

# Cinco de Mayo

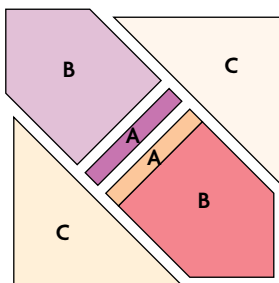
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Pam Rocco's pants pocket block – see "Words to Quilt By," page 84, in the February/March 2012 issue of *Quilters Newsletter* – goes festive in this one-block quilt. *Cinco de Mayo* is a great stash-busting project.

## ASSEMBLY

**1** Wash, starch and press fabrics. Cut the patches and strips listed in the materials and cutting box and shown in the rotary cutting diagrams.

**2** Referring to the block piecing diagram, join 2 A's and 2 B's, noting the A's will be slightly wider than the B's. Trim the short ends of the A's even with the edges of the B's. Join 2 C's to the A/B to make a block. Make 24 blocks.



**BLOCK PIECING**  
Make 24

**3** Referring to the quilt assembly diagram and working on a design wall or large flat surface, arrange the blocks in 6 rows of 4 blocks each, paying attention to the orientation of the blocks. Join the 8 center blocks as shown. Trim this center panel to 20" x 41", keeping the blocks centered. Join the 41" black strips to the sides of the center panel then join the remaining black strips to the top and bottom of the center panel. Return the center panel to the design wall. ▶



## MATERIALS AND CUTTING

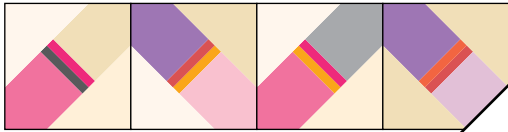
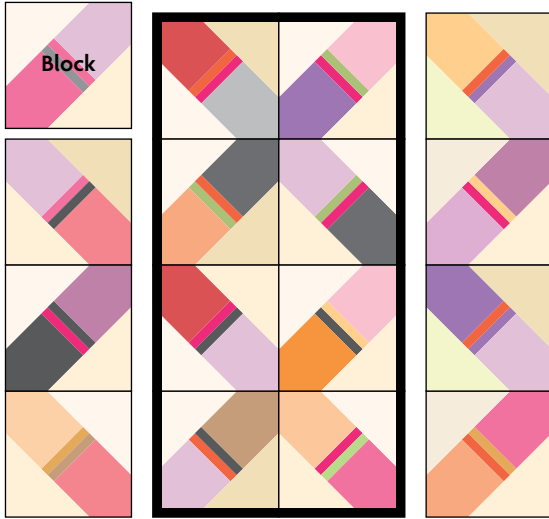
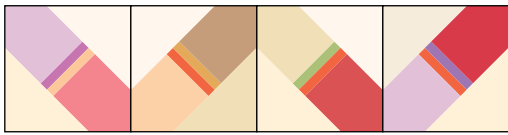
Requirements are for 42" fabric width.

**BLOCK SIZE:** 10½"

**QUILT SIZE:** 42" x 63"

MATERIALS	YARDS	CUTTING
Assorted Solids	⅓	48 A
Assorted Bright Prints	2½	48 B
Assorted Light Prints	1¼	48 C
Black	¼	2 strips 1¼" x 41, 2 strips 1¼" x 21½"
Binding	½	6 binding strips 2¼" x 42"
Backing	2¾	2 panels 34" x 46"
Batting		46" x 67"

