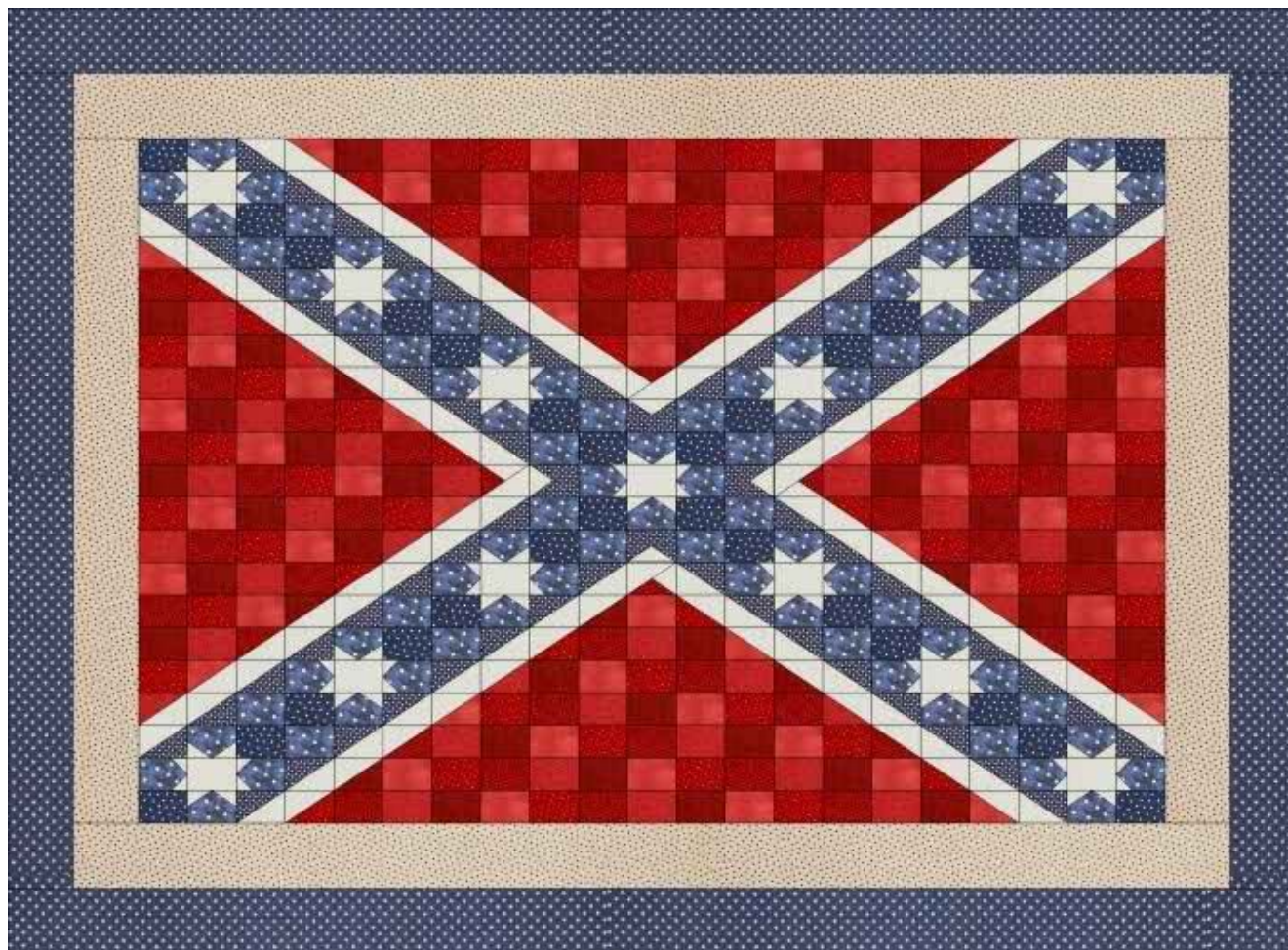


# Pattern for Lap Size Confederate Flag Quilt Top

SIZE  
79" x 58"



## Choosing your fabrics

This quilt requires several different red, white and blue fabrics to create the “patchwork” effect. Decide what shades of the colors you want for your quilt. Bright colors and white will create a very bold quilt, whereas brick reds and/or burgundy shades, dark blues and/or grayish blues along with off-white or tan will create more of an old fashioned look. When choosing colors, prints will work the best and make for a more interesting pattern. Listed below are fabric and supplies needed.

- You need 4 different red fabrics: 5/8 yd. each
- You need 3 different blue fabrics: 5/8 yd. each for 2 of them, and 1/3 yd. for the third one.
- You need 1 white or off-white: 1 1/8 yd.
- Fabric for your first border: 7/8 yd.
- Fabric for a second border: 1 yd.
- Neutral color thread, Pins, Iron and an ironing board
- Use a ruler and a rotary cutter **-OR-** a ruler to draw straight lines with a pencil, then scissors to cut with to ensure straight and even cuts.
- Finishing supplies (backing, batting, and binding)

## Cutting the Pieces

- Cut all strips selvage to selvage.
- Get a blank piece of paper so you can staple a small piece of each fabric to it and mark the letter label next to it. Label the 4 different reds A, B, C, and D. Label the 2 blues with the higher yardage amount E and F. Label the remaining blue G. Label the first border K, the second border L, and the third border M. H, I, and J labels will be needed later. While sewing and following the directions you can refer back to these pieces to help you remember what the different fabrics are labeled.
- Start with the red fabric. Do these steps for each of the 4 red fabrics (A, B, C, and D): Cut 5 strips 3.5” wide for each of the fabrics A, B, C, and D. Set 4 of the 5 strips aside. With the remaining strip, cut it into 2.5” pieces, so you have rectangles that are 3.5” x 2.5”.
- Next cut the first two blue fabrics (E and F): Cut 7 strips 2.5” wide of each fabric E and F. Set 4 of the 7 strips aside. With the remaining 3 strips, cut them into 3.5” pieces so you have rectangles that are 3.5” x 2.5”.
- Cut the third blue (fabric G): Cut 3 strips 2.5” wide of fabric G. Set 2 of the 3 strips aside. With the remaining strip, cut it into 3.5” pieces so you have rectangles that are 3.5” x 2.5”.
- There are going to be three different cuts for the white or off-white fabric and they each are labeled a different letter.  
This first set of pieces will be labeled H: Cut 1 strip 3.5” wide. Cut it into 2.5” pieces so you have rectangles that are 3.5” x 2.5”.  
These pieces will be labeled I: Cut 8 strips 2.25” wide.  
These pieces will be labeled J: Cut 6 strips 2” wide. Cut the length of all of these strips into 2” pieces so you have squares that are 2” x 2”.
- Cutting the first border: Cut 6 strips 4.5” wide. Cut 2 of them in half.
- Cutting the second border: Cut 7 strips 4.25” wide. Cut 1 of them in half.

# Confederate Flag Quilt Top Kit

## Instructions

Finished size of the quilt top will be approximately 79" x 58"

## Sewing and seam allowances

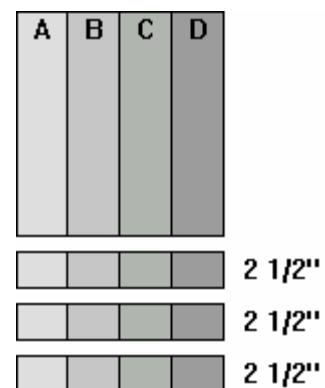
Sew an accurate and consistent  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance throughout the quilt. To make this easier, use a presser foot with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " edge so you can line up the edges of the fabric with the side of the presser foot. You may also use a magnetic seam guide placed on the metal plate under the presser foot to help guide the fabric. When sewing use a small stitch, at least 14 to 15 stitches per inch. This way you do not need to backstitch. Before you start sewing, take off the top piece of each fabric red A, B, C, D, blue E, F, G, and white J. Leave the letter labels on them and set them aside. You may not need these pieces to complete the quilt top. While sewing and following the directions you can refer back to these pieces to help you remember what the different fabrics are labeled.

