

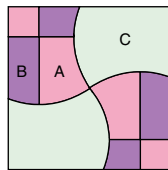
Dancing Pinwheels

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This quilt is much easier than it looks. The dancing pinwheels will delight you when you see just how easy they can be.

Project Specifications

- Skill Level: Intermediate
- Quilt Size: 44½" x 53"
- Block Size: 8" x 8"
- Number of Blocks: 20



Dancing Pinwheel
8" x 8" Block
Make 20

Materials

- 1⅛ yard lavender tonal
- 1⅞ yards pink tonal
- 2½ yards dragonfly print
- Batting 53" x 61"
- Backing 53" x 61"
- Neutral-color all-purpose thread
- Coordinating pink quilting thread
- GO! Dies:
 - GO! Apple Core (55036)
 - Optional: GO! Strip Cutter-1" (½" Finished) (55052)
 - Optional: GO! Strip Cutter-1½" (1" Finished) (55024)
 - Optional: GO! Strip Cutter-2¼" (1¾" Finished) (55053)
 - Optional: GO! Strip Cutter-2½" (2" Finished) (55017 or 55014)
 - Optional: GO! Strip Cutter-3½" (3" Finished) (55032)
- 8½" x 8½" square ruler
- Basic quilting tools and supplies

Die-Cutting Instructions

1. Cut seven 8" by fabric width strips dragonfly print and fan-fold 6½" wide. Die-cut 40 C shapes. **Note:** If you cannot cut six layers of your fabric choice, subcut strips into (40) 6½" x 8" C rectangles. Layer C rectangles and die-cut. Repeat to die-cut 40 C shapes.

Additional Cutting Instructions

TIP: Use GO! Strip Cutter dies 1", 1½", 2¼", 2½" and 3½" to cut A/B segments, sashing, borders and binding.

1. Cut (10) 3½" by fabric width B strips lavender tonal.
2. Cut (10) 3½" by fabric width A strips pink tonal.
3. Cut eight 1" by fabric width strips pink tonal. Subcut strips into four 1" x 34" E strips and (15) 1" x 8½" D strips.
4. Cut four 1½" by fabric width F/G strips pink tonal
5. Cut five 2½" by fabric width J/K strips pink tonal.
6. Cut five 3" by fabric width H/I strips dragonfly print.
7. Cut five 2¼" by fabric width strips dragonfly print for binding.

Constructing A-B Four-Patch Units

1. Sew an A strip to a B strip along the length to make an A/B strip set; press seam toward A. Repeat to make a total of 10 A/B strip sets.
2. Subcut the A/B strip sets into (80) 5" A/B segments as shown in Figure 1.

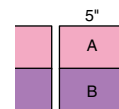


Figure 1



3. Join two A/B segments to make an A/B Four-Patch unit as shown in Figure 2; press seam in one direction. Repeat to make a total of 40 A/B Four-Patch units.



Figure 2

4. Layer three A/B Four-Patch units right side up on the GO! Apple Core die, covering the outline of the shape and die-cut.

5. Repeat, positioning the A/B Four-Patch units on the die in different orientations for variety in the A/B apple-core shapes, and die-cut a total of 40 A/B apple-core units. **Note:** To have even more variety in the A/B apple-core units, cut them individually instead of in sets of 4.

Completing the Blocks

1. Position and pin a C shape right sides together with an A/B shape as shown in Figure 3; matching the center notches and the outside corners.

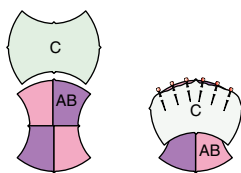


Figure 3

2. Sew the pieces together to make a section as shown in Figure 4; press the seam toward the A-B shape.

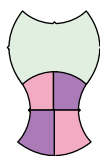


Figure 4

3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 to make a second section.

4. Position and pin the sections right sides together, matching the center notches, outside corners and seam. **Note:** Be careful not to pull the seams apart or stretch the curves.

5. Sew the sections together to make a block unit as shown in Figure 5; press the seam toward the C shapes.

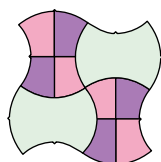


Figure 5

6. Repeat steps 1–5 to make a total of 20 block units.

7. Center the square ruler on the intersection of the A/B and C shapes in the block unit and trim each block unit to 8½" x 8½" to complete 20 Dancing Pinwheel blocks as shown in Figure 6.

