

# Fairfield Rose Block

## Cutting:

Cut strips across the fabric width or crosswise grain. Quantities are shown for each block.



## Sunny Rose:

Lime Green	1	3" square
	4	2½" squares
Yellow	2	3" squares
	4	2½" x 8½" strips
Red	16	1½" x 6" strips
Dark Red	16	1½" x 6" strips



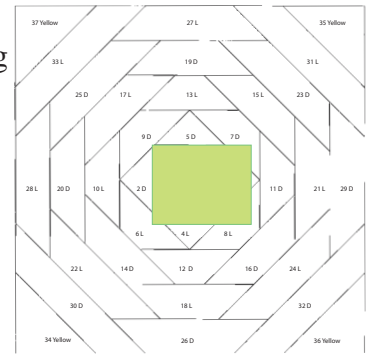
## Midnight Rose:

Lime Green	1	3" square
	4	2½" squares
Navy	2	3" squares
	4	2½" x 8½" strips
Light Purple	16	1½" x 6" strips
Purple	16	1½" x 6" strips

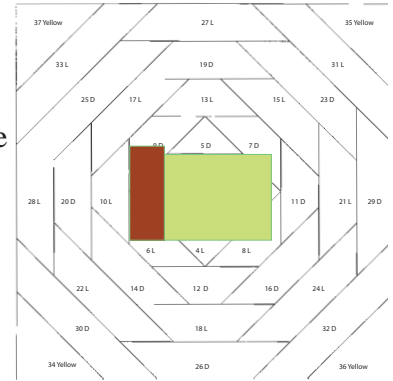
## Construction:

- Paper piecing seems much harder than it is. I like to think of it as color by number with fabric. I keep a small cutting mat (6" x 7½"), a 6" ruler, and a small rotary cutter by my sewing machine for paper piecing.
- Set your sewing machine stitch to a short stitch length about 15 stitches per inch. This will help when you are removing the paper.
- Copy the foundation patterns on a copy machine.
- The sewing order is numbered on each unit. The color for that piece is designated by the letter, D for dark or L for light.

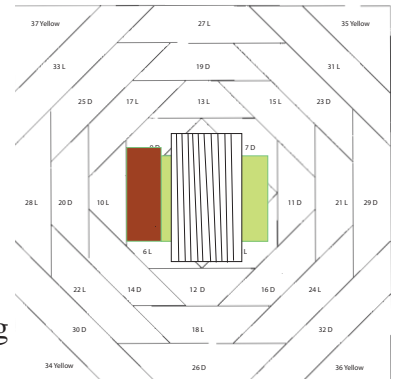
- Line up the first piece of fabric wrong side of fabric to wrong side of the paper. Make sure to cover the entire first section with at least ¼" overlap on each side.



- Hold the paper up to the light with the right side of the paper facing you and the fabric on the back to check.
- With right sides together, line the second piece of fabric up with the first.



- Make sure the edges are at least ¼" into the next section. On the right side of the paper, sew along the line, stitching through the paper and both pieces of fabric.
- Place an index card along the next seam line and fold the paper back, exposing the fabric pieces.



- Trim to ¼" seam allowance. Finger press the fabric open and line up the next piece of fabric along cut edge.
- Repeat for each numbered piece.
- When you completed sewing the unit, trim to ¼" seam allowance to remove the excess fabric.
- Leave the paper foundation in place until you have finished the block. This will help maintain square edges.
- Keep in mind the finished piece will be a mirror image of the paper foundation.

- Sew a 2½” x 8½” strip to the top and one to the bottom of the constructed square.



- Add a 2½” lime green square to the top and bottom of the remaining 2½” x 8½” background pieces.
- Sew to the sides of the block.