## Pressing

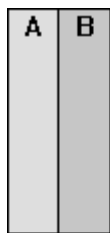
Strips or pairs are sewn right sides together. Before opening, lay the strips flat and lightly press to set the seam. Then open and press seam allowances to one side. Make sure there are no folds at the seam line. Turn over and press the reverse side and check that the seam allowances are pressed in the right direction.

## Getting Started

1. Start with one each of the red strips labeled A, B, C, and D. Sew strip A to strip B right sides together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowances toward strip A. Sew strip C to the long open edge of strip B, right sides together. Press seam allowances toward strip B. Sew strip D to the long open edge of strip C, right sides together. Press seam allowances toward strip C. When done, this should look similar to the figure to the left. All seam allowances should be pressed in the same direction. Cut the length of this finished piece into  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces. Use a ruler and marking pen or a rotary cutter to ensure straight and even cuts. Stack and set these pieces aside.

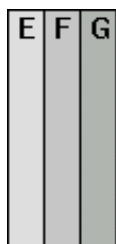


2. Repeat step 1 with the 2 more sets of red strips.



3. Sew another red strip A to another red strip B right side together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowances toward strip A. Cut the length of this finished piece into 2 1/2" pieces.

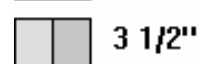
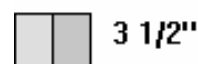
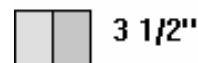
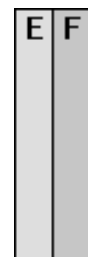
4. Sew another red strip C to another red strip D right side together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowances toward strip C. Cut the length of this finished piece into 2 1/2" pieces.



5. Take one each of the blue strips labeled E, F, and G. Sew strip E to strip F right sides together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowances toward strip E. Sew strip G to the long open edge of strip F, right sides together. Press seam allowances toward strip F. When done, this should look similar to the figure to the left. All seam allowances should be pressed in the same direction. Cut the length of this finished piece into 3 1/2" pieces. Use a ruler and marking pen or a rotary cutter as before to ensure straight and even cuts. Stack and set these pieces aside.

6. Repeat step 5 with only one more set of blue strips.

7. Take one each of the blue strips labeled E and F. Sew strip E to strip F right sides together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowances toward strip E. When done, this should look similar to the figure to the left. Cut the length of this finished piece into 3 1/2" pieces. Use a ruler and marking pen or a rotary cutter as before to ensure straight and even cuts. Stack and set these pieces aside. Repeat this step with the remaining blue E and F strips.



## Assembling the Rows

8. Sew 4 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together, connecting the end of one piece (fabric D) to the beginning of the next piece (fabric A). You should have one long row 16 pieces long. The edge with fabric A will be referred to as the beginning of the row. The edge with fabric D will be referred to as the end of the row. Press seam allowances in the same direction of the ones that are already pressed. Trim off the very end piece (fabric D), being careful not to trim any of the C piece it is attached to. Your finished row should be 15 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. To keep track of which row this is, pin a small piece of paper labeled #1 to this row. You should put the label on the beginning of the row so you can also keep track of which direction the row will go when putting them together. Repeat this step so you have two #1 rows.

A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C
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9. Sew 3 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Sew one of the small 2.5" x 3.5" pieces of red fabric D to the BEGINNING of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowance in the same direction. Your finished row should be 13 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Label this row #2, and repeat so you have two #2 rows.

D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
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10. Sew 2 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Sew a red CD piece to the BEGINNING of the row, right sides together, attaching the D piece to the beginning A piece. Press seam allowance in the same direction. Sew one of the small 2.5" x 3.5" pieces of red fabric A to the END of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowance in the same direction. Your finished row should be 11 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Label this row #3, and repeat so you have two #3 rows.

C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A
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11. Sew 2 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Sew a red AB piece to the END of the row, right sides together, attaching the A piece to the end D piece. Press seam allowance in the same direction. Trim off the very beginning piece (fabric A), being careful not to trim any of the B piece it is attached to. Your finished row should be 9 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Label this row #4, and repeat so you have two #4 rows.

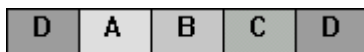
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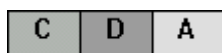
12. Sew 2 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Trim off the very end piece (fabric D), being careful not to trim any of the C piece it is attached to. Your finished row should be 7 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Label this row #5, and repeat so you have two #5 rows.



13. Take one of the red ABCD pieces and sew a single fabric D piece to the BEGINNING of the row. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Your finished row should be 5 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Label this row #6, and repeat so you have two #6 rows.

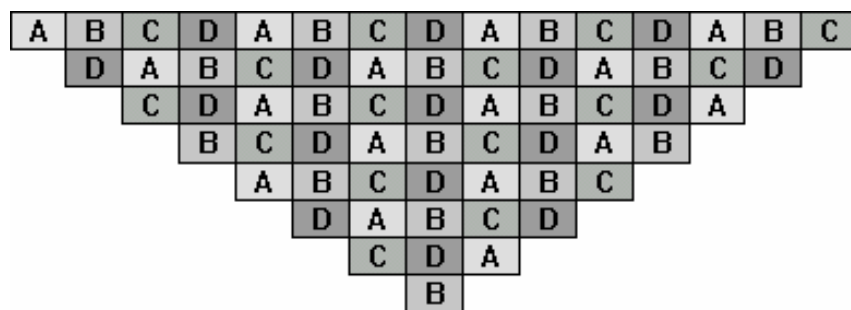


14. Take a red CD piece and sew it to a red AB piece, right sides together, and attaching D to A. Trim off the end B piece being careful not to trim any of the A piece it is attached to. Your finished row should be 3 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Label this row #7, and repeat so you have two #7 rows.



15. Just one single B piece is going to make rows #8.

16. Lay out one set of the rows by number on a large table or the floor, right sides up, top row being #1. See picture.



17. Fold row #1 down over row #2, right sides together, matching top edge. When you sew these rows, remember that the length of the top row is one piece longer on each end it needs to stay that way. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance toward row #1. Fold row #3 over row #4, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #3. Fold row #5 over row #6, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #5. Fold row #7 over row #8, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #7.
18. Lay out the rows by number again. Fold the row 1 & 2 piece over the 3 & 4 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance the same direction as the others. Fold the 5 & 6 piece over the 7 & 8 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance.

**19.** Lay out the 2 big pieces by number again. Fold the 1,2,3,4 piece over the 5,6,7,8 piece, right sides together, matching the top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance.

**20.** Repeat steps 16, 17, 18, and 19 with the other set of rows so you have two large pieces that look like the picture below step 16. You can now take off the row labels, but save them for these next steps.

**21.** Take four single red C pieces and label two of them row #1, and two of them row #15.

**22.** Take four red AB pieces and label two of them row #2 and two of them row #14. A being the beginning of the row.

**23.** Take a red CD piece and sew it to a red AB piece, right sides together, and attaching D to A. Press seam allowance. Trim off the end B piece being careful not to trim any of the A piece it is attached to. Your finished row should be 3 pieces long. Repeat three more times and label two of them row #3 and two of them row #13. C being the beginning of the row.

