



Precision Piecing for Perfect Points

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Combine the speed of rotary cutting with the accuracy of templates to make stunning, intricate quilt blocks such as New York Beauty, Dahlia, and Whig's Defeat. Stitch my "Pride of the Prairie" quilt while learning this unique technique for precision machine piecing. Striplate Piecing was first developed by master quilter Debra Wagner. I used this technique, adding my own unique twist when I made my award winning quilt "Aunt MiMi's Triumph". Intermediate to advanced skills.

Finished quilt size: 16 1/2" x 25 1/2"

Flower block size: 8" square

Materials:

- ✓ Fat eighth (11" x 18") each of two shades of the same flower-colored solid, hand-dye or other print that reads as a solid, pre-washed and heavily starched
- ✓ 6" square of a color for the flower's center
- ✓ 1/2 yard of a background print, pre-washed and heavily starched
- ✓ Fat eighth each of two shades of green for stems and leaves
- ✓ 1/3 yard dark solid for border and binding (probably won't need for class)
- ✓ 5/8 yard backing fabric (not needed for class)
- ✓ 6" square of template plastic
- ✓ Ultra-fine line Sharpie marker
- ✓ Fabric marking pen or pencil (the washout kind)
- ✓ Paper-backed fusible webbing, for the leaves and stems

Equipment:

- ✓ Sewing machine, clean and in good working order
- ✓ Several bobbins filled with neutral color thread
- ✓ Rotary cutter and mat
- ✓ Rotary cutting rulers, 6" x 12" and 8" or larger square-up ruler or others
- ✓ Seam ripper or ball-point awl
- ✓ Glass-head pins
- ✓ 18" square piece of freezer paper
- ✓ Pencil and/or Sharpie marker
- ✓ Scissors