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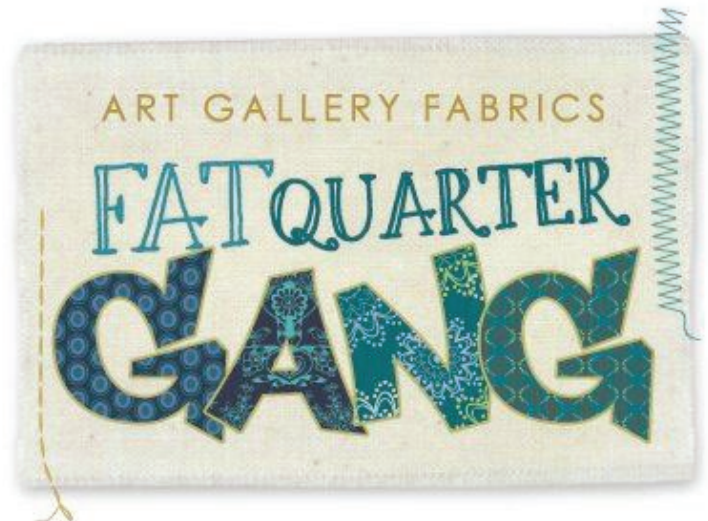
8 fat quarters of Summerlove by Pat Bravo:

Beyond Bliss Ginger  
Daydreaming Sunshine  
Swept Away Serenity  
Tokens of Love Pink  
Passionate Spirit Teal  
Malibu Haze  
Naivety Berry  
Sweetdays Seashell