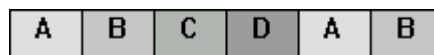


**24.** Take four red ABCD pieces and label two of them row #4 and two of them row #12, A being the front of the row.

**25.** Take a red ABCD piece and sew a red CD piece, right sides together, to the BEGINNING of the row, attaching the D piece to the beginning A piece. Press seam allowance. Trim off the very end D piece, careful not to cut any of the C piece it is attached to. Your finished row should be 5 pieces long. Repeat this three more times and label two of them row #5 and two of them row #11.



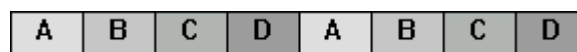
**26.** Take a red ABCD piece and sew a red AB piece, right sides together, to the END of the row, attaching the A piece to the end D piece. Press seam allowance. Your finished row should be 6 pieces long. Repeat this three more times and label two of them row #6 and two of them row #10.



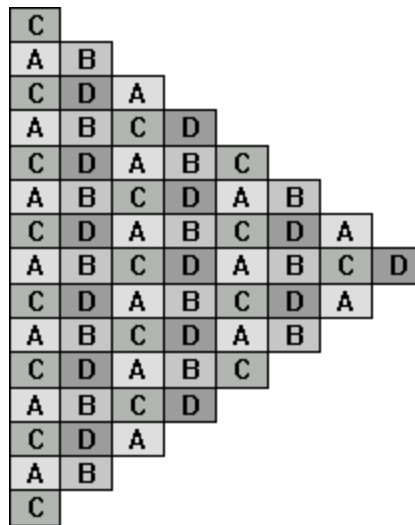
**27.** Take a red ABCD piece and sew a red CD piece, right sides together, to the BEGINNING of the row, attaching the D piece to the beginning A piece. Sew a single A piece to the END of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowances. Your finished row should be 7 pieces long. Repeat this three more times and label two of them row #7 and two of them row #9



**28.** Sew 2 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances. Repeat once. You will only need two of these, and you can label both of them row #8.



- 29.** Lay out one set of the rows by number on a large table or the floor, right sides up like the picture below.

