Flight of the Geisha Quilt

by Joyce Mullis



featuring fabric from Asian Collection by Alfred Shaheen

FreeSpirit

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Supplies: Rotary cutter, mat, ruler, 2 10" square pieces cardboard, neutral thread, 4 10 $\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \frac{1}{2}$ pieces paper for paper piecing, freezer paper, fusible web (only if circles are fused, you may hand appliqué)

Note: *Fussy Cut* is indicated for fabrics with large printed motifs, to be centered or highlighted.

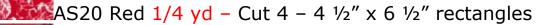
Direction (D) is noted for vertical (V) and horizontal (H) cuts for several of the fabrics.

All seams are 1/4"

AS18 Red ¹/₂ yd – Cut 1 10 ¹/₂" square (fussy cut)



AS25 Red 1/4 yd – Cut 4 10 ½" squares





EXAMPLE AS19 Red 1/4 yd - Cut 4 - 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ rectangles



AS19 Green 3 1/2 yds - Cut 4 - 2 1/2" x 12 1/2" squares 4 - 2 1/2" x 6" rectangles

AS17 Grey 1/4 yd – Cut 2 – 3 ½ x 12 ½" rectangles (V)

AS17 White 1/4 yd – Cut 2 – 3 ½ x 12 ½" rectangles (V)

AS19 Black 1/4 yd – Cut 2 - 2 ½" x 12 ½" rectangles 4 – 2 ½" x 6" rectangles Also see directions for Block A

AS23 Black 1/4 yd – See directions for Block E

AS18 Purple 1/2 yd - Cut 1 10 ½" square (fussy cut)

AS25 Purple 1/4 yd – Cut 4 – 10 ½" squares

AS23 Purple 1/4 yd - See directions for Block E

AS24 Purple 1/4 yd – Cut 2 10 ½" squares

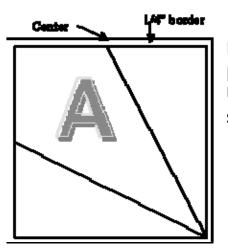


AS20 Black 3 yards (Borders)

Border Fabric, cut as follows:

B1 - 6 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \frac{1}{2}''$ V B1 - 8 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 10 \frac{1}{2}''$ H B2 - 4 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \frac{1}{2}''$ V B3 - 2 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 22 \frac{1}{2}$ H B4 - 2 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 26 \frac{1}{2}''$ H B5 - 4 - 1 $\frac{1}{2} \times 12 \frac{1}{2}''$ V B6 - 2 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 28 \frac{1}{2}''$ V B7 - 1 - 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 20 \frac{1}{2}''$ V

Block A



Draw lines on 10 ½" squares of paper for paper piecing as per diagram. Use AS 19 Black for center, and AS 19 for side pieces. Paper piece 4 blocks.

Block C

This a solid block fussy cut from the Sushi Bowl pattern. No additional cutting or sewing is required.

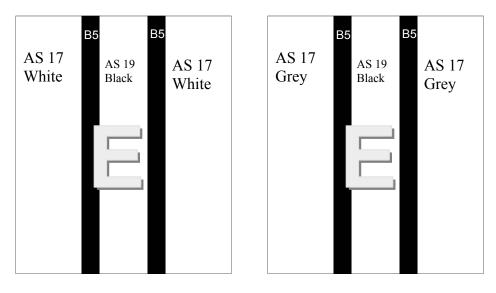
Block D

Cut 2 8" circles from cardboard. For hand appliqué, trace 8" circle (fussy cut, positioning birds) and add 3/8" around. (**1** from **AS 23 Black**, **1** from **AS23** **Purple**) Hand baste around between edge and circle line. Place cardboard in center and pull thread tight. Iron edges, using spray sizing on edges. Remove cardboard. Applique the circles onto the 10 ½" squares of AS 24 Purple.

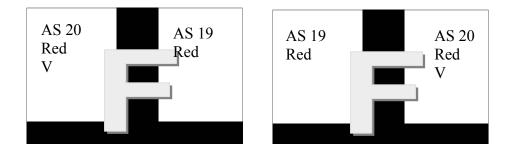


Or fuse fusible web onto AS 23 Purple and AS23 Black. Cut one 8" circle from each. Fuse 1 each to the center of the 10 1/2" AS 24 Purple squares, machine appliqué edges.

Block E - Make 1 of each block as follows:



Block F – Make 1 of each block as follows:



Row G-1 – use the 2 $\frac{1}{2} \times 6''$ rectangles

AS 19	AS 19	AS 19	AS 19
Black	Green	Black	Green

Row G-2

AS 19	AS 19	AS 19	AS 19
Green	Black	Green	Black

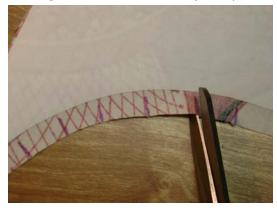
Block H

Cut 2 Template A from Freezer paper Cut 2 Template B from Freezer paper

Place 1 of each template on the AS 25 purple squares and AS 25 Red squares shiny side down, press.



Cut, leaving a 1/2" allowance (see picture).

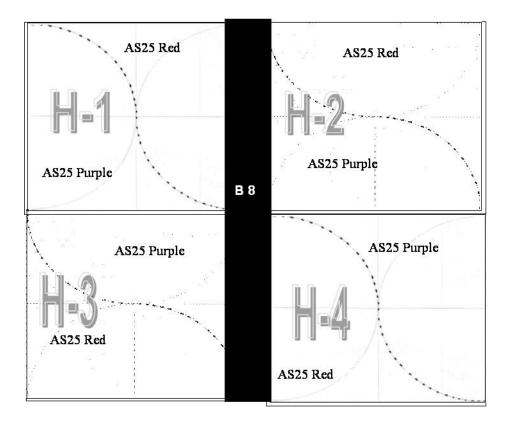




Lay the curved piece on the solid square (per diagram). Machine stitch on curved edge using a blind stitch, or hand appliqué.



Piece the four H blocks together with center border as follows:



Assemble as follows:

- 1. (Left side column) Sew A to B-1(H) to E to B-1 (H) to F to B-1(H) to A
- 2. (Right side column) Sew A to B-1 (H) to F to B-1H to E to B-1H to A
- **3.** Sew C to B-1 (V) to D
- 4. Sew D to B-1(V) to C
- **5.** Sew 2: B-1(V) to I to B-5(V) to I to B-1(V)

6. Sew 2: B-2(H) to Row G to B-2(H). Attach these two rows to the large Center Block

Sew Row 3 (above) to the top of the Center. Sew Row 4 to the Bottom of the Center.

Now you have 3 large columns. Sew Column 1 to Center column to Right column.

Borders: Attach B-6 (H) to top and bottom of Quilt. Attach B-7 (V) to sides of quilt.

Finish: Sandwich quilt (top, batting, backing) and quilt as desired. Bind with AS20 Black.