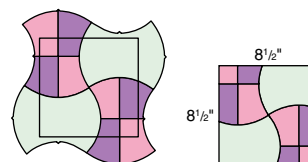
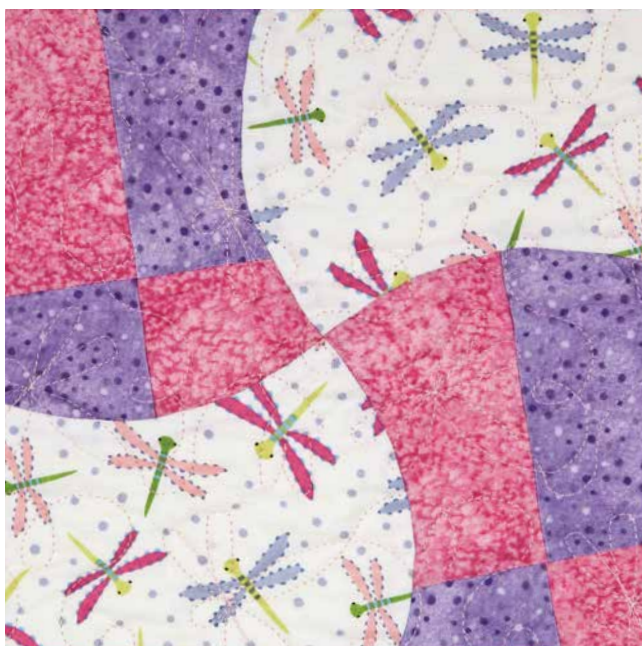


Figure 6



Completing the Quilt

1. Join four blocks with three D strips to make a row as shown in Figure 7; press seams toward D. Turn every other block to position C pieces across from each other. Repeat to make a total of five rows.

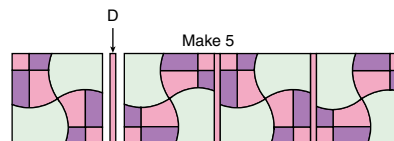


Figure 7

2. Arrange rows with E strips referring to Figure 8, turning every other row to form a secondary design at the block intersections. Press seams toward E strips.

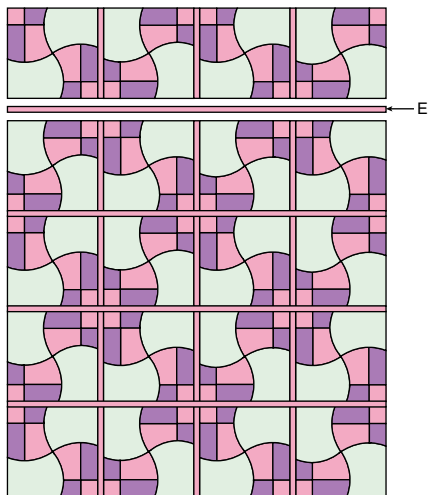


Figure 8

3. Join the F/G strips on the short ends to make a long strip; press seams to one side. Cut two 42½" F strips and two 36" G strips.

4. Sew the F strips to opposite long sides and the G strips to the top and bottom of the pieced center; press seams toward the strips.

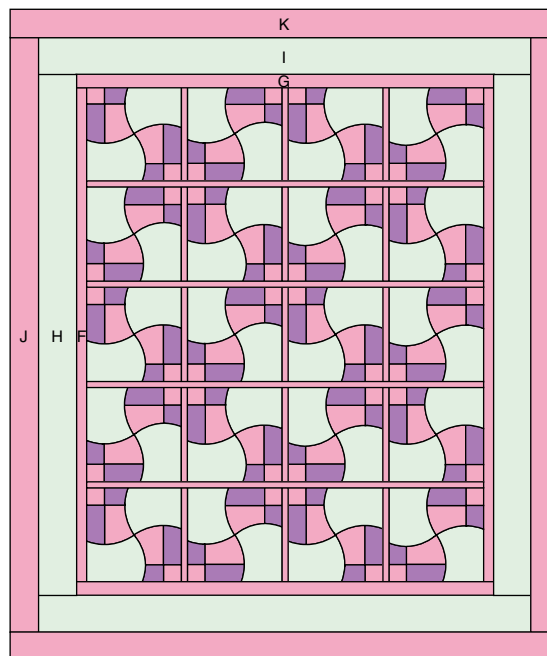
5. Join the H/I strips on the short ends to make a long strip; press seams to one side. Cut two 44½" H strips and two 41" I strips.

6. Sew the H strips to opposite long sides and the I strips to the top and bottom of the pieced center; press seams toward the strips.

7. Join the J/K strips on the short ends to make a long strip; press seams to one side. Cut two 49½" J strips and two 45" K strips.

8. Sew the J strips to opposite long sides and the K strips to the top and bottom of the pieced center to complete the top; press seams toward the strips.

9. Layer, quilt and bind as desired. ❖



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Placement Diagram 44½" x 53"