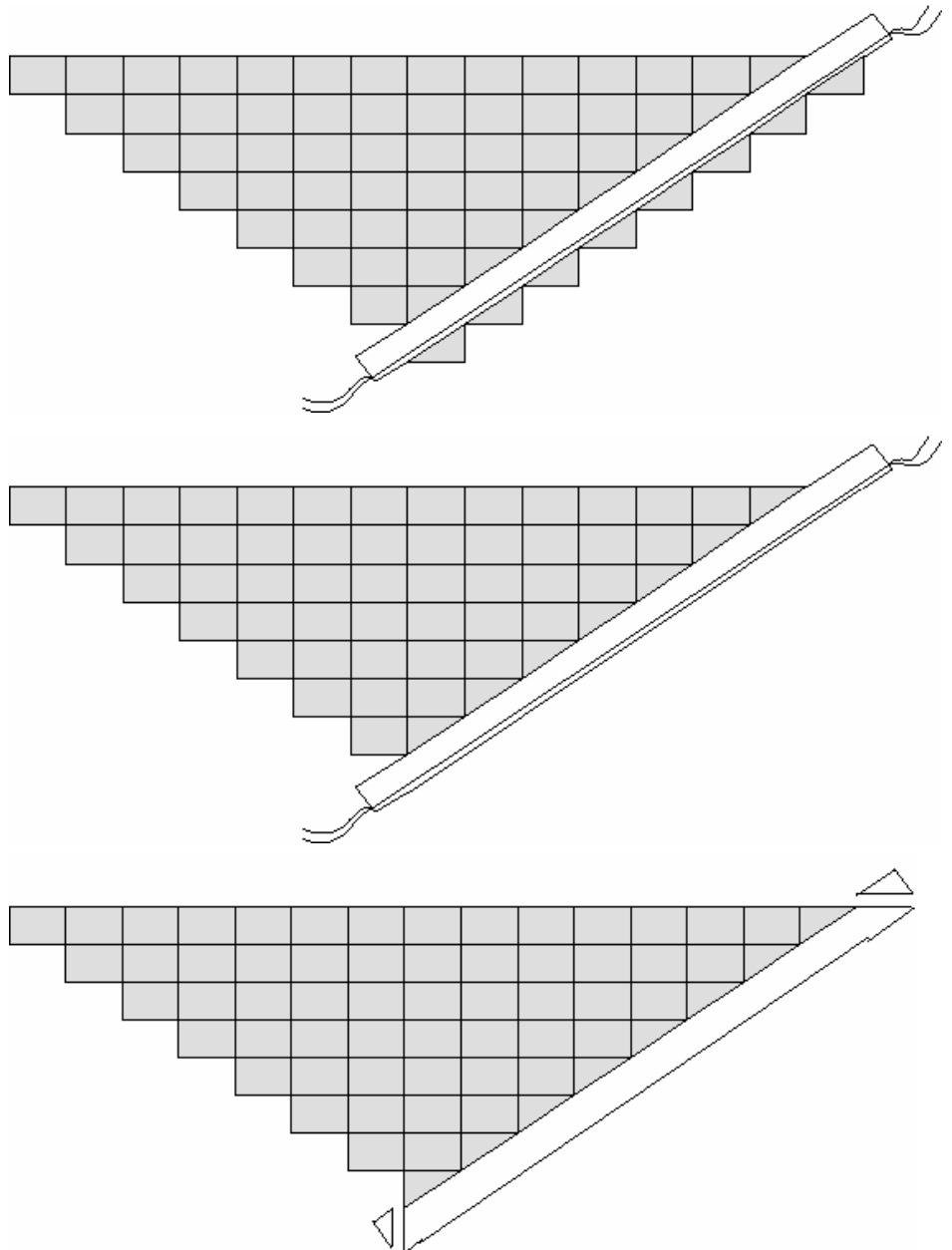


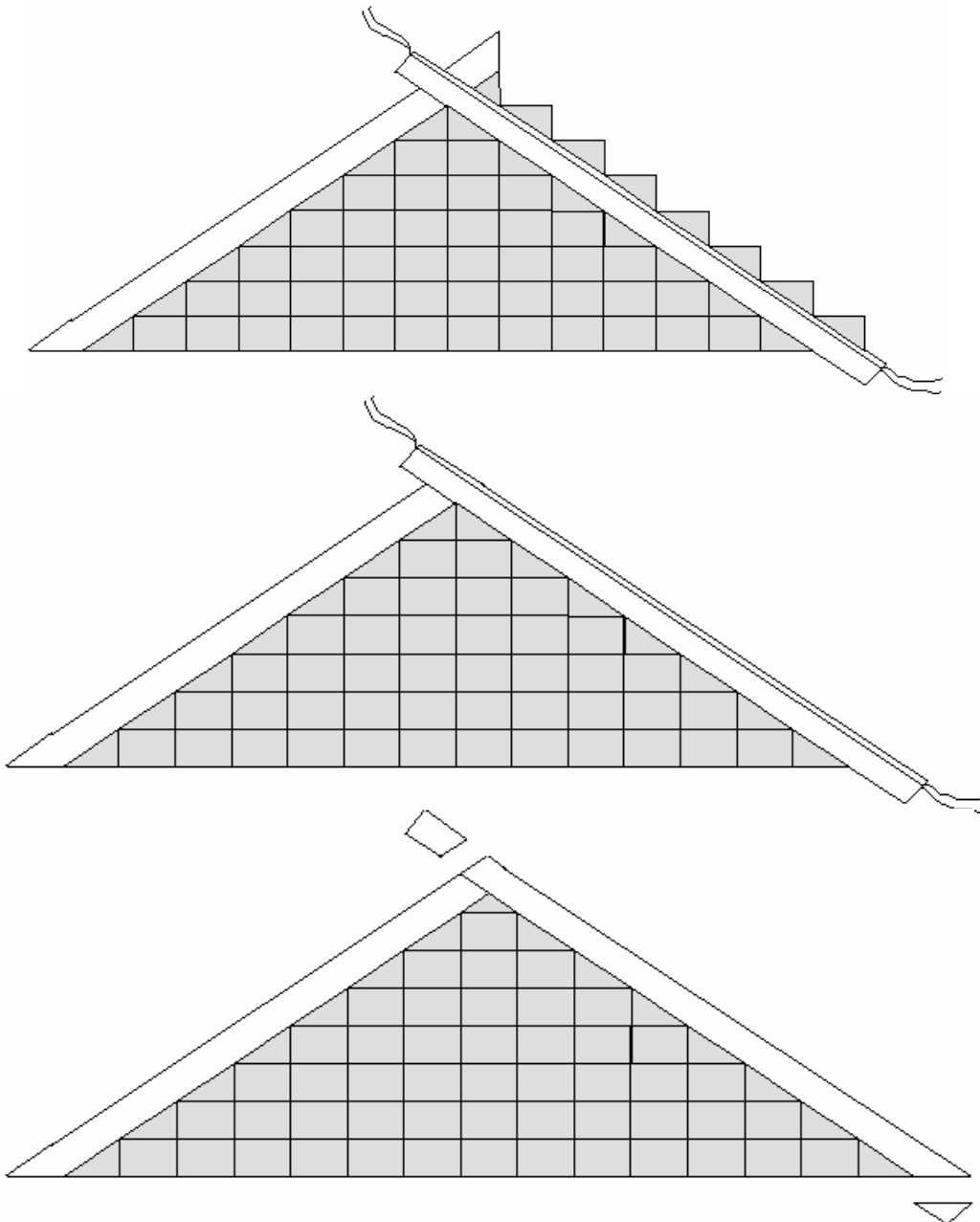
- 30.** Fold row #1 down over row #2, right sides together, matching top edge. When you sew these rows, remember that the length of the top row is one piece shorter at the end, but even at the beginning, and it needs to stay that way. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance toward row #1. Fold row #3 over row #4, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #3. Fold row #5 over row #6, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #5. Fold row #7 over row #8, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #7.
- 31.** Fold row #9 down over row #10, right sides together, matching top edge. When you sew these rows, remember that the length of the top row is one piece longer at the end, but even at the beginning, and it needs to stay that way. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance toward row #9. Fold row #11 over row #12, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #11. Fold row #13 over row #14, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #13.
- 32.** Lay out the rows by number again. Fold the row 1 & 2 piece over the 3 & 4 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance the same direction as the others. Fold the 5 & 6 piece over the 7 & 8 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 9 & 10 piece over the 11 & 12 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 13 & 14 piece over the 15 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance.
- 33.** Lay out the rows by number again. Fold the 1, 2, 3, 4 piece over the 5, 6, 7, 8 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 9,10,11,12 piece over the 13,14,15 piece, right sides together, matching the top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance.



- 34.** Lay out the 2 big pieces by number again. Fold the 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 piece over the 9,10,11,12,13,14,15 piece, right sides together, matching the top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance.
- 35.** Repeat steps 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34 with the other set of rows so you have two large pieces that look like the picture below step 29. You can now take off the row labels, but save them. You will need some of them later.

- 36.** Take one of the large red triangle pieces and sew a white I strip to it as shown, right sides together. Match the edge of the white strip to the inside corners of the red pieces, but leave at least an inch extra of the white strip at the top and the bottom. Trim the corners of the red pieces off, but do not trim any of the white strip. Press open the seam and press seam allowance toward the red part. Trim the edges of the white strip even as shown in the picture. Do this with all four large red triangle pieces.

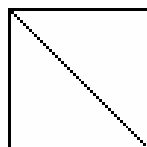




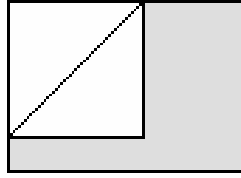
**37.** Sew a white I strip to the other side of the large red triangle pieces as shown, right sides together, and matching the edge of the white strip to the inside corners of the red pieces. Again, leave at least an inch extra of the white strip at the top and the bottom. Trim the corners of the red pieces off, along with the tip of the first white strip at the point of the triangle, as shown in the picture.

Press open the seam and press seam allowance toward the red part. Trim the edges of the white strip even as shown in the picture. Do this with all four large red triangle pieces. Set these four pieces aside for now.

**38.** Take the small fabric J pieces and using a ruler and pencil, draw a light line diagonally from one corner to the other. Be sure to do this on the wrong side of the fabric. If you are experienced with a sewing machine and you would have no trouble sewing a straight line from one corner to the other, then you may skip this step.



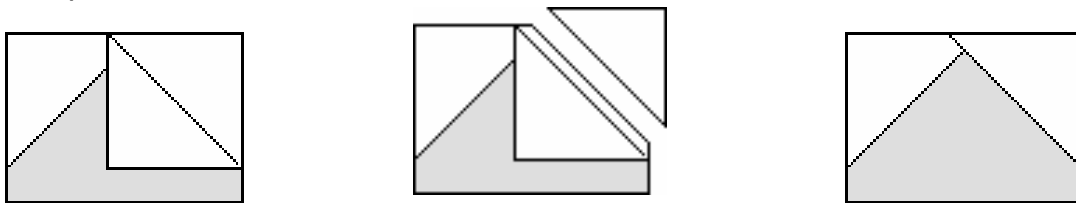
- 39.** Take one of the blue fabric F pieces and lay it face up on the table. Now place one of the fabric J squares face down on it matching it to the upper left corner. Position your pencil mark so it looks like the picture below. Pin the 2 pieces together. Sew along your pencil mark.



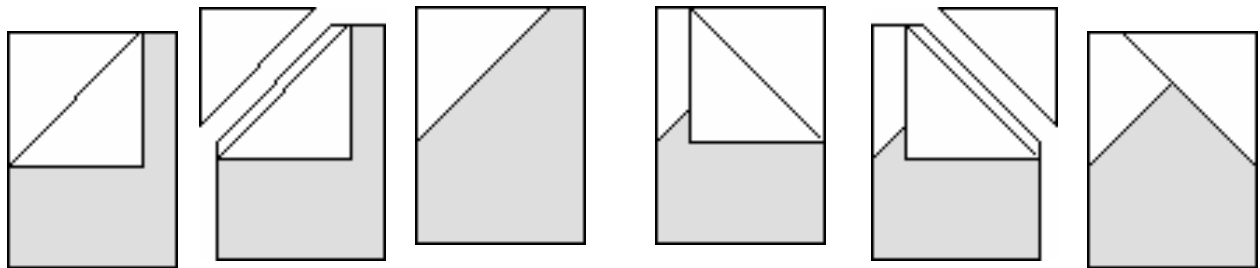
- 40.** Now trim the corner of the square (cutting through both layers) to approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the seam line. Fold up triangle section (fabric J) and press.



