



'Fly Away'

Advance Pre-Piecing for the A1 template
from *Distinctive Dresdens*

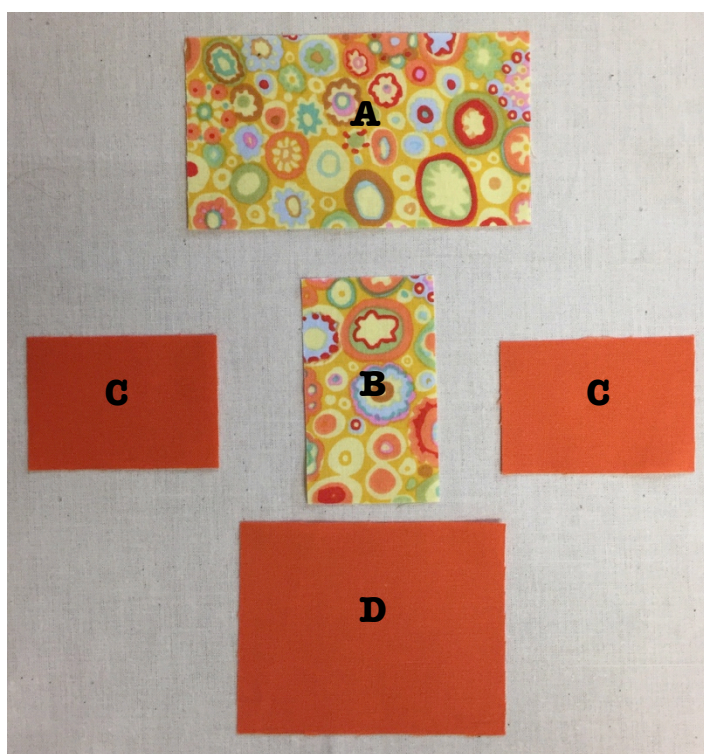
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A delightful way to add more distinction and dimension to *Distinctive Dresdens* blocks



These instructions will guide you through the cutting and Advance Pre-Piecing to create a new element in your *Distinctive Dresdens* blocks.

All other instructions to complete the blocks are contained in *Distinctive Dresdens*.



For each A1 template, cut:

- 1 - 4 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangle fabric A
- 1 - 1 3/4" x 3" rectangle fabric B
- 2 - 1 3/4" x 2 1/2" rectangles fabric C
- 1 - 2 3/4" x 3 1/2" rectangles fabric D



Piecing:

Fold B in half wrong sides together, aligning the short raw edges.



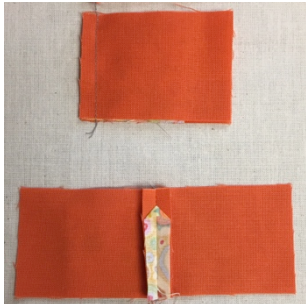
Place the rectangle B (already folded in half, wrong sides together) on top of one of the right side up C rectangles with raw edges aligned as shown.



Place the second C rectangle on top so that the two rectangles are right sides together with raw edges aligned and the folded B rectangle in between.

Stitch a 1/4" seam allowance along the short edge of the rectangles C, which encloses the folded rectangle B.

On the wrong side of the pieced unit finger press the seam open.

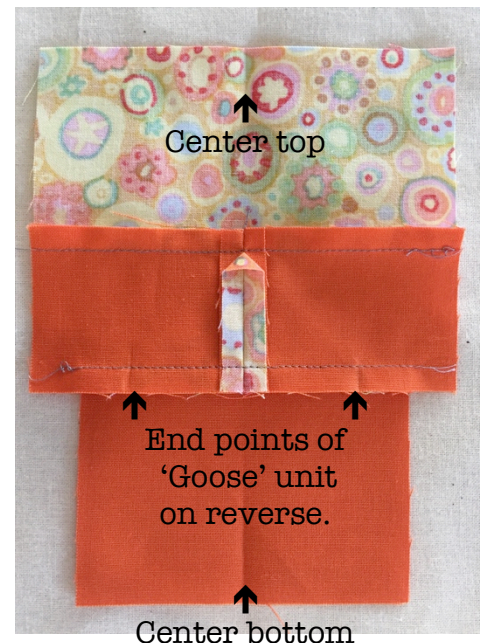


Open up the rectangle B as shown lining up the seam between the C rectangles with the finger pressed crease on rectangle B.



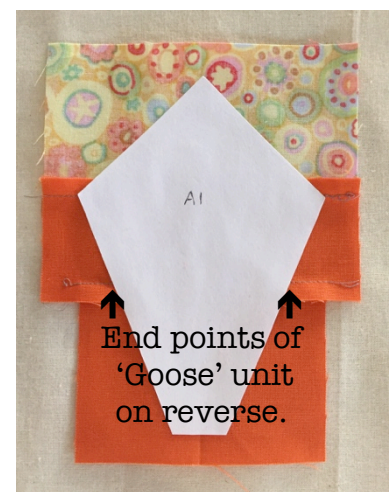
Attach rectangle A to the top of the B/C unit as shown, and a D rectangle centered onto the bottom of the unit. Press seam allowances away from the 'goose' unit.

Mark the center of the pieced unit at both the top and bottom. Also mark the end points of the 'goose' created by rectangle B



Place a dab of glue under the edge of the seam allowance between piece A and C to keep them from shifting during glue basting the wedge.

Glue baste wedge A1 template in place as shown, lining up the center line of the template, the sides of the paper template with the end points of the 'goose' unit, and the side points with the seam between A and C.





Cut out the fabric including a $\frac{3}{8}$ " seam allowance on all sides beyond the edge of the paper template.

I have decided to machine piece these Advance Pre-Piecing blocks, therefore the top edges of each wedge will be 'Closed Glue Basted' (page 15) and the side edges will be 'Open Glue Basted' (page 14).

Closed Glue Baste the top edges of the wedge as per the instruction on page 15 of *Distinctive Dresdens*.



In a correctly glue basted wedge you will see all the appropriate edges lined up when it is held up to a light.

Cut the remaining wedges required for Block 8 as shown on page 33 of *Distinctive Dresdens*. Piece together the wedges into facets.



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When machine piecing wedges together, stitch about a threads width away from the edge of the papers. Press each seam open after piecing. Piece the number of facets required for the block. In odd (3 or 5) faceted blocks the block may not fold in half exactly and therefore have to be handled gently while piecing the last seam so that the template papers do not release.

Complete the block as per the instructions in *Distinctive Dresdens*.



Square-Up & Fly Away



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