

Rain Flowers

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Materials

1 fat eighth (9" x 20") each of -

Raindrops:

307K, 307N, 308B, 307LB, 308LB, 308R, 308P,
307P, 308L, 307C, 308C

Flora Fern:

801B, 801C, 801RV, 801Y, 801F, 801R, 801K

1/2 yard of Flora Fern 801O

1 3/8 yard of Raindrops 308N

2 7/8 yards of any *Raindrop* or *Flora Fern* fabric for
backing (one horizontal seam)

*Note: All strips are cut across the width of fabric
unless stated otherwise.*

Cutting

Navy Raindrops (308N):

From the lengthwise grain (parallel to the
selvedge) cut (4) 4 1/2" x 42 1/2" strips (outer
border) and (4) 2" x 49" strips (binding).

From the remaining fabric cut; (1) 4 1/2"
square, (2) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles, and (2)
2 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles.

Orange Flora Fern (801O):

Cut (4) 1 1/2" strips, for the inner border. Cut
(1) 4 1/2" square, (2) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles, and
(2) 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles.

(18) Fat Eighth Fabrics:

From each of the fabrics cut; (1) 4 1/2" square,
(2) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles, and (2) 2 1/2" x 8 1/2"
rectangles.

Appliqué

Using your preferred method of hand or
machine appliqué, cut and prepare the appliqué
pieces using the template provided. The sample
is made with raw edge appliqué techniques.

Construction

(Refer to photo as needed)

Sew (2) 4 1/2" rectangles to opposite sides of
a 4 1/2" square. Sew an 8 1/2" rectangle to the
top and bottom edges to make one block
(diagram 1). Make 20 blocks.

Appliqué a flower to the center square of ten
blocks by hand or machine. The sample quilt
used matching thread and a straight stitch 1/4"
from the raw edge.

Sew the blocks together alternating the plain
blocks and appliquéd blocks as shown in the
photo. *Note:* rotate the blocks so that the long
rectangles of one block are sewn to the short
rectangles of the next block (diagram 2). This
will prevent the need to match any seams.

Trim two of the 1 1/2" strips to 40 1/2"-long and
sew to each of the side edges; press. Trim the
remaining strips to 34 1/2"-long and sew to the
top and bottom edges.

Sew a 4 1/2" navy strip to each of the side edges;
press. Sew a 4 1/2" navy strip to the top and
bottom edges; press.

Layer the quilt top with batting and backing.
Quilt as desired. The sample quilt was machine
quilted using "Golden Threads" quilting stencils.
Sew the 2" strips together end to end and bind
the edges to finish.

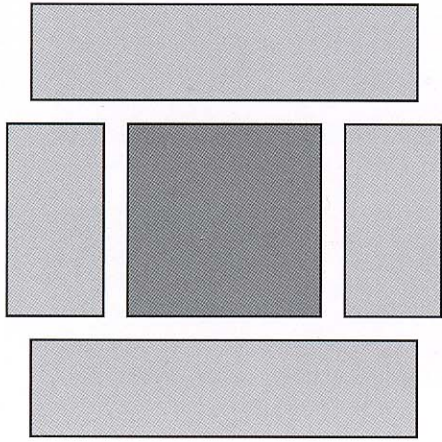


FIGURE 1

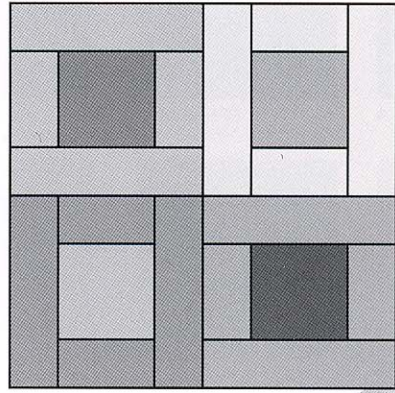
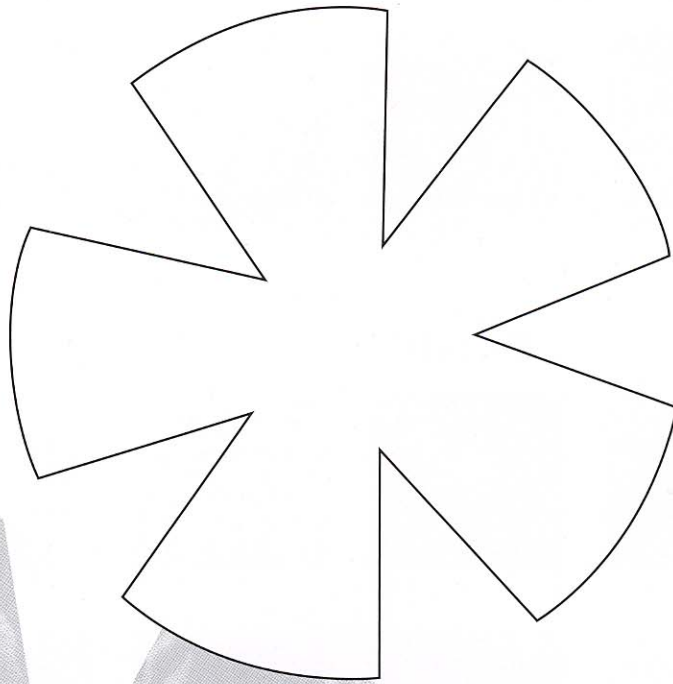


FIGURE 2



FLOWER TEMPLATE