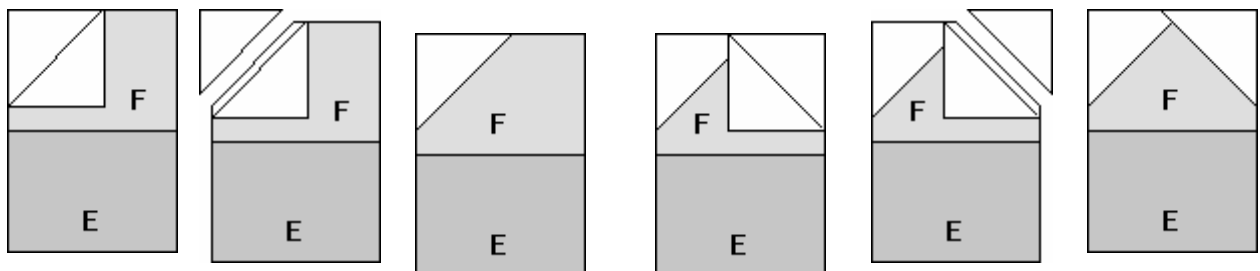
- 41.** Place a fabric J piece face down in the upper right corner. Position your pencil mark so it looks like the picture below. Pin the 2 pieces together. Sew along your pencil mark. Trim the corner. Fold up triangle section and press. Repeat so you have 4 of these pieces. Stack and set aside.



- 42.** Do this same procedure to the short end of the fabric F pieces. You will need a total of 26 of these pieces. Stack and set aside.



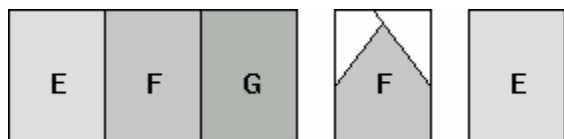
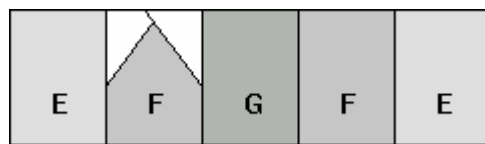
- 43.** Take a blue EF piece and do this same procedure to the F end of the piece. You will need a total of 22 of these pieces. Stack and set aside.



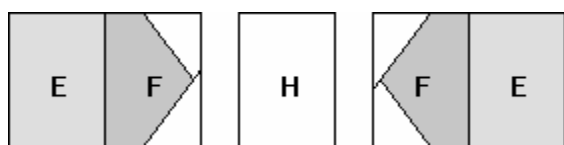
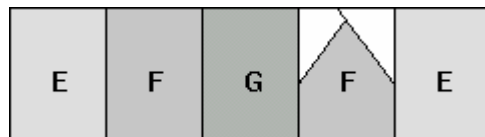
**44.** The following pictures are for the blue rows. The first picture shows the pieces needed to make it, and the second shows what the completed row should look like. As before, all pieces are sewn right sides together. In between the pictures it tells you how many of that particular row is needed. Stack rows of the same kind in a pile and label the pile with the row number.



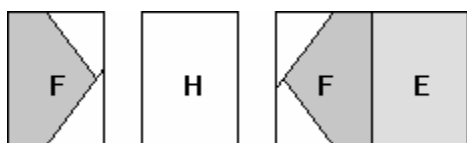
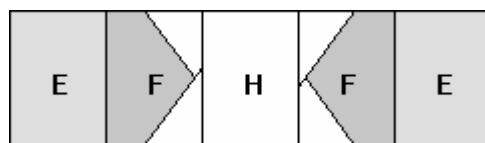
You will need 10 of these. Label the pile row #1.



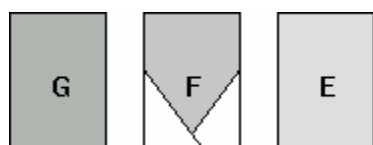
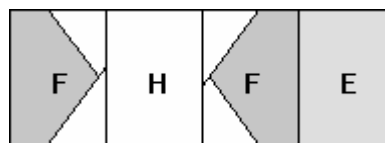
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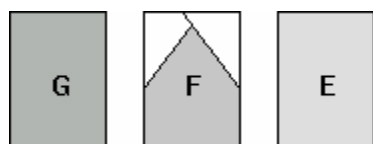
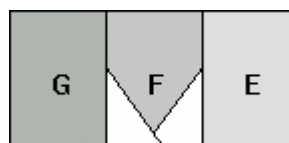
You will need 9 of these. Label the pile row #3.



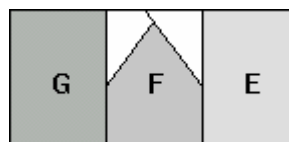
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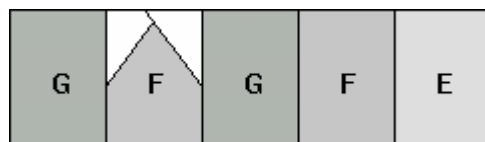
You will need 2 of these. Label the pile row #5.



You will need 2 of these. Label the pile row #6.



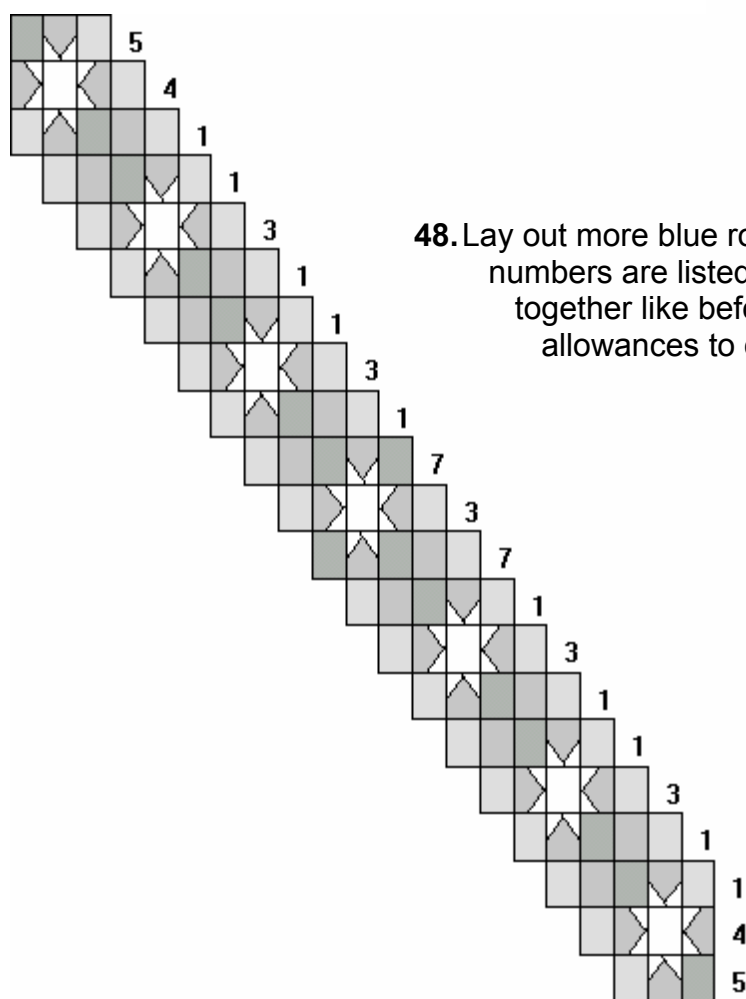
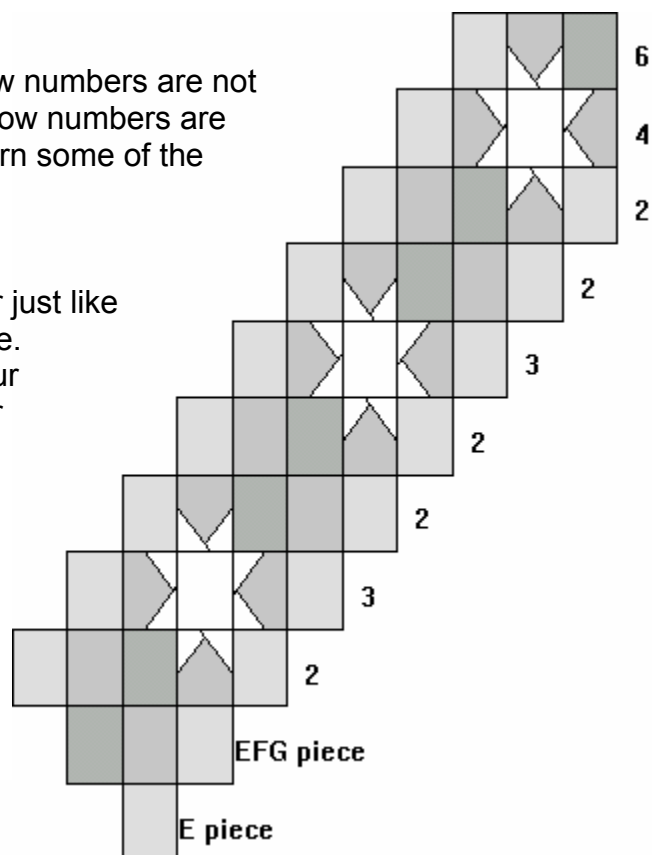
You will need 2 of these. Label the pile row #7.



