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# CHRISTMAS TREES



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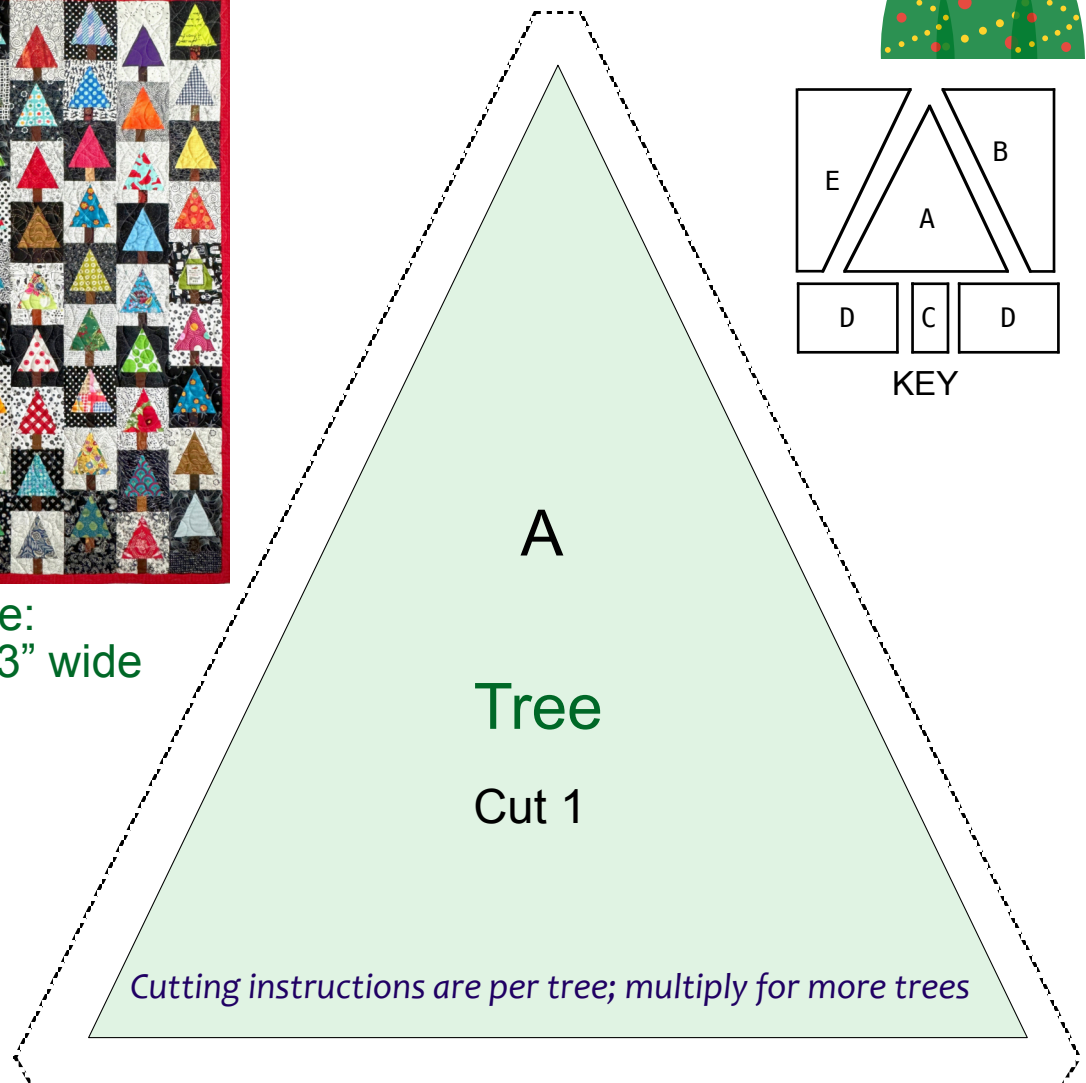
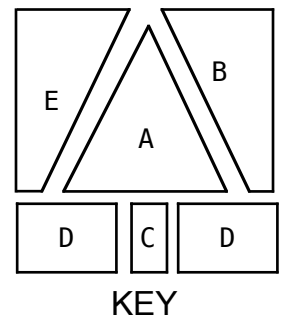
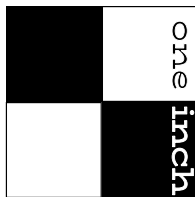
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# Christmas Trees

