

Little Christmas Tree

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Fabric	Quantity	First Cut	Second Cut	Position
Cream Novelty Scenic 1258-Q	20 $\frac{5}{8}$ "	Cut five strips WOF each 3½" wide	Cut sixteen 3½" x 6½" Cut sixteen 3½" x 2" Cut sixteen 3½" squares	Double Star Blocks
		Cut one strip 2" wide	Cut sixteen 2" squares	
Red Mini Novelty Mittens 1304-R	Fat Quarter	Cut three 3½" wide strips	Cut twenty 3½" squares	Double Star Blocks
		Cut two strips 2" wide	Cut sixteen 2" squares	
Green Mini Novelty Robins 1299-G	Fat Quarter	Cut three 3½" wide strips	Cut twenty 3½" squares	Double Star Blocks
		Cut two strips 2" wide	Cut sixteen 2" squares	
Cool Yule Trees 1230/1	Fat Quarter	Use template to cut out tree shape. Please read appliqué notes below first.		Christmas Tree
Brown Spraytime 2800-V57	3" x 4"	Use template to cut out tree shape. Please read appliqué notes below first.		Tree Trunk
Green Cool Yule Snowflake 1231-G	15 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Cut two 14" squares	Cut each square twice diagonally	Green Triangles
Cream Cool Yule Birds 1232-Q	15 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	Cut one 14" square	Cut square twice diagonally	Cream Centre Background
		Cut one 12½" square		
Red Mini Novelty Reindeer 1300-R	31 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Cut one 14" square	Cut square twice diagonally	Red Triangles
		Cut four 3½" wide strips		Outer Border
		Cut seven 2" wide strips from remaining fabric. You need a total length of 180".		Binding
Cool Yule Scatter 1228/1	1 $\frac{3}{8}$ yd			Backing

Appliqué - read this before cutting out template shapes

The tree and tree trunk can be appliquéd in different ways - fused or with turned-under edges.

If you are fusing then no seam allowance needs to be added to the templates given.

If you are appliquéing with turned-under edges by hand or machine you must add a scant ¼" seam allowance around all the shapes.

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Sewing Instructions

All seams are $\frac{1}{4}$ " unless otherwise stated.
Press seams under darker fabrics where possible.

Double Star Blocks

1. Take a 2" x 3½" cream *Scenic* rectangle and two 2" red *Mini Mitten* squares. Place one red square right sides together at the left end of the cream rectangle. Line up the edges and pin. Sew a diagonal line from the top right corner of the square to the bottom left corner of the square. Trim excess fabric leaving a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. Press open.
2. Place the second red *Mini Mitten* square right sides together at the right end of the cream rectangle. Line up edges and pin. Sew a diagonal line from the top left corner of the red square to the bottom right corner. Trim and press open as before. You now have one Flying Geese Block.
3. Repeat Steps 1 and 2 to make a total of eight red and cream Flying Geese blocks.
4. Now use the same method with the cream *Scenic* rectangles and the green *Mini Robin* squares to make a total of eight cream and green Flying Geese Blocks.
5. Take a 3½" red *Mini Mitten* and a 3½" green *Mini Robin* square, place them right sides exactly together and sew a diagonal line from the top left corner to the bottom right corner. Trim away excess fabric and press open. Repeat three more times. You now have the four half-square-triangle centres of the blocks.
6. Take the sixteen 3½" x 6½" cream *Scenic* rectangles, the sixteen green 3½" *Mini Robin* squares and sixteen red 3½" *Mini Mitten* squares. Follow the method given in steps 1 and 2 to make eight cream and red and eight cream and green Flying Geese Blocks.
7. Assembling one block: Lay out the cream *Scenic* squares, the Flying Geese Blocks and the centre half-square-triangle block as shown in the photograph. Be careful where you place the reds and greens.
8. First sew the smaller star block together by sewing the pieces into rows and then sewing the rows together.
9. Then sew the larger star block together in the same way: first sewing pieces into rows and then sewing the rows together.
10. Follow steps 7 - 9 to create three more blocks.
11. Press the blocks carefully.

Large Quarter-Square-Triangle Blocks

1. Lay out the red, green and cream triangles as in the photograph to form the four large Quarter-Square-Triangle Blocks.
2. Sew the blocks together carefully as the edges are on the bias.

TIP: to help prevent the bias edges stretching while being sewn, spray the pieces with starch.