**45.** Lay out the blue rows as pictured. The row numbers are not going to be consecutive like before. The row numbers are listed next to the row. You may have to turn some of the rows so they follow the picture.

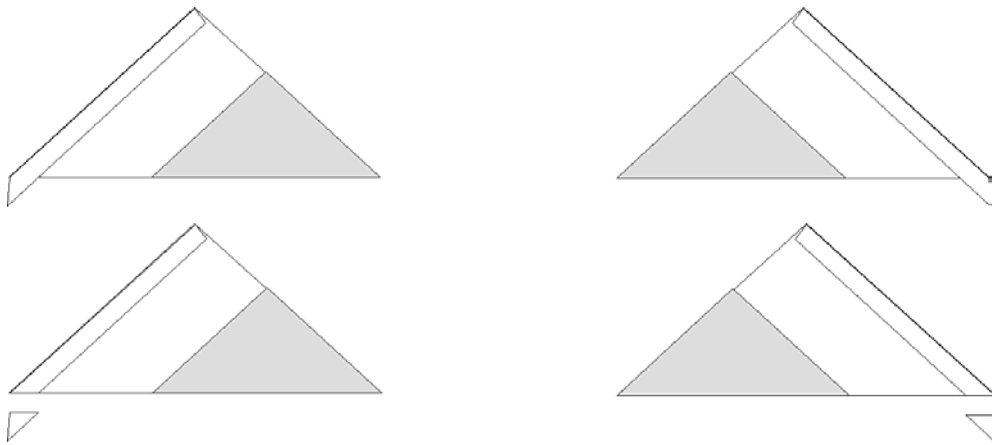
**46.** You are going to sew these rows together just like you did the red rows until it is all one piece. Again, when sewing these, remember your spacing and that some ends are longer or shorter than the one you are sewing it to. Press seam allowances all to one direction.

**47.** Repeat steps 45 and 46 so you have 2 of these pieces pictured to the right.

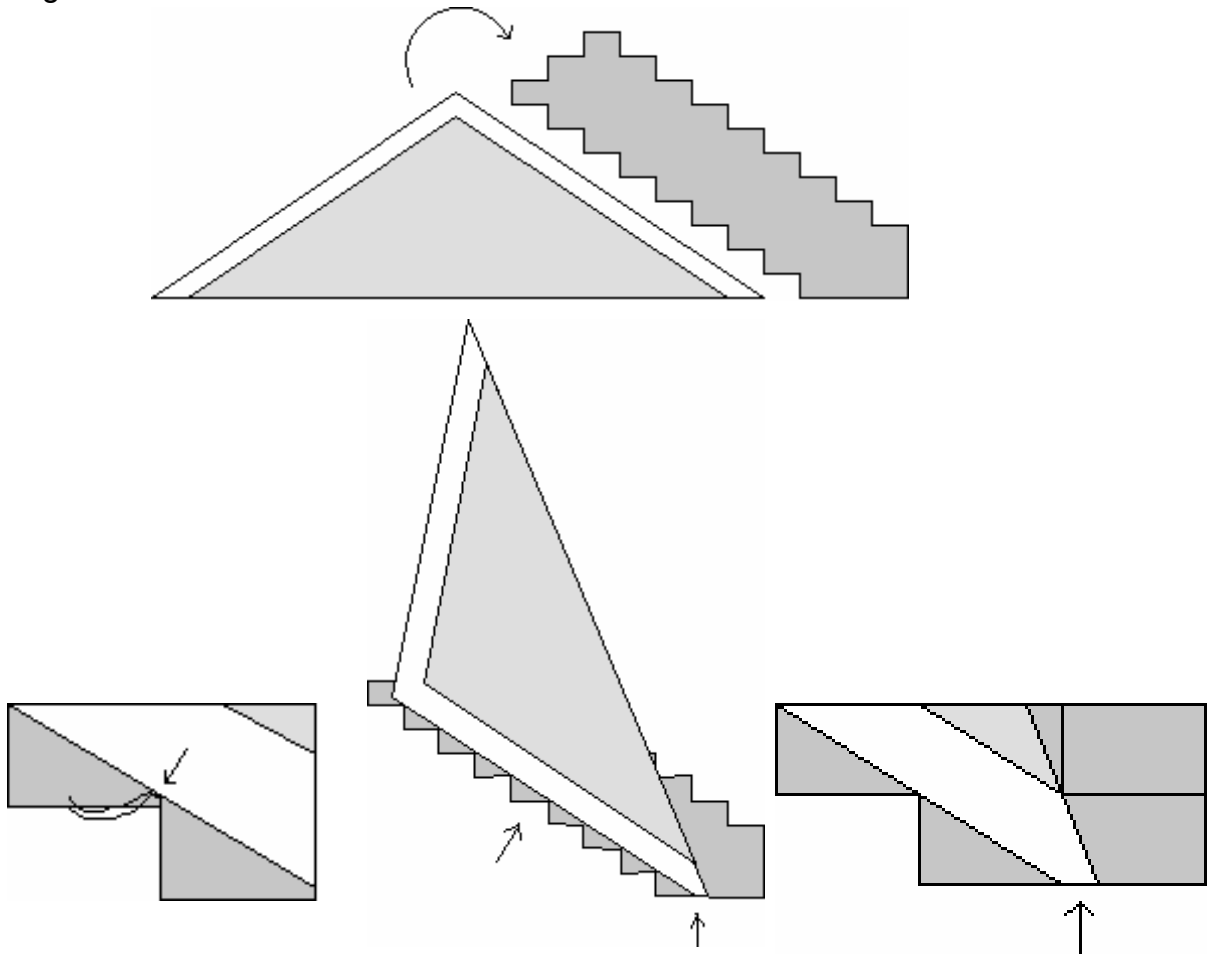


**48.** Lay out more blue rows as pictured to the left. Again the row numbers are listed next to the row. Sew these rows together like before until it is all one piece. Press seam allowances to one direction.

- 49.** Fold over and lightly press  $\frac{1}{4}$ " of the edge of the white strip at the 2 bottom corners on each of the red triangle pieces. A little bit of the corner extends past the rest of the piece. Trim this even with the rest of the piece. Unfold and press open again.

