

# Cottage Chic Christmas

**SPECIFICATIONS**  
 Skill Level: Intermediate  
 Quilt Size: 55" x 55"  
 Block Size: 8" x 8"  
 Number of Blocks: 25

This quilt is not just a Christmas quilt. Look beyond the season. It's a great opportunity to learn a new technique if you haven't tackled paper piecing yet.

## MATERIALS

- 1/3 yard green tonal\*
- 1/3 yard salmon dot tonal\*
- 1/2 yard green dot tonal\*
- 5/8 yard salmon trellis floral\*
- 1 yard salmon tonal\*
- 1 1/8 yards green trellis floral\*
- 1 1/4 yards salmon floral\*
- 1 3/4 yards tan print\*
- 3 5/8 yards backing
- Batting\* 63" x 63"
- Thread\*
- Basic sewing tools and supplies

\*Lansdowne Road fabric collection from RJR Fabrics; Tuscany Silk batting from Hobbs; Aurifil Mako 50 cotton thread used to make sample.

## CUTTING

Pieces cut for paper piecing do not have to be exact, but should be large enough to cover indicated area with at least 1/4" left over on each side.

### From green tonal:

- Cut 5 (1 1/2" by fabric width) D/E strips.  
Trim 2 strips to 1 1/2" x 40 1/2" for D.

### From salmon dot tonal:

- Cut 16 pieces to cover area 1 for paper piecing.

### From green dot tonal:

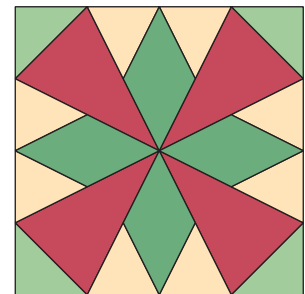
- Cut 32 pieces to cover area 1 for paper piecing.

### From salmon trellis floral:

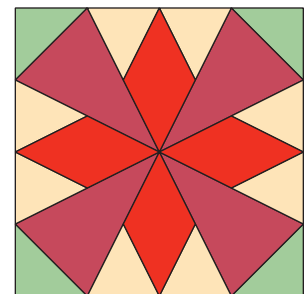
- Cut 5 (3 1/4" by fabric width) F/G strips.

### From salmon tonal:

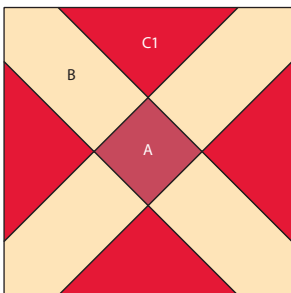
- Cut 1 (2 5/8" by fabric width) strip.  
Subcut into 13 (2 5/8") A squares.
- Cut 48 pieces to cover areas 4 and 5 for paper piecing.



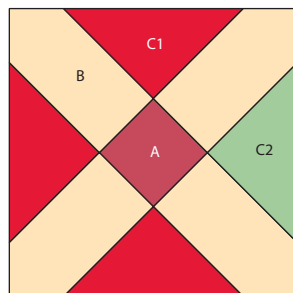
**Green Star Cross**  
 8" x 8" Block  
 Make 8



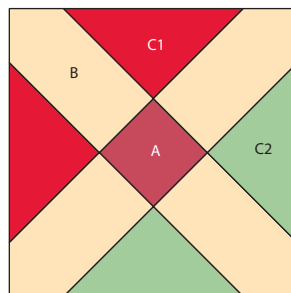
**Salmon Star Cross**  
 8" x 8" Block  
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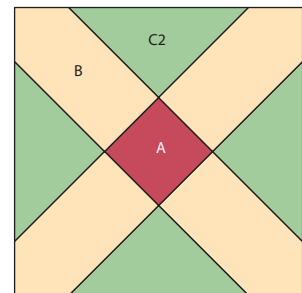
**Cross 1**  
 8" x 8" Block  
 Make 4



**Cross 2**  
 8" x 8" Block  
 Make 4



**Cross 3**  
 8" x 8" Block  
 Make 4



**Cross 4**  
 8" x 8" Block  
 Make 1





### From green trellis floral:

- Cut 1 (6¼" by fabric width) strip.  
Subcut into 4 (6¼") squares. Cut each square on both diagonals to make 16 C2 triangles.
- Cut 2 (3" by fabric width) strips.  
Subcut into 24 (3") squares. Cut each square in half on 1 diagonal to make 48 triangles to cover areas 6 and 7 for paper piecing.
- Cut 6 (2¼" by fabric width) strips for binding.

### From salmon floral:

- Cut 6 (3¼" by fabric width) J/K strips.
- Cut 2 (6¼" by fabric width) strips.  
Subcut into 9 (6¼") squares. Cut each square on both diagonals to make 36 C1 triangles.