Coordinating thread

Two 16" pillow forms

Two 14" or larger invisible zippers

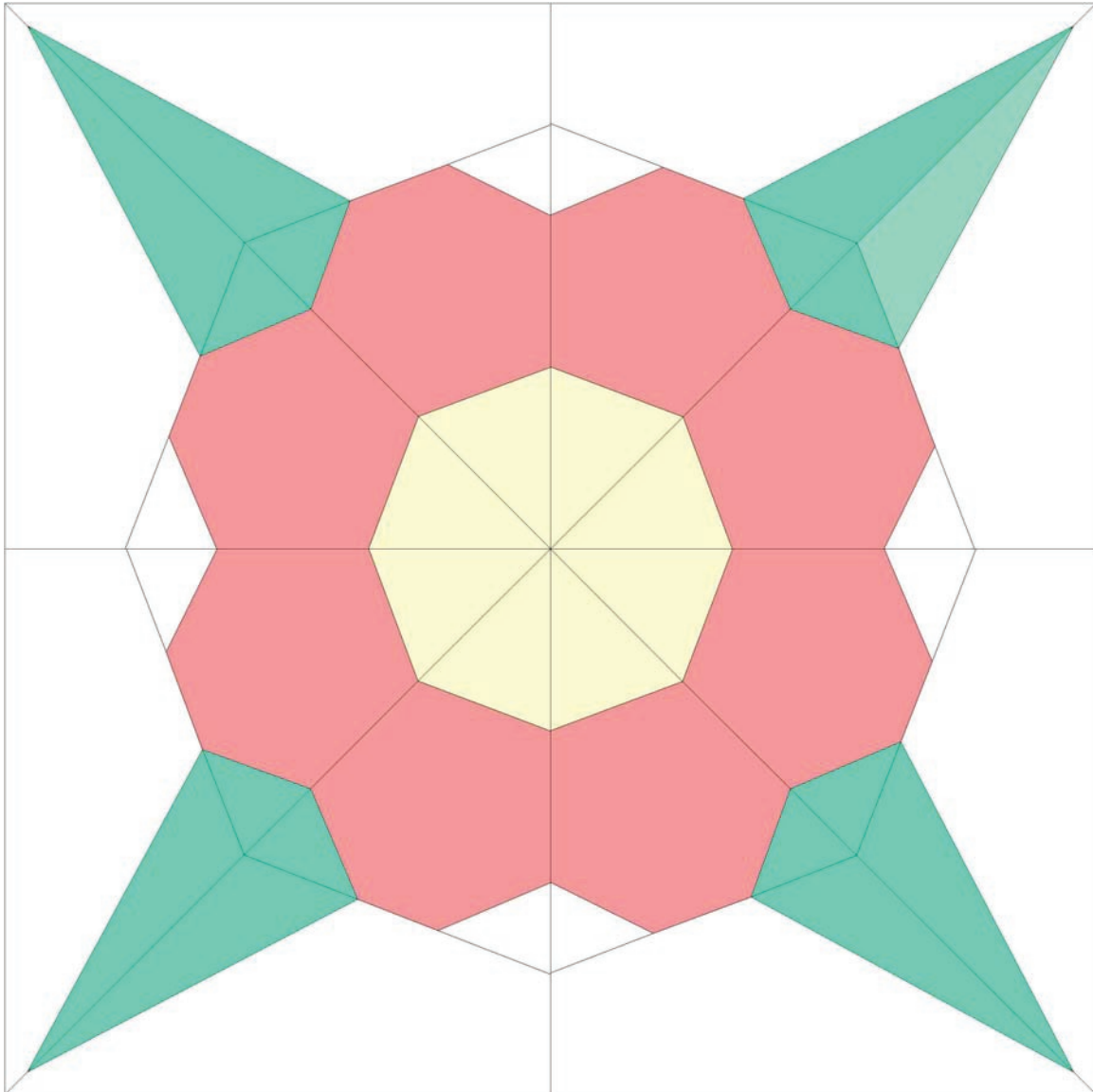


These pillow covers are paper pieced. It's a great pattern for someone new to paper piecing to tackle because the pattern is simple *and* the fabrics are somewhat low contrast and patterned and therefore very forgiving.

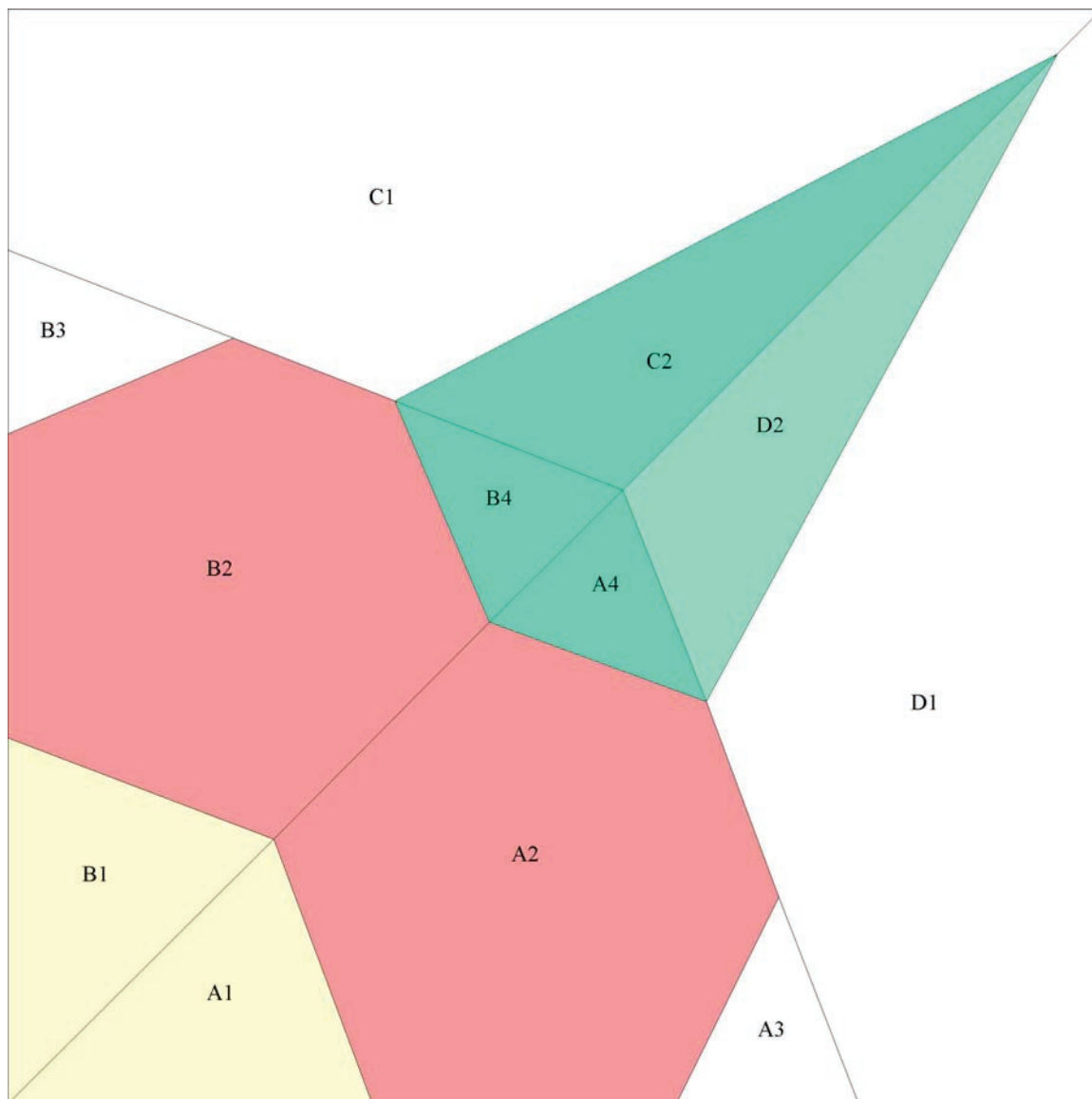
### Pattern Printing Instructions

The finished paper pieced pillow front measures 16" by 16." In order to achieve those dimensions, make sure you set your printer to 100% scale, or scaling "none." To test your printer settings, measure piece D1 along the longest side and it should measure 8" without the seam allowances.

