Maple Leaf Quilt Block

September 2015 Blockette of the Month

The background fabric for this block has been provided in your packet. To create the "leaf" fabric pieces, please use a print fabric in fall colors of red, orange, yellow, or green. Batik fabric could work very well, too. All seam allowances are ¼". This pattern will result in a 9½" x 9½" block. Please do not trim your finished block.


Quilting Fabrics for One Maple Leaf Block

| Provided fabric (background):	Cut from Leaf Fabric:
2 – 4" squares	2 – 4" squares
1 – 3-1/2" square	3 – 3-1/2" squares
1 – 4-1/2" square	1 – 1"x7" strip

Assemble the Maple Leaf Quilt Block

1) **Half Square Triangles (HST - make four):** To make the leaf points, mark diagonal on both 4" provided off white squares; place right sides together with the leaf fabric and stitch ¼" on either side of diagonal mark; cut between stitching; press toward leaf fabric; square up to 3-1/2".
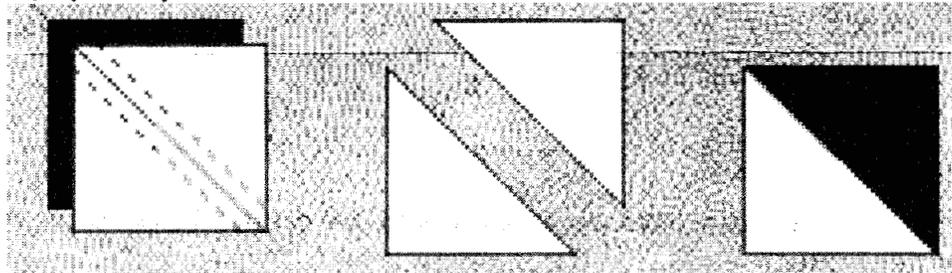

2) **Leaf Stem Assembly:** Cut 4-1/2" off white square in half on the diagonal; stitch the 1"x7" leaf fabric between the two halves; press both seams toward stem; square up unit to 3-1/2".
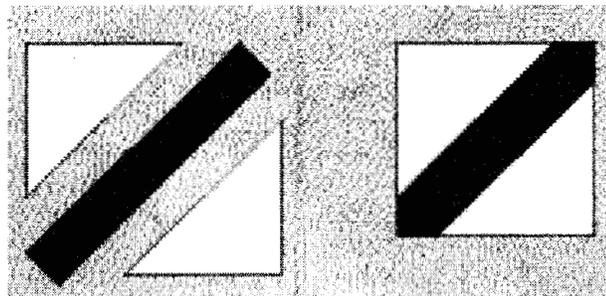
3) Attaching leaf stem square to one side and HST to opposite side of a 3-1/2" square of leaf fabric, create top row... press as arrows direct.
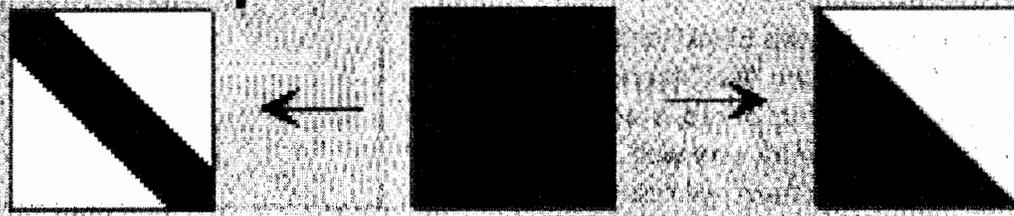

4) Attaching 3-1/2" square of leaf fabric to one side of HST to opposite side of a 3-1/2" square of leaf fabric, create middle row... press as arrows direct.
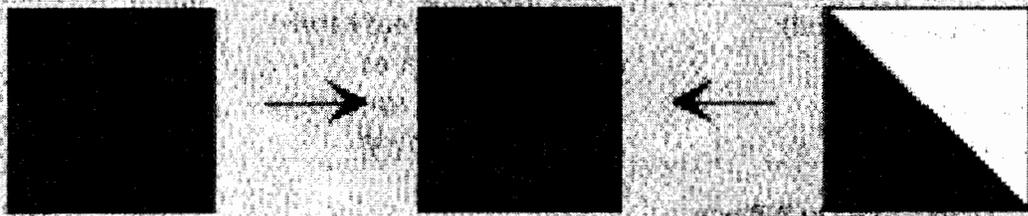
5) Attaching 3-1/2" square of off white fabric to one side of HST to opposite side of another HST, create bottom row... press as arrows direct.
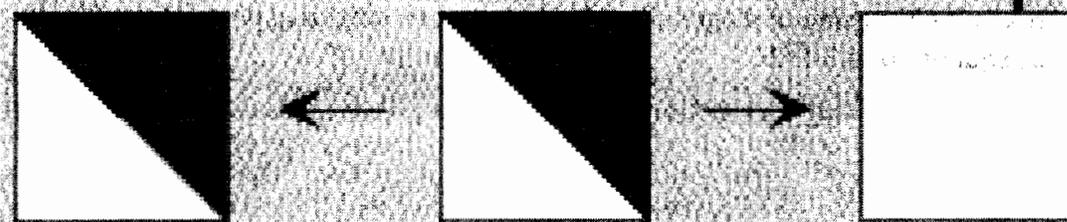
6) Join three rows to create block... press as desired. Do not trim block. Leave that to the designated quilter.
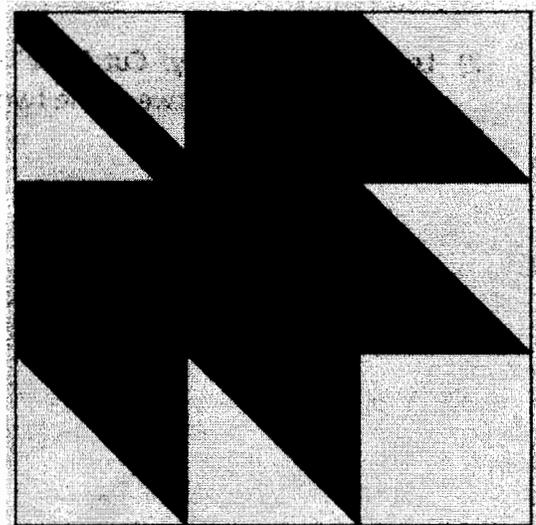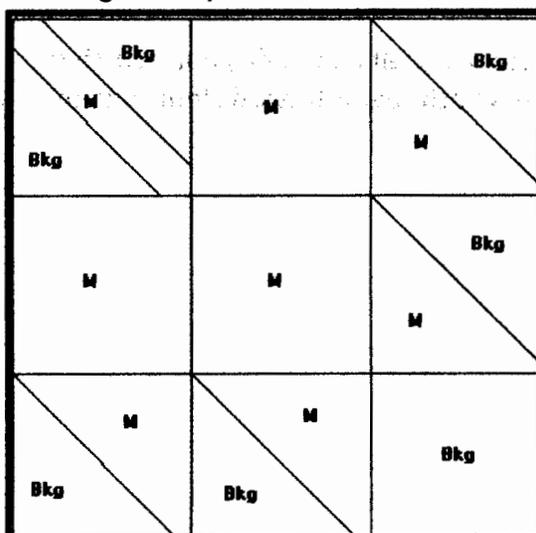
(Bkg= Off white background fabric; M=Medium/Dark Leaf Fabric)

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