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Christmas Ribbons by Jane Davidson

'Tis the season to be Jolly, Fa la la la la la la la. Hi, I am Quiltjane from Want it, Need it, Quilt {quiltjane.blogspot.com} and I am very excited to be back with a festive recipe - Christmas Ribbons. It is winter in Australia and the perfect time to make Christmas projects and snuggle up near a toasty fire.

Today, I bring you a quilt made with French General's Fa La La La La collection. I have combined piecing and appliqué to create a ribbon effect that twines its way throughout the blocks.

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Ingredients:



- 1 x Fa la la Layer Cake
- 1/2 yd 13586-16
- 1/2 yd 13587-14
- 1/2 yd 13582-11 (Binding)
- 1 1/4 yds 13583-14
- 1/2 yd 13529-70
- Heat n Bond Light
- Template plastic

Cutting

From the light coloured yardage and layer cake squares cut:

- 36 x 7" squares, cut on the diagonal to yield 72 triangles
- 18 x 4 1/4" dark squares and 18 x 4 1/4" light squares
- 72 x 3 1/4" squares
- 144 x 2 1/2" x 6 1/4" rectangles



Sashing blocks (144) 2.5" x 6.25"



Ribbon pinwheels (72) 3 1/4" squares



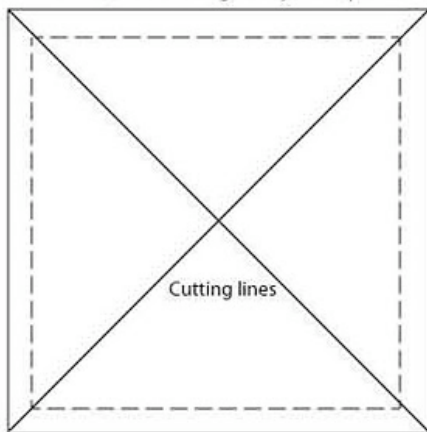
Pinwheel Blocks 18 dark and 18 light - 4 1/4" blocks
Makes 12 pinwheels and 12 half pinwheels



These are the four blocks we will be making.

From top left: Sashing block, Pinwheel, Ribbon Pinwheel, and Ribbon block

Sew 1/4" around edge of layered squares



Pinwheels - Make 12 Full, 12 Half

To make the pinwheels:

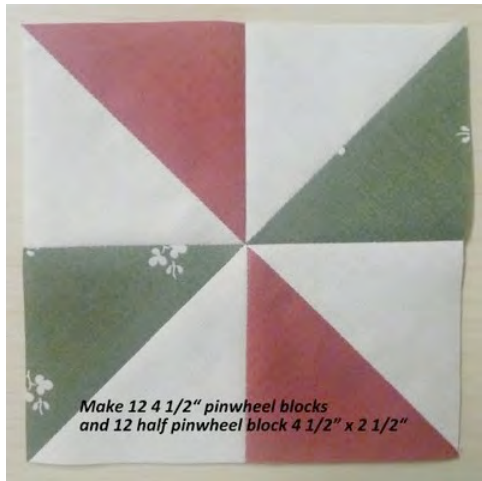
- Place a light coloured 4 1/4" square right sides together with a dark coloured 4 1/4" square.
- Sew 1/4" inch all the way around the border of the squares.
- Cut once across the diagonal and then without separating the block, cut on the opposite diagonal. Press open the seams.



This technique yields 4 half square triangle (HST's)

- Trim back evenly to make an unfinished 2 1/2" square (or sew together first and then trim back to 4 1/2" unfinished block)

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- Sew four HST's together to make one pinwheel. Make 12 in total.
- Sew two HST's together to make half pinwheels. Make 12 in total.



Sashing Blocks - Make 30

- Make 30 sashing blocks by sewing (2) 6 1/4" x 2 1/2" strips together. Keep the remaining 24 single strips for outer sashing.



Ribbon Blocks - Make 36

- Cut the 7" light coloured blocks once on the diagonal to yield 72 triangles.

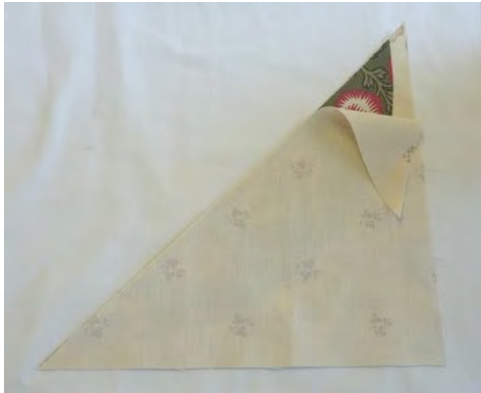


- Trace the large ribbon template onto the fusible web (Heat n Bond light).
- Cut around trace line leaving 1/8" around curve line. (Stops the fabric fraying when bonded and cut).
- Don't forget to leave 1/4" seam allowance as indicated on the template.