### From tan print:

- Cut 4 (6" by fabric width) strips.  
Subcut into 52 (2⅝" x 6") B rectangles.
- Cut 96 pieces to cover areas 2 and 3 for paper piecing.
- Cut 5 (1½" by fabric width) H/I strips.

### COMPLETING THE STAR CROSS BLOCKS

1. Prepare paper-pieced sections for each block as directed on patterns

and referring to Figure 1 for color placement; trim excess beyond seam allowance on paper sections.

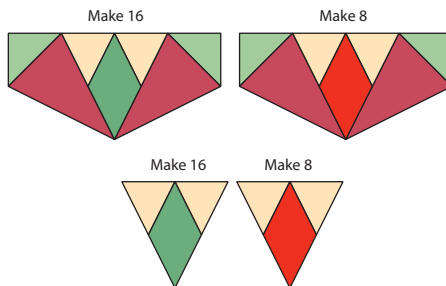


Figure 1

2. Select one each section 1 and 2, and join to make a half block as shown in Figure 2; repeat.

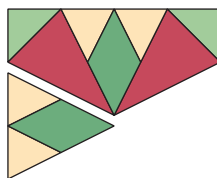


Figure 2

3. Join the two half blocks to complete one Green Star Cross block referring to Figure 3.

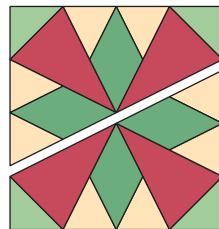


Figure 3

4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 to complete a total of eight Green Star Cross blocks and four Salmon Star Cross blocks.

### COMPLETING THE CROSS BLOCKS

1. Select one A and four each B and C1 pieces to complete one Cross 1 block.
2. Sew B to opposite sides of A as shown in Figure 4; press seams toward A.

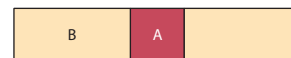


Figure 4

3. Sew C1 to opposite sides of B, matching the pieces at the square corners as shown in Figure 5; press seams toward C1.

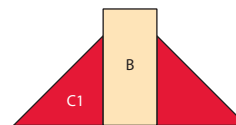


Figure 5

4. Align a square ruler even with the edges of C1 and trim excess

B at corners to complete a C1-B unit as shown in Figure 6.

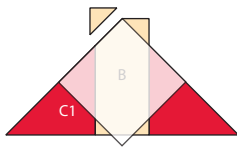


Figure 6

5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 to make a second C1-B unit. Sew a C1-B unit to opposite sides of the A-B unit, matching center seams as shown in Figure 7; press seams away from the A-B unit.

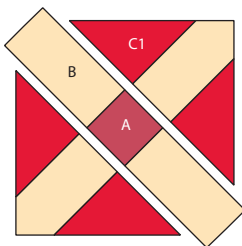


Figure 7

6. Trim the B corners as in step 4 to complete one Cross 1 block.

7. Repeat steps 1–6 to complete a total of 4 Cross 1 blocks.

8. Repeat steps 2–6 to make four Cross 2 blocks using three C1 and one C2 triangle referring to Figure 8.

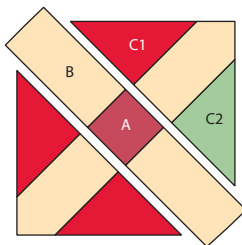


Figure 8

9. Repeat steps 2–6 to make four Cross 3 blocks using two each C1 and C2 triangles as shown in Figure 9.

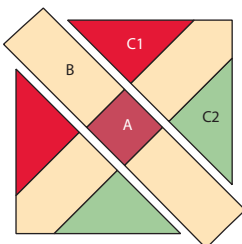


Figure 9

10. Repeat steps 2–6 to make one Cross 4 block using four C2 triangles referring to Figure 10.

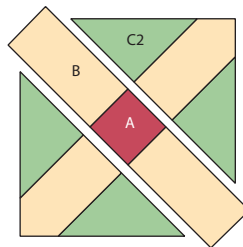


Figure 10

### COMPLETING THE QUILT

1. Referring to the Assembly Diagram, arrange and join the blocks in rows; press seams in adjacent rows in opposite directions.

2. Join the rows as shown to complete the pieced center.

3. Remove paper from the paper-pieced blocks.

4. Sew D strips to opposite sides of the pieced center.

5. Join E strips on short ends to make a long strip; subcut into two

1½" x 42½" E strips. Sew these strips to the top and bottom of the pieced center.

6. Join the F/G strips on short ends to make a long strip; subcut into two 3¼" x 42½" F strips and two 3¼" x 48" G strips. Sew F strips to opposite sides and G strips to the top and bottom of the pieced center.