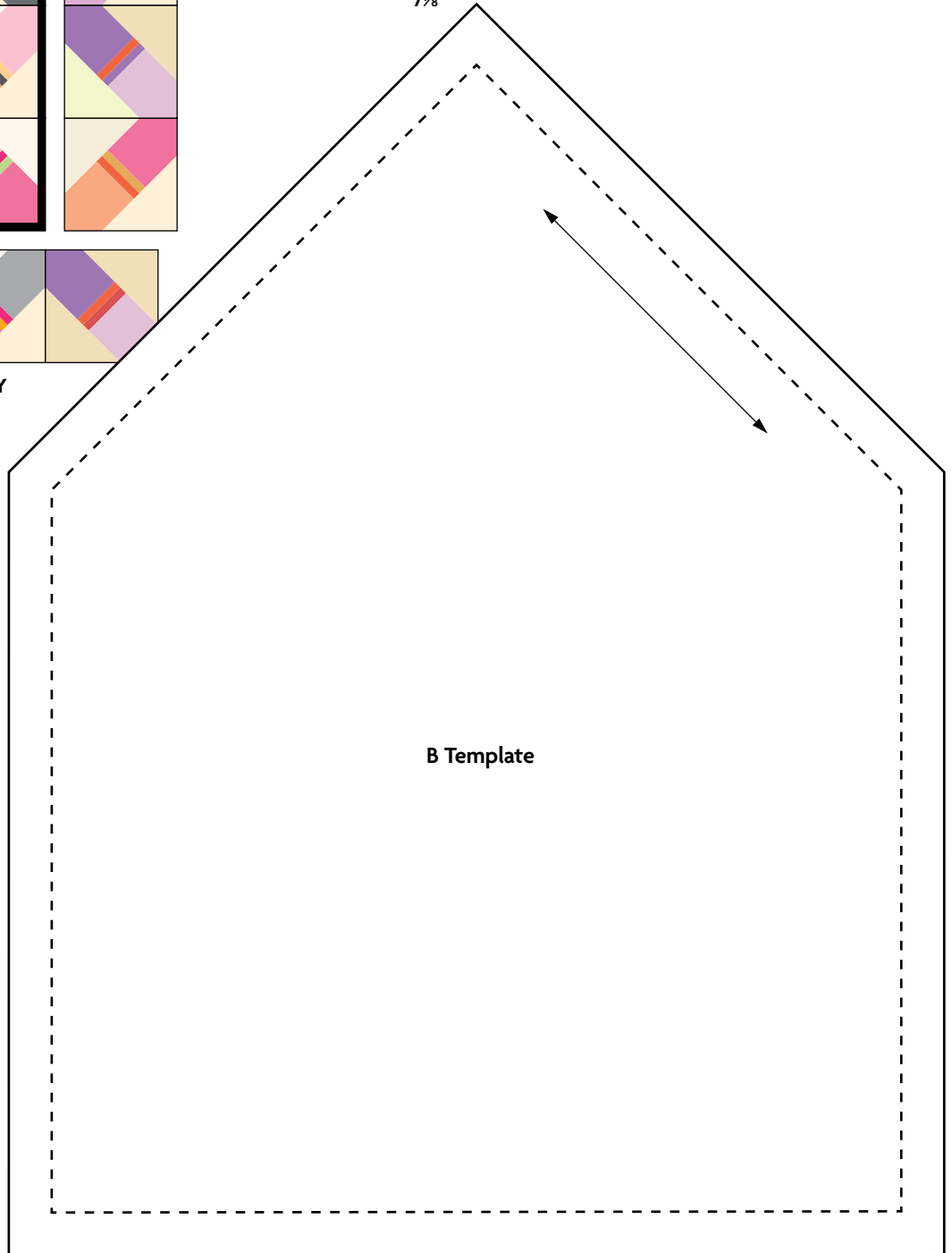
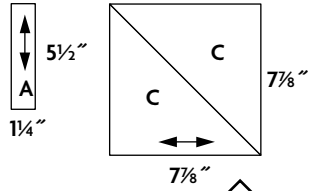
**TECHNIQUES USED:** machine piecing, template piecing, machine quilting



QUILT ASSEMBLY

**ROTARY CUTTING**

Measurements include  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances. Align arrows with lengthwise or crosswise grain of fabric.



B Template

**4** Join the 4 blocks to the left of the center panel in a vertical column then return the column to the design wall. Repeat for the 4 blocks to the right of the center panel. Join the vertical columns to the sides of the center panel and return to the design wall.

Join the 4 blocks across the top of the quilt in a row and return the row to the design wall. Repeat for the 4 blocks across the bottom. Join these rows to the top and bottom of the quilt.

**5** Mark quilting motifs as desired. Layer the backing, batting and quilt top. Baste. Quilt as marked or as desired. Bind the quilt to finish. 