arrow on each template to keep design elements facing "up"

			cut 1 of Template B from each
			cut 1 of Template A from each
	cut 1 of Template D		cut 1 of Template C

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ASSEMBLY

all seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise indicated



Begin with Template A cut from fabric E, as shown, to construct the first Drunkard's Path unit. This design is a traditional shape that uses a gentle curve to create rolling lines in the block. Sew the curved seam by folding Template A in half from the lower corner, and finger pressing along the center of the curve (red line). Repeat halfway between the pressed center and each end of the curve (green lines). Fold and finger press the same points on Template B cut from Fabric H, as illustrated.

Using pins, match the pressed points, pin the two fabrics right sides together, and place Template B DOWN on the sewing machine. Stitch slowly with a scant 1/4" seam allowance, taking care to move the excess fabric away from the needle while sewing.

Press seam allowances toward the darker fabric.

Trim to 6.5" x 6.5" if necessary.

Repeat with Fabric D + Fabric A and Fabric F + Fabric B.

MAKE ONE OF EACH



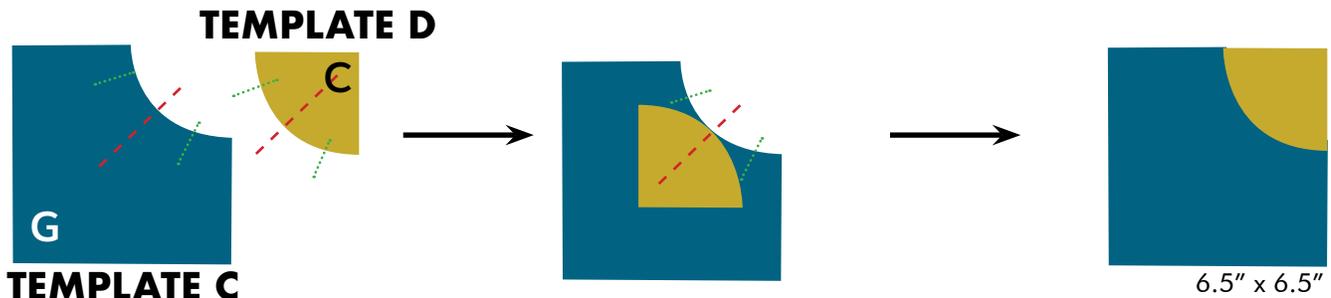


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For the fourth unit of this block, repeat the steps above with Template C cut from fabric G, as shown. This is the same basic shape but with different proportions, giving the freedom to play with the design layout simply by altering which templates are used.

Sew the curved seam by folding Template C in half from the lower corner, and finger pressing along the center of the curve (red line). Repeat halfway between the pressed center and each end of the curve (green lines). Fold and finger press the same points on Template D cut from Fabric C, as illustrated.

Using pins, match the pressed points, pin the two fabrics right sides together, and place Template B DOWN on the sewing machine. Stitch slowly with a scant 1/4" seam allowance, taking care to move the excess fabric away from the needle while sewing.

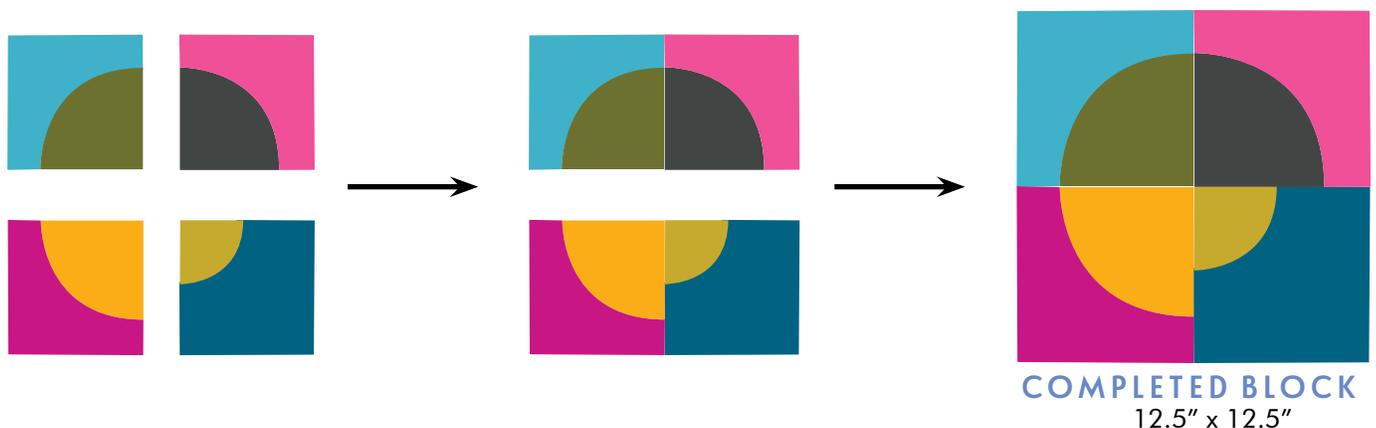
Press seam allowances toward the darker fabric.

Trim to 6.5" x 6.5" if necessary.

To assemble the final block, arrange the four units constructed above into a grid: first, lay out each unit as shown in the illustration below at left, taking care to rotate as shown.

Stitch the upper two first to create a row, and press seam allowances to the RIGHT. Stitch the lower two next to create a second row, and press seam allowances to the LEFT.

Finally, stitch the two rows together, nesting seams. Press seam allowances to one side. Trim to 12.5" x 12.5" if necessary.





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Printing instructions: print with no scaling (at 100%).
Use paper scissors to cut out the templates, then cut from fabric according to pattern instructions.

when printed correctly,
this square measures

30mm **2"**

template a

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template b

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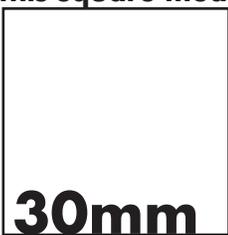


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template d

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template c

DRESDEN PLATE
QUILT BLOCK



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