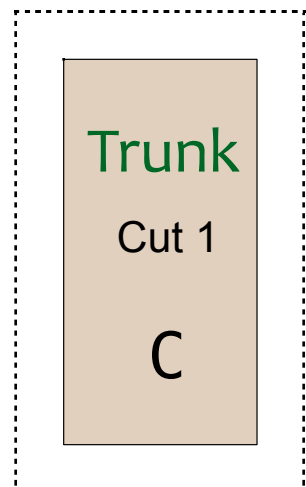


Finished size:  
68" high x 63" wide



Originally made for a sewing group swap, these Christmas Tree Block trees are fun to make and sew up quickly. Make 3 blocks for every person in the swap (include yourself). The tree takes about a minute to construct; the choosing of fabric and cutting take a bit longer.

NOTE: If background fabric is doubled, with Right Sides Together (RST), then you can cut 1 of the Upper Background pieces, B and E. With the fabrics RST, the one cut will naturally reverse the piece. See Tutorial on page 4 for tips on cutting multiple backgrounds.



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Upper Background  
(left)

Cut 1

E

After constructing your block, true it up to 6 ½" wide by 7 ½" tall. I try to keep the seam between the trunk and the tree at mostly the same distance in every block, about 5 ½" down from the top edge.

However if you are doing a swap, you may not have that luxury, but it will still be a great quilt!

Upper Background  
(right)

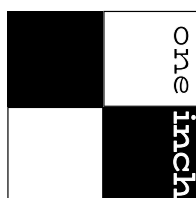
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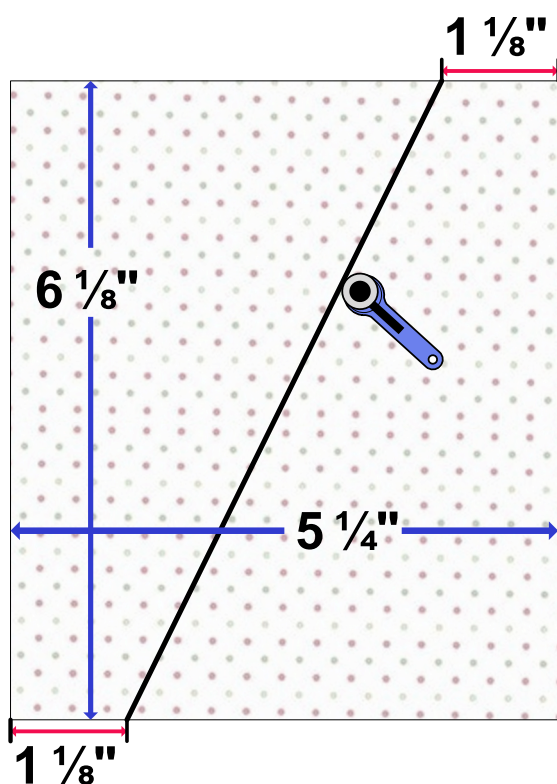
Lower Background

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Cut 2







If you want to cut out a lot of Upper Backgrounds at once, do this:

1-Layer two pieces of fabric with **wrong sides together** (like it comes off the bolt).

2- Cut a square  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " by  $6\frac{1}{8}$ ."

3- Measure  $1\frac{1}{8}$ " in from corner on opposite sides, and draw or cut a diagonal line. The resulting piece should be the same size as your piece B or E.

Remember that these pieces are opposite of each other, so don't layer up your fabrics with all right sides up, or this won't work.

Layer up multiple fabrics to cut many backgrounds, but *always* in pairs of two and *always* with wrong sides together.



I made 81 Christmas Tree blocks, and used 3" rectangle blocks to stagger them.

Place some of the rectangles at the top, and others at the bottom.

Sew together in columns, then the columns together. Cut  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " strips of red for a small border around the outside edge.

Back, quilt and bind with matching fabric.



Write if you have any questions—

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