

“Nouveau” Peony

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Supply List -

Background: Fat Quarter

Red Fabric: 3” x WOF strip

Green Fabric: Fat Quarter

Optional: Ribbon, Rick Rack or other embellishments
for stems and/or leaves



Cutting Chart:

Background:

- (6) 2 1/2” squares
- (5) 3” squares
- (1) 4 1/2” x 12 1/2” strip

Green Fabric:

- (2) 2 1/2” squares
- (2) 3” squares
- Leaves (using applique shape)
- Stem (Made using 1/2” bias or embellishments)

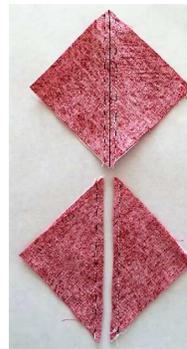
Red Fabric:

- (6) 2 1/2” squares
- (3) 3” squares
- (4) (2) 2” squares

- Neutral Thread
- 6” square of fusible

Step 1: Making the Half Square Triangles -

Draw line on the diagonal of all (5) 3” background squares. Place (1) background square right sides together with (1) 3” red square. Sew 1/4” on either side of drawn line. Cut apart on drawn line. Press open to create 2 Half Square Triangle units. Square to 2 1/2”. Repeat steps to make (6) red HST units and (4) green HST units.

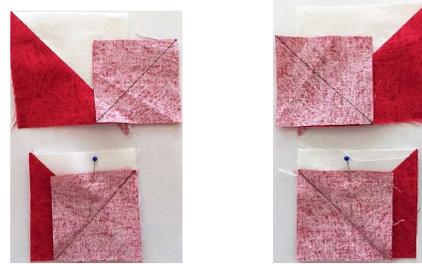


Step 2: Making the Peony points -

Using (2) red 2 1/2" HST units and (2) red 2" squares you will create the points at the top of the Peony block. Draw a line on the diagonal on the wrong side of the red 2" square. Place (1) red 2" square right sides together with (1) red 2 1/2" HST unit as shown. Sew a seam about a needles width to the inside of the drawn line. Trim away excess and press open. Repeat with second red HST unit noting the rotation of the HST unit when adding the red 2" square. Square to 2 1/2".

Sew both units together noting the rotation of the HST units and using a scant 1/4" seam.

Unit should measure 2 1/2" x 4 1/2".



Note how you will turn the HST units in opposite directions when adding the corner red 2" square.

Step 3: Assemble the flower rows -

Assemble flower in rows as follows:

Row 1: (4) 2 1/2" background squares and flower point unit from step 2.

Row 2: (2) 2 1/2" background squares, (2) 2 1/2" red squares and (2) red 2 1/2" HST units.

Row 3: (4) 2 1/2" red squares and (2) red 2 1/2" HST units.

Complete each row and then sew Row 1 to Row 2 and then add Row 3 to the bottom of Row 2. This section should measure 6 1/2" x 12 1/2".

Step 4: Assemble the leaf row -

Row 4: (2) green 2 1/2" squares and (4) green 2 1/2" HST units. (Note rotation of HST units in this row.)

Sew this row to the bottom of Row 3. (NOTE: if adding ribbon, rick rack or other embellishments as your stem you will want to insert it into the seam before adding Row 4 to Row 3.)



← Square each unit to 2 1/2".

← Sew units together using "scant" 1/4" seam.



← Row 1

← Row 2

← Row 3

← Row 4

← Base

Step 5: Adding the base -

Sew (1) 4 1/2" x 12 1/2" background strip to bottom of Row 4. Applique stem and leaves using your favorite method to complete the block. Square to 12 1/2".