

Roosting Robin of the Month 2009 Fourth Round

This month we will appliqué the four corner triangles. You will use the same pattern as you used for the center but only one fourth of it.

Fabric

Background fabric – two 19 inch squares

Scraps for the flowers, leaves and stems. A FQ of each color will be enough for all of the flowers in the quilt. You should have plenty of fabric from the first month to do this month's appliqué.

One package "Lite Steam-a-Seam 2"

The patterns for the appliqué are without seam allowance and have been reversed. (If you are doing needle turn instead of fused raw edge, you will want to smooth out the points in pieces A through E.)

Preparing the Background Fabric

To start cut two 19 inch squares. Mark the one diagonal and stitch 1/4 of an inch from each side of the drawn line. This is a stay stitch so that the bias does not stretch as you work with the fabric. Once you have stay stitched the diagonal cut on the drawn line.

Preparing Raw edge Appliqué

I like to use "Lite Steam-A-Seam 2" for my fusible web but any lightweight double sided fusible web can be used. Please follow the instructions on the fusible web you choose.

For the appliqués you will make the following:

Part	Part Letter	Quantity
Petals of center flower	N	4
Center of center flower	O	4
Large side flowers	A, B, C, D, E	8
Flower stems	J	8
Centers for the small side flowers	M	12
Petals for the small side flowers	L	12
Leaves	I, H	16

Trace all of the pattern pieces onto the fusible web. If you are using "Steam-a-Seam 2" check to see that you are tracing on the side where the paper is hard to remove.

Cut apart the pieces of fusible web leaving at least 1/8 inch around each traced line. If a piece is more than 1/2 inch across, the cut out the center leaving about 1/4 inch inside the drawn line.

Remove the paper from the non-drawn side of the pieces and iron to your fabric as directed in the instruction for the fusible web.

After fusing the pieces to the wrong side of the fabric, trim the pieces on the drawn line. When cool remove the paper.

Fusing to Background

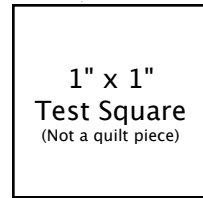
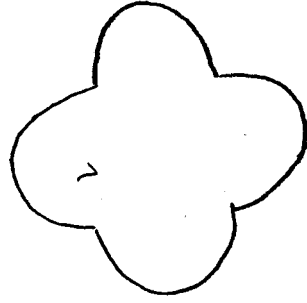
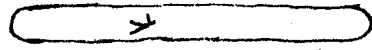
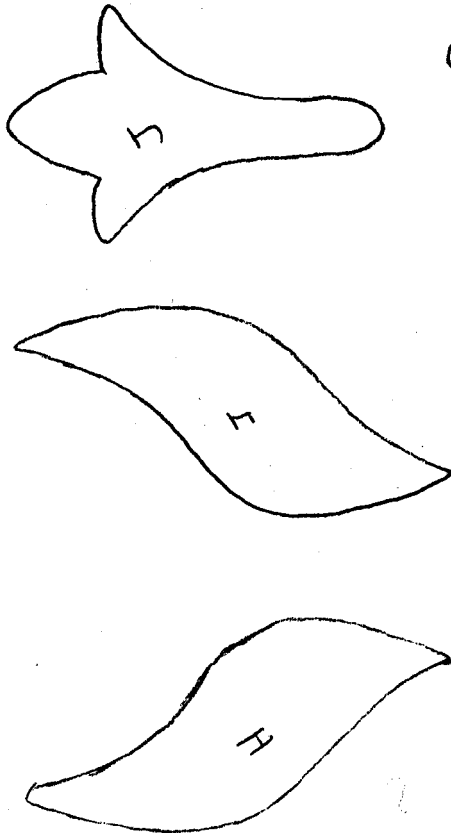
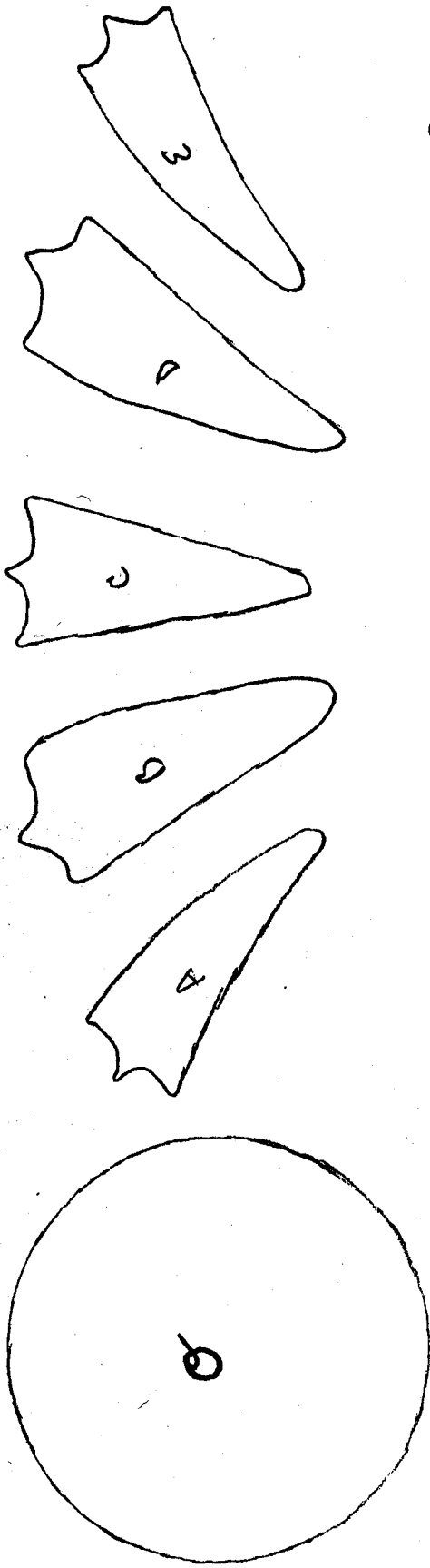
Place all of the pieces for each section down before fusing any of the pieces to the background fabric. The center of the "Center" flower is 4 3/4 inches from each edge measured from the 90 degree angle on the triangle. Start by placing A-E then K, next J. Next N then O and lastly L, M then H and I. I would recommend you use a pressing sheet to protect your iron.

Stitching Down Your Appliqué

You may use any stitch to permanently appliqué the pieces down. I like a button hole stitch or a very small zig-zag. If you want your pieces to look "folk" then use a large stitch in black thread. If you would like the stitching to disappear, use matching thread and a very small stitch.

Finishing.

Do not trim your finish triangles we will do this as part of the final round.



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