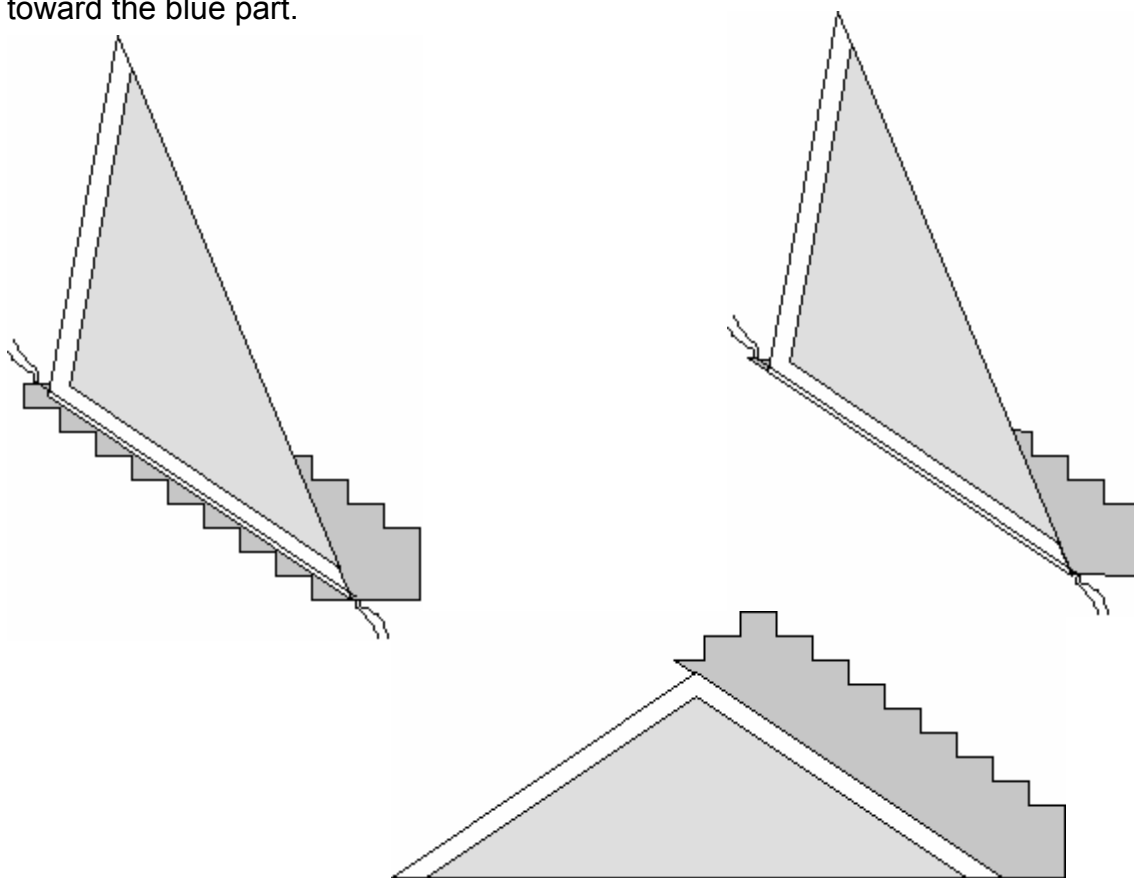


- 50.** Lay out one of the longer red triangle pieces and one of the short blue pieces. Flip the red piece over onto the blue piece, right sides together. Match up the edge of the white strip with the inside corners of the blue piece. If you can see your seam allowances on the blue piece, then be sure to match it up with where the seam is. Also match up the bottom corner that was trimmed. You may want to pin this to avoid shifting.

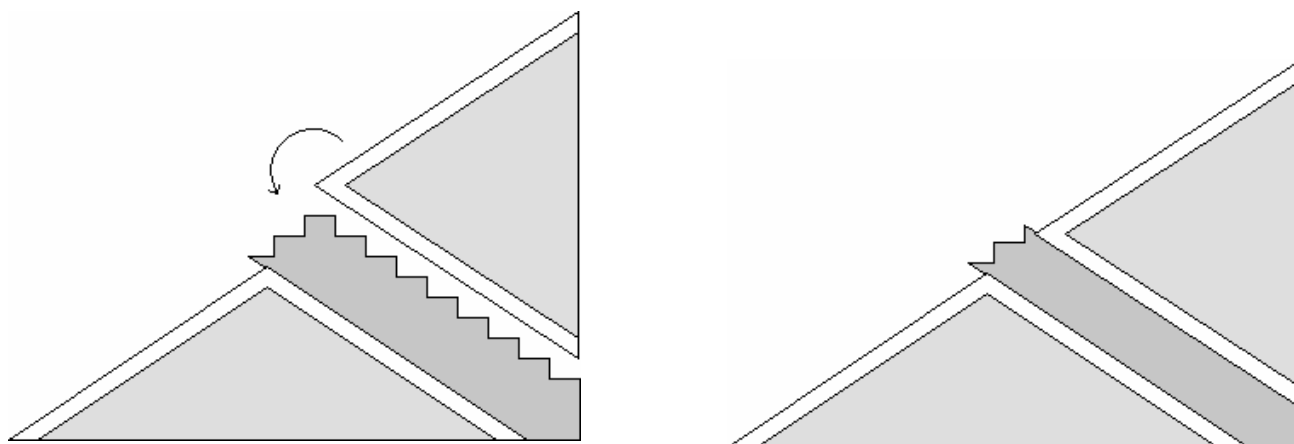




- 51.** Sew along the white strip. Trim off the blue corners. Press open with seam allowance toward the blue part.

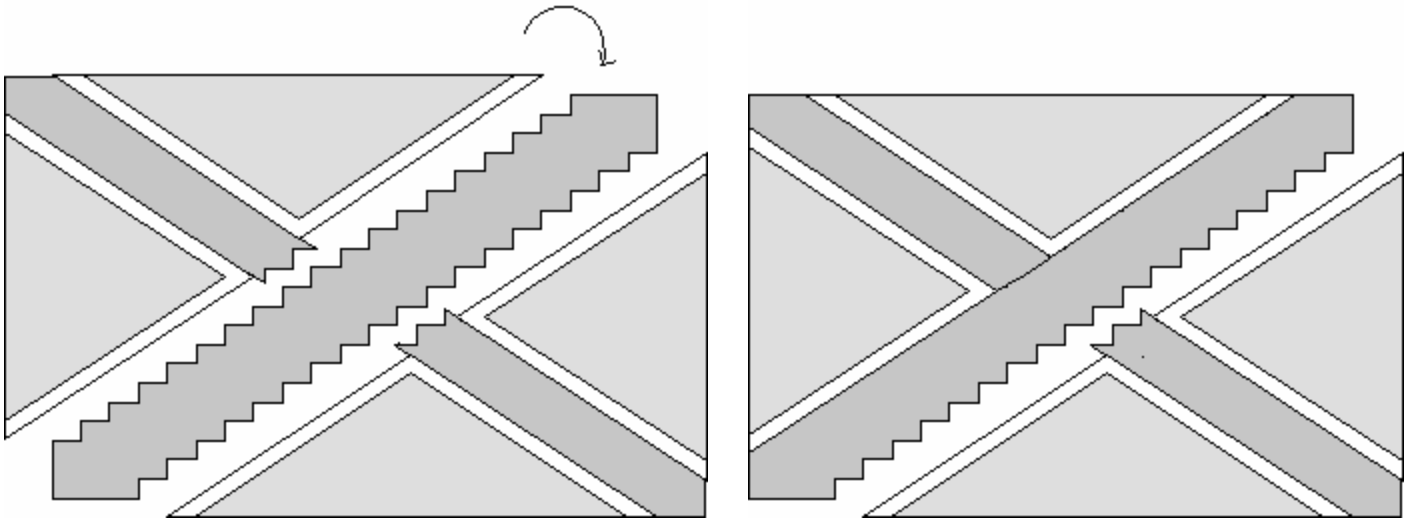


- 52.** Flip one of the shorter triangle pieces onto the open blue edge, right sides together. Match up edges, pin, sew, and trim blue corners same as before. Press seam allowances toward the blue part.