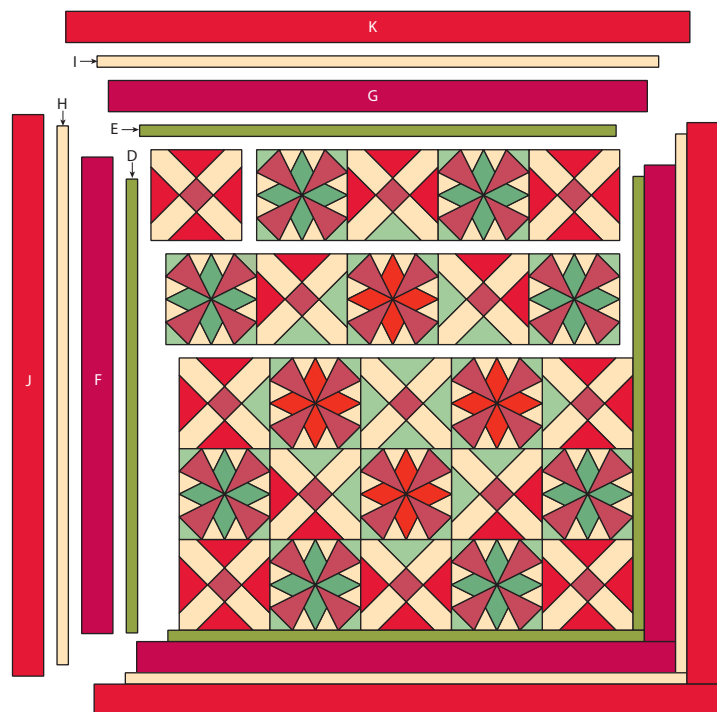
7. Repeat step 6 with H/I strips to subcut two each 1½" x 48" H and 1½" x 50" I strips; sew to the pieced center as in step 6.

8. Repeat step 6 with J/K strips to subcut two each 3¼" x 50" J and 3¼" x 55½" K strips; sew to the pieced center as in step 6 to complete the quilt top.

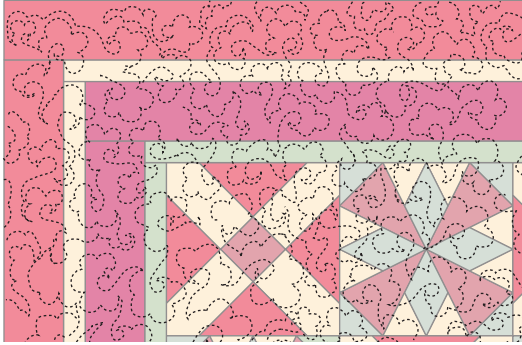
9. Create a quilt sandwich referring to Quilting Basics on page 94.

10. Quilt as desired.

11. Bind referring to Quilting Basics on page 94 to finish. **QW**



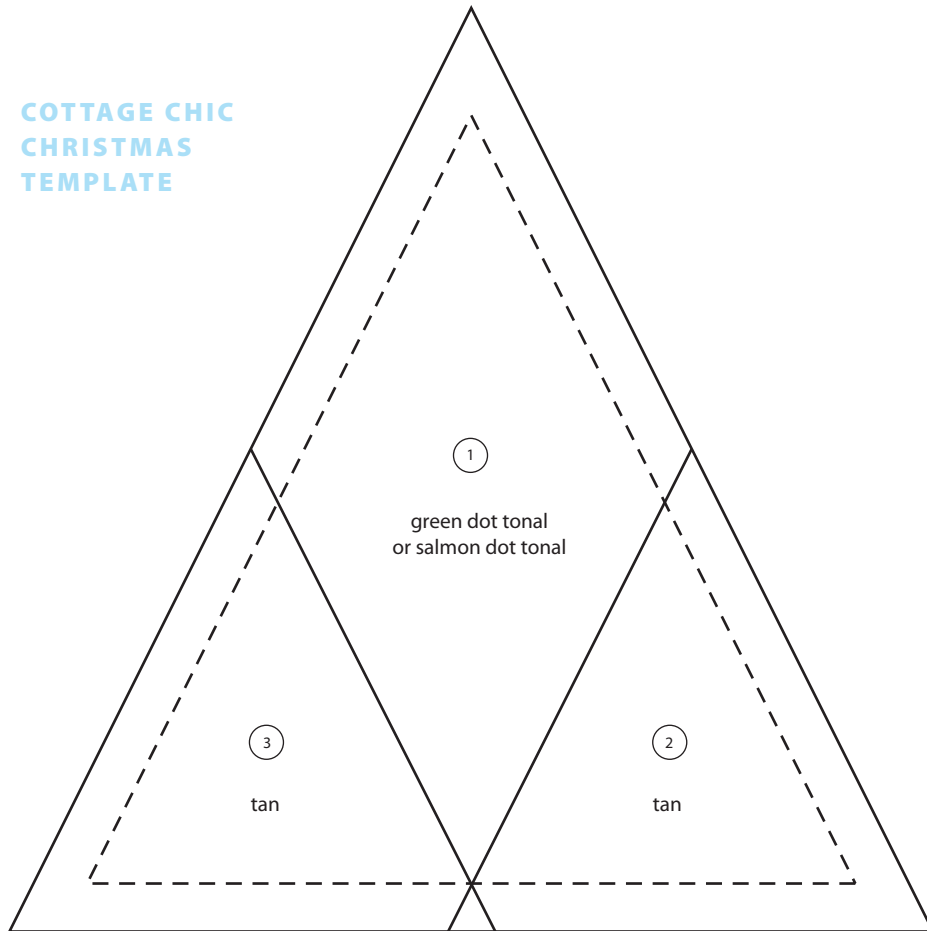
Cottage Chic Christmas  
Assembly Diagram 55" x 55"