Assembling the Quilt Top

1. Lay out the blocks as shown in the photograph. Sew the pieces together first into rows and then sew the rows together. Press the seams carefully.
2. Sew the bottom and top borders on first. Then sew the side borders on. Press the seams.

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Appliquing the Tree

Fusing

1. Follow the manufacturers instructions carefully for pressing times.
2. Trace the shapes onto the smooth (paper) side of the fusible web. Cut out the shapes leaving a space around the outside of the shapes. Iron the fusible web to the wrong side of the relevant fabric.
3. Now cut out the shapes along your traced lines. Remove the paper backing.
4. Position the trees with the trunk tucked under the bottom edge.
5. Fuse the shapes in place.
6. If you choose to satin stitch around the edges please use a tear-away stabilizer behind the appliqué. This helps prevent any distortion that the stitching might create. Remove the stabilizer once the stitching is complete.

Turned-under appliqué

1. Prepare the shapes using your favourite method of turning under the seam allowances.
2. Pin the shapes in place and either sew by hand or machine.
3. If you choose to machine appliqué the shapes, you could use a narrow zigzag stitch, the buttonhole stitch or the blind hem stitch and we suggest you use a tear-away stabilizer behind to prevent distortion.

Quilting

1. Lay the backing out on a smooth, flat surface with the wrong side facing up.
2. Spread the batting over the backing smoothing out any wrinkles and bumps.
3. Lay the quilt top over the batting right side facing up.
4. Baste the layers together using your favourite method - safety pins, hand tacking, spray basting or micro-tacking.
5. Quilt as you like by hand or machine.
6. Trim back the excess backing fabric and batting to the edge of the quilt top. Square up the quilt if necessary.

Binding

1. Sew all the binding strips together using mitred seams into one long strip. Fold the strip in half along the length with wrong sides together. Press.
2. Sew the binding onto the quilt front. Turn to the back and hand stitch in place mitring the corners.

Don't forget to label your quilt with your name and the date. Add any other details you might want to remember.

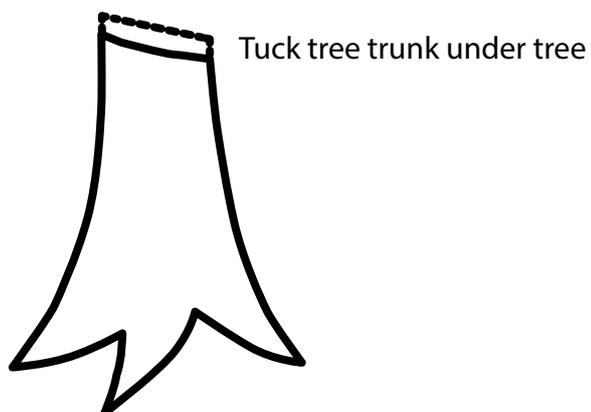
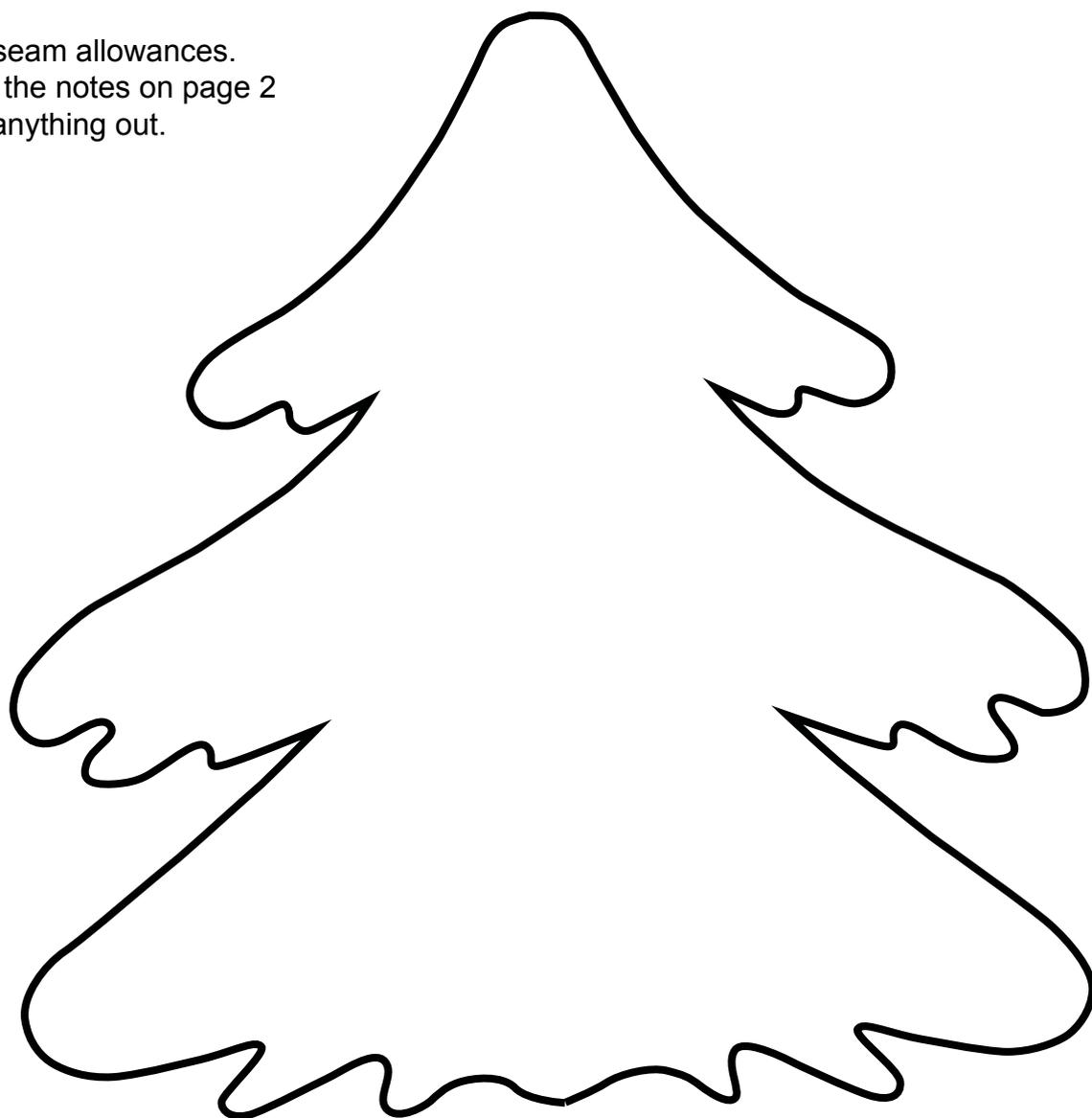
Congratulations