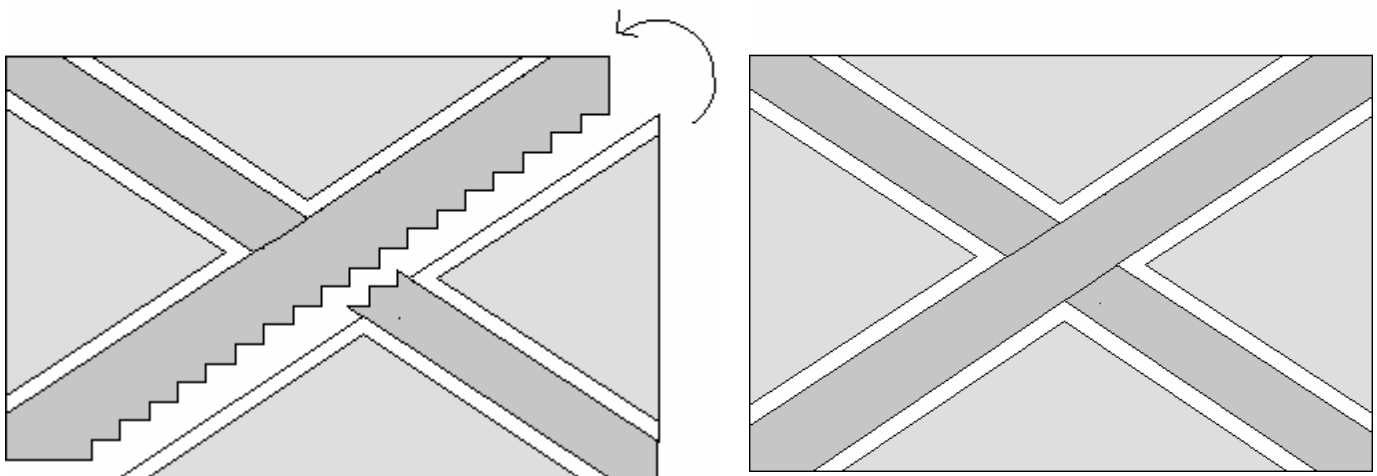


**53.** Repeat steps 50, 51, and 52 with the other short blue piece and the other 2 triangle pieces so you have 2 of the big pieces pictured under step 52.

**54.** Lay out these 2 big pieces along with the long blue piece as shown. Flip the top piece onto the blue piece and match up the middle blue corners of both pieces. Match up as best you can the edge of the white strips to the inside corners of the blue piece. Again, if you can see your seam allowances on the blue piece, then be sure to match it up with where the seam is. Also try and match up the bottom corner of the white pieces that were trimmed. These may not match up exactly, so just match them up as good as possible. You may want to pin this to avoid shifting. Sew, trim blue corners, and press seam allowance toward the long blue part.



**55.** Repeat this procedure with the other side. Press seam allowance toward the long blue strip.



**56.** Trim any uneven corners or edges if necessary.

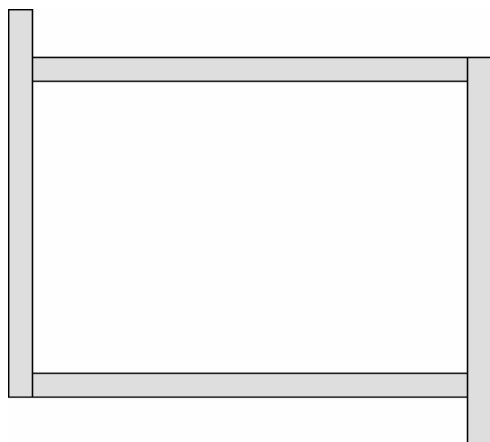
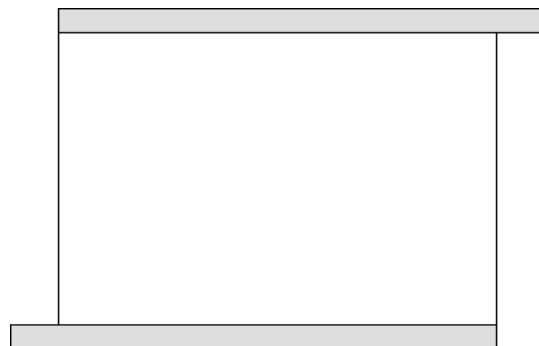
## SEWING THE BORDERS

- 57.** Take border fabric K. Sew together 1 long piece and 1 short piece right sides together to make one long piece as shown below. Press seam to one side. Repeat three more times with the remaining border fabric K, so you have a total of 4 of these pieces.



- 58.** Sew the border K to the flag right sides together as shown, along the top and bottom edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.

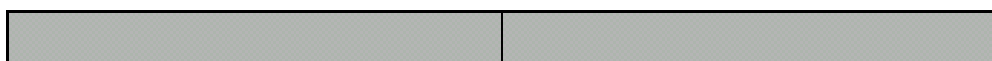
- 59.** Trim the excess border fabric to make it straight and even with the edge of the flag.



- 60.** Sew the border K to the flag right sides together as shown, along the side edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.

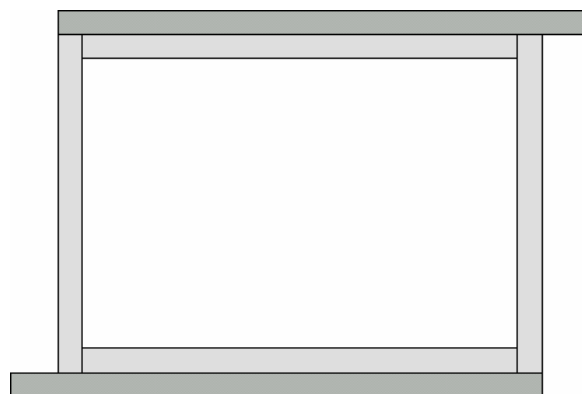
- 61.** Trim the excess border fabric to make the edge straight and even.

- 62.** Take border fabric L. Sew together 2 long pieces, right sides together, to make one very long piece as shown below. Repeat, so you have a total of 2 of these pieces.

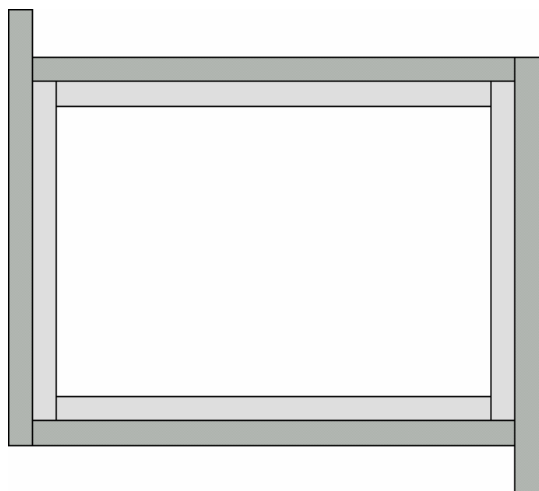


- 63.** Sew these pieces to the flag right sides together as shown, along the top and bottom edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.

- 64.** Trim the excess border fabric to make the edge straight and even.



- 65.** Sew together 1 long piece and 1 short piece of border fabric L, right sides together, to make one long piece as shown. Press seam to one side. Repeat so you have a total of 2 of these pieces.



- 66.** Sew these pieces to the flag right sides together as shown, along the side edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.

- 67.** Trim the excess border fabric to make the edge straight and even. Your finished quilt top will measure approximately 79" x 58".

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