**Cottage Chic Christmas**  
Quilting Diagram

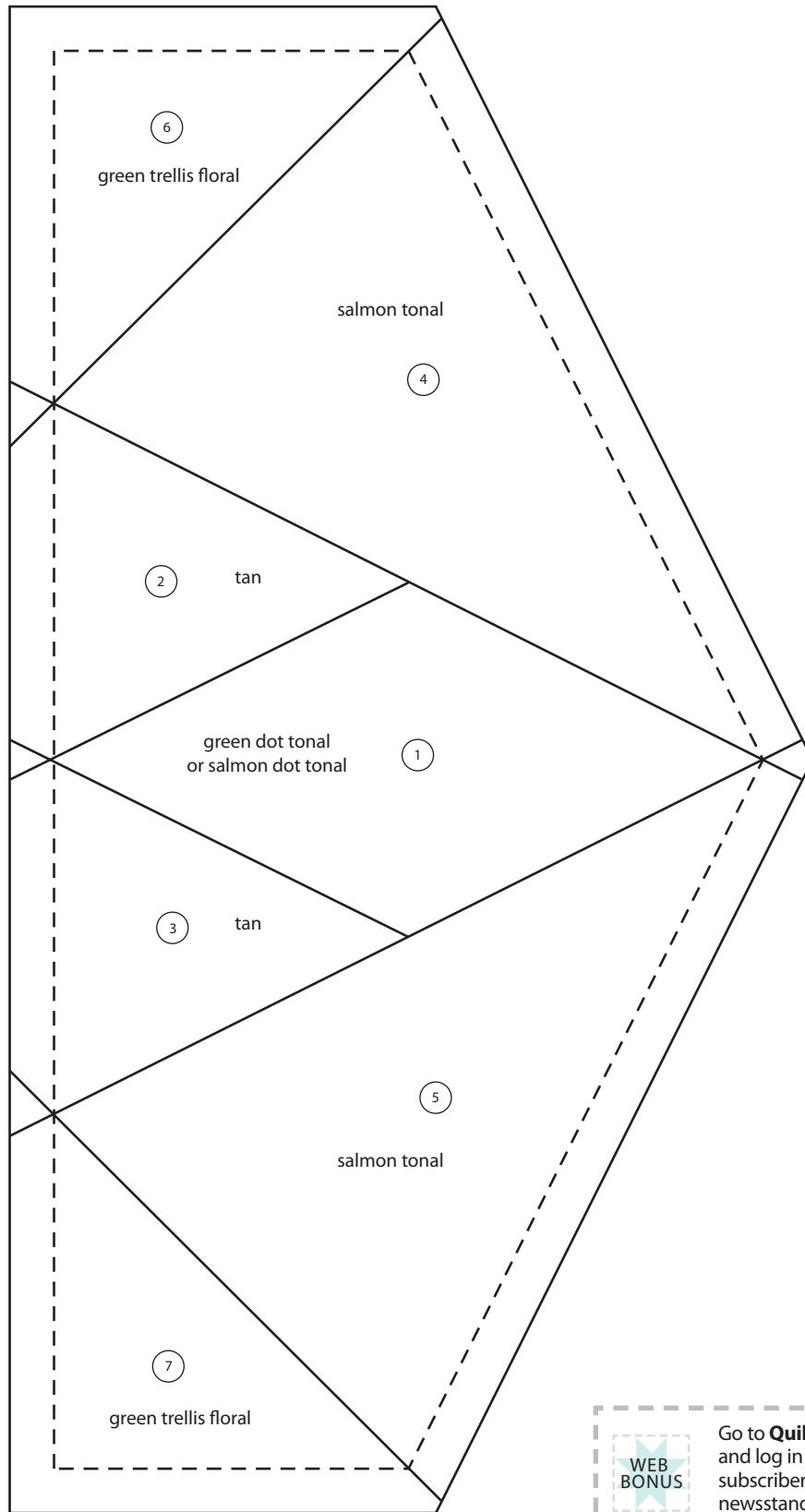
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