Print four copies of the pattern pieces. You will need to tape together the C sections that span two pages.



**Pillow Diagram**



**Numbered Block Diagram**

### Block Assembly Instructions



Take one pattern piece A and cut a square of the fabric you will use for section A1. Hold that fabric right side facing out on the back of the paper. Hold a piece of the fabric for A2, right sides together with A1. Stitch through the paper using a short stitch (I set my machine to 1.5). Trim the seam allowance to roughly 1/4", press open.



This is what the front side of your paper will look like.



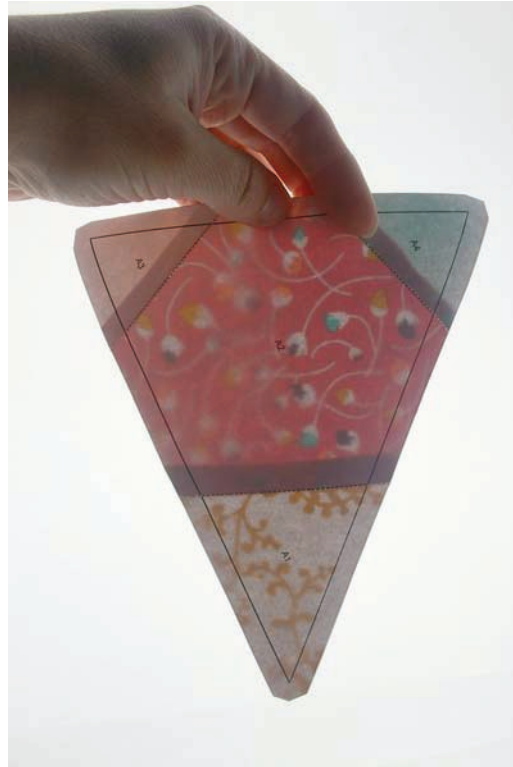
Next, with right sides together, place a piece of the background fabric for section A4. Stitch through paper. Trim seam allowance. Press open.





Next, hold a piece of your leaf fabric, right sides together over section A4. Stitch through paper. Trim seam allowance. Press open.





Flip your section A so that the letters are facing you. Hold your straight edge against the seam allowance line and trim with your rotary cutter. This is what you get:



With section A complete, let's move to section D.



Place the background fabric covering section D1 on the side of the paper opposite the letters, with the right side facing out. With right sides together, place the leaf fabric along the seam line. Stitch through paper. Trim seam allowances. Press open.

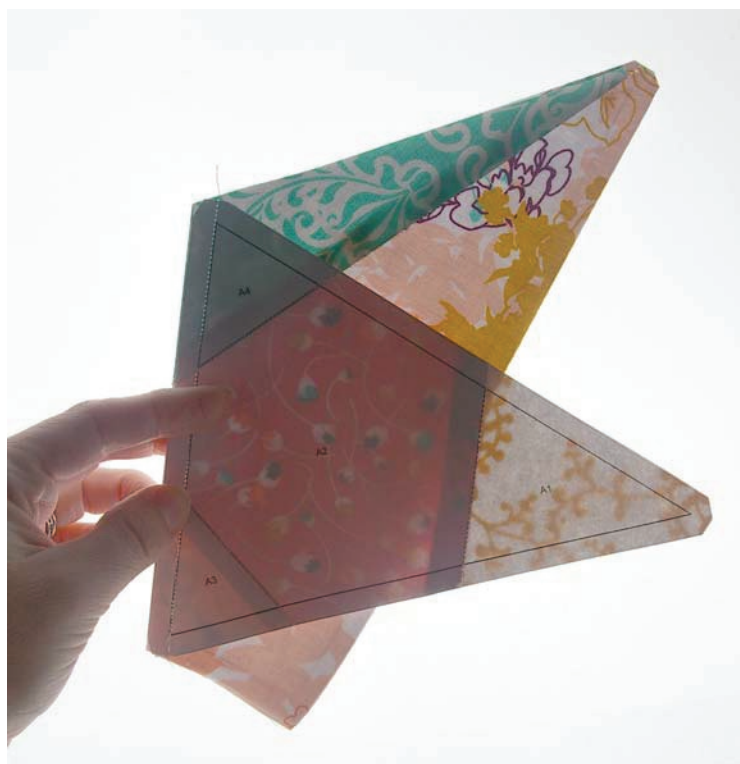




Once again, you will and trim along the seam allowance line with your rotary cutter.