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Important notes:

These templates are only 50% of the finished size. Please enlarge.

There are NO seam allowances.
Please refer to the notes on page 2
before cutting anything out.



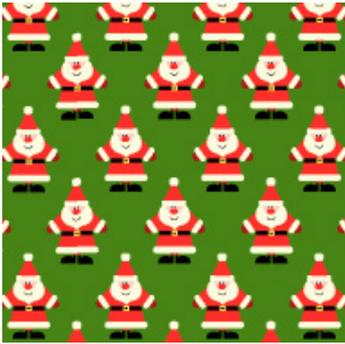
Tuck tree trunk under tree



1298/R SPOT



1298/G SPOT



1303/1 SANTA



1301/R SNOWMEN



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1305/1 TREES



1302/R PENGUINS



1304/Q MITTENS



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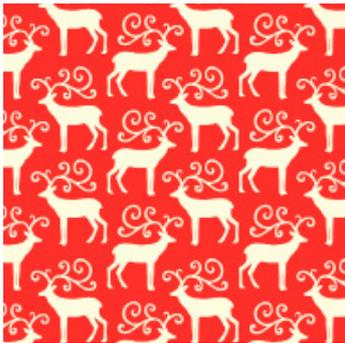
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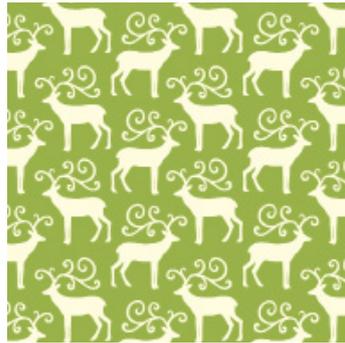
1299/Q ROBIN



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*1300/R REINDEER



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The Christmas Tree by Hilary Gooding
Finished size 42" x 42" (107 x 107cms)

FREE pattern available to download from

www.makoweruk.com * Fabrics used in quilt.

Also requires 1258/Q,1230/1,1231/G,1232/Q,1228/1 & 2800/V57

ALL DESIGNS 50% OF ACTUAL SIZE