

Urban Owls

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Flying Geese Border



Well what I thought would be so simple just didn't turn out that way. I guess I am glad that I love flying geese because I made 2 sets of them for this one. I tried to tone down the quilt by making my geese out of the same fabric. I must have tried 25 different fabrics for my inner and outer borders.



Nothing was working. I finally realized that the problem was the flying geese made out of the same fabric. There was too much pinky-orange to work with. I re-did my flying geese to use all different colors as the geese and I am much happier with the result. I still like the idea of the flying geese all the same color, it just didn't work with my quilt. It might work perfectly with yours though.

Ok, lets get to the blocks. I used the Ultimate flying geese ruler by creative grids to trim up my blocks. The more I use that ruler, the more I love it. The cornerstones were made with some wool and wool felt like the flowers in the center block. I chose to fuse them this time.

Step 1



Cut your squares for your flying geese. The larger square is your goose and the smaller squares are the background. I used greys for my backgrounds and the same fabric for each side. If you want to be super scrappy you can use different fabrics as your backgrounds in each flying geese block. Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on each smaller square.

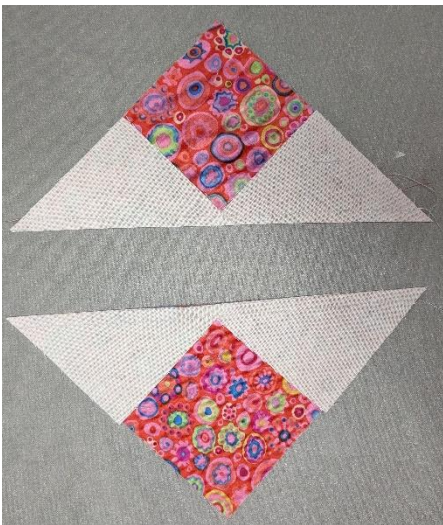
Step 2



Line up your small squares on your larger square so the corners match on each end. There will be a little bit of overlap. Sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on each side of this line.

Step 3

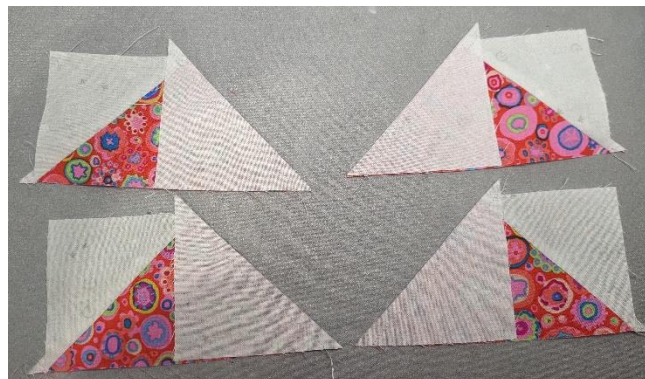
Cut on the line and press each background piece away from the main print



Step 4



Add another background piece on the open corner and repeat the steps above. Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on each side of the line and cut on the line.



Step 5



Press and trim

Step 6

Sew your flying geese in a line for your borders. 2 rows of 9 and 2 rows of 11. Make sure that you are not sewing over the tip of your flying geese. Position your fabrics so you can see the point of the goose as you are sewing and you want your needle to stitch a tiny bit towards the seam where the point of your goose is.

Step 7

Following whatever applique method you like, make your cornerstones. I chose to fuse mine this time



Step 8

Assemble your borders. Add your inner border, flying geese row and cornerstones and your outer border. I did not put my outer border on yet, I am still auditioning 😊



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