Now join sections A and D with right sides together (leaving paper attached).



Open out and iron.

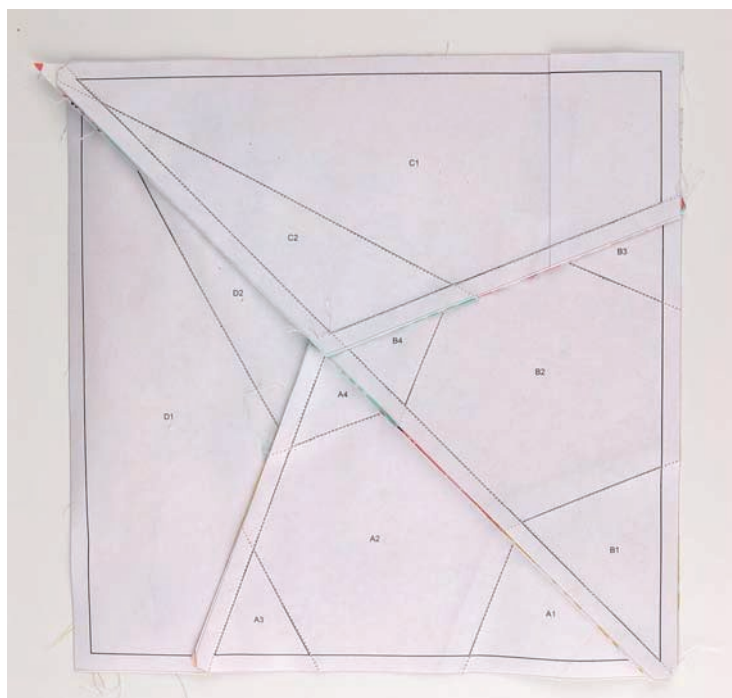


Section [AD] is now complete. You will repeat these steps three more times in order to make 4 sections [AD].

Section [BC] is constructed in the same way. You will need to make 4 of them as well. You then join sections [AD] and [BC] with right sides together along the diagonal.



The backside of that unit should look like this:

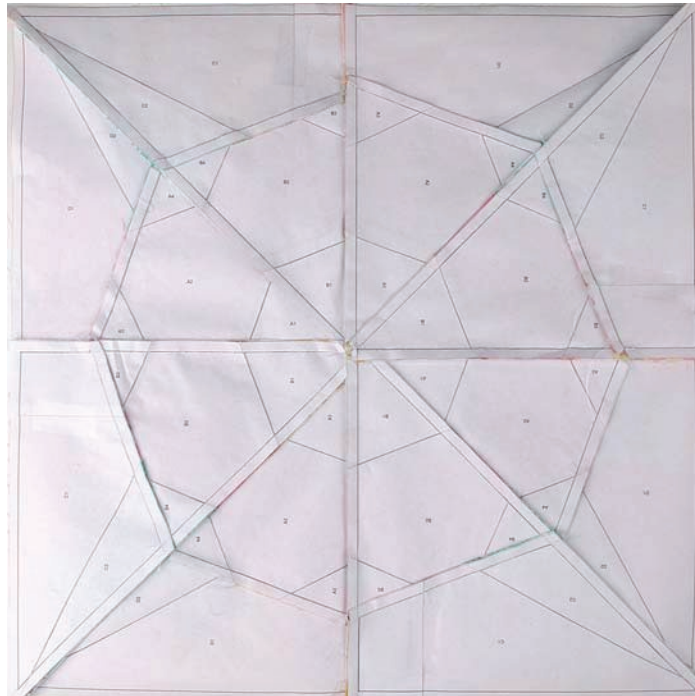


As you can see, the finished side of the block is the mirror image of the backside.



Sew the four units together to create your pillow front.

This is what the back looks like when assembled:



Once the pillow front is fully assembled, you should remove your papers.

You can make a second pillow cover following the same directions and substituting fabrics.

### **Finishing Pillow Covers**

I chose to back my pillow fronts with batting and quilt. I quilted a floral motif in the center. Then I stitched in the ditch around the perimeter of the petals and leaves. The background is done in 1/4" spaced echo quilting.

I used my two remaining fat quarters to back the pillows. I cut them to 16 1/2", the same dimensions as the pillow fronts, and inserted an invisible zipper into the bottom seam. All seam allowances are 1/4" resulting in a 16" finished pillow cover.

# Summerlove Blooms

