

Dresden Express™ 12 Round Blade Quilt Block



Instructions are for 8 1/2" unfinished block using 7" Dresden Blades

Smaller blocks can be made utilizing smaller Dresden Blades.
Block background fabric square should be cut 1-1/2" larger than length of selected Dresden Blade size. (Example: When using 4" blades, cut background fabric to 5 1/2" square.)

Materials:

Background block fabric
Three assorted fabrics for blades
Thread

Instructions

From background fabric, cut an 8 1/2" Square

Cut three blade fabrics in 7" strips.

Lay fabric strips on cutting mat. Place Dresden Express™ 12 on fabric strip aligning the bottom horizontal line of ruler with the bottom edge of the fabric.

Make sure the fabric straight of grain will run down the center of the blade as indicated on the ruler.

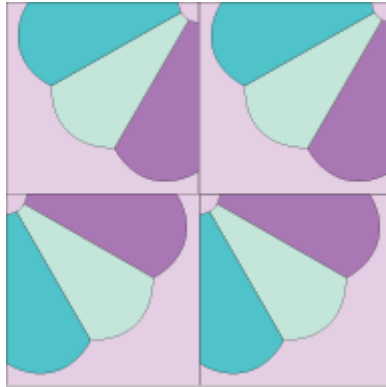
In succession; cut along one outside edge of ruler, in center slots, and opposite outside edge of the ruler. This will create three identical Dresden blades. Layer fabric strips to cut multiple fabric blades at one time.

For Rounded Top: Place ruler on blade, aligning narrow bottom edge of blade with ruler drawing at the 7" marking for 7" blades. Using a rotary cutter, simply cut around the top curved edge of the ruler.

Using a 1/4" seam allowance, stitch three blades together beginning at top and stopping 1/4" from narrow bottom edge. Press all seams to one side. Turn under 1/4" the bottom raw edge of the three blades and press.

Place three-blade unit on background fabric square aligning raw edges. Applique as desired.

Suggestion for a Four-Block Section



Suggestion for Four-Block Sections repeated to create a quilt