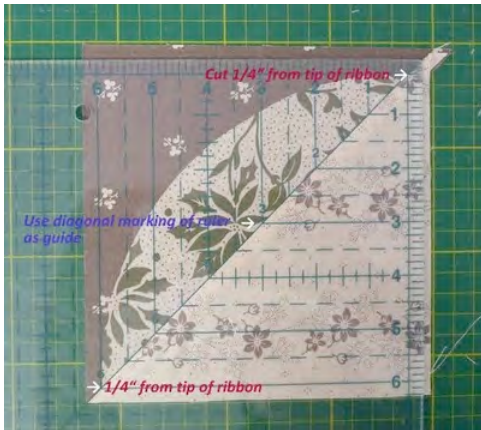
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- Peel off the backing paper and press ribbon appliqué onto a large triangle piece. Make sure to centre the ribbon.



- With right sides together, sew the two pieces together along the longest side of the triangle. Press seam to one side.



- Trim finished block to 6 1/4" square. Remember to leave 1/4" at each tip of the ribbon appliqué when cutting.
- Using matching thread machine appliqué your ribbon along the curve.



Ribbon Pinwheel Blocks - Make 13 Full, 8 half, 4 single
 These are made the same way as the larger ribbon blocks.

- Cut the 3 1/4" squares on the diagonal to yield 72 triangles.
- Trace the small ribbon template onto the fusible web (Heat n Bond Light). Don't cut on the trace line. Leave 1/8" allowance.
- Fuse to dark fabric per manufactures instructions. Cut on trace line for arc but leave a 1/4" seam allowance beyond the template. Make 72.

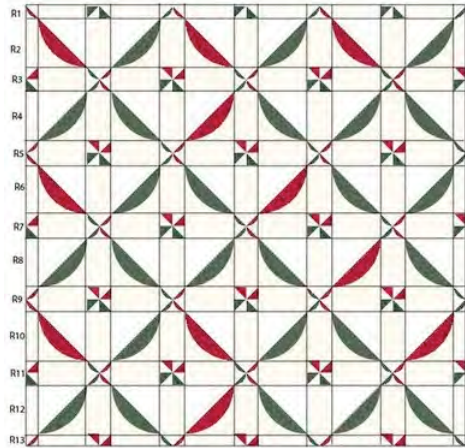
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- Peel the backing off the fusible web and iron on one triangle, making sure to centre the ribbon appliqué.
- Place another triangle right sides together and sew along the long side. Trim back to 2 1/2" squares.
- Remember to trim the blocks evenly, leaving 1/4" at each tip of the ribbon.

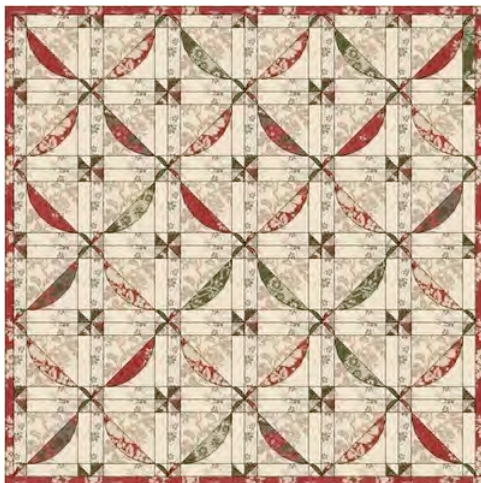


- Make 13 blocks as illustrated.
- Make 8 half blocks and keep 4 single blocks.
- Using matching thread, machine appliqué the curves of each ribbon.



Putting the quilt top together

The quilt is sewn in 13 rows as illustrated.



- Layout your rows on the floor or design wall to ensure everything is facing the correct way, then sew the blocks together to make a row and then sew the rows together.
- This pattern has a slight variation. The ribbons in the pinwheels are facing upward.



Finishing the Quilt

- Layer backing, wadding and quilt top together and quilt as desired. I used an all over feathery pattern with fine matching thread.



Cut 6 2 1/4" strips across the width of the binding fabric and piece the strips together at a 45-degree angle. Attach binding and stand back and admire your festive masterpiece.

Yield

One festive quilt 60" x 60"

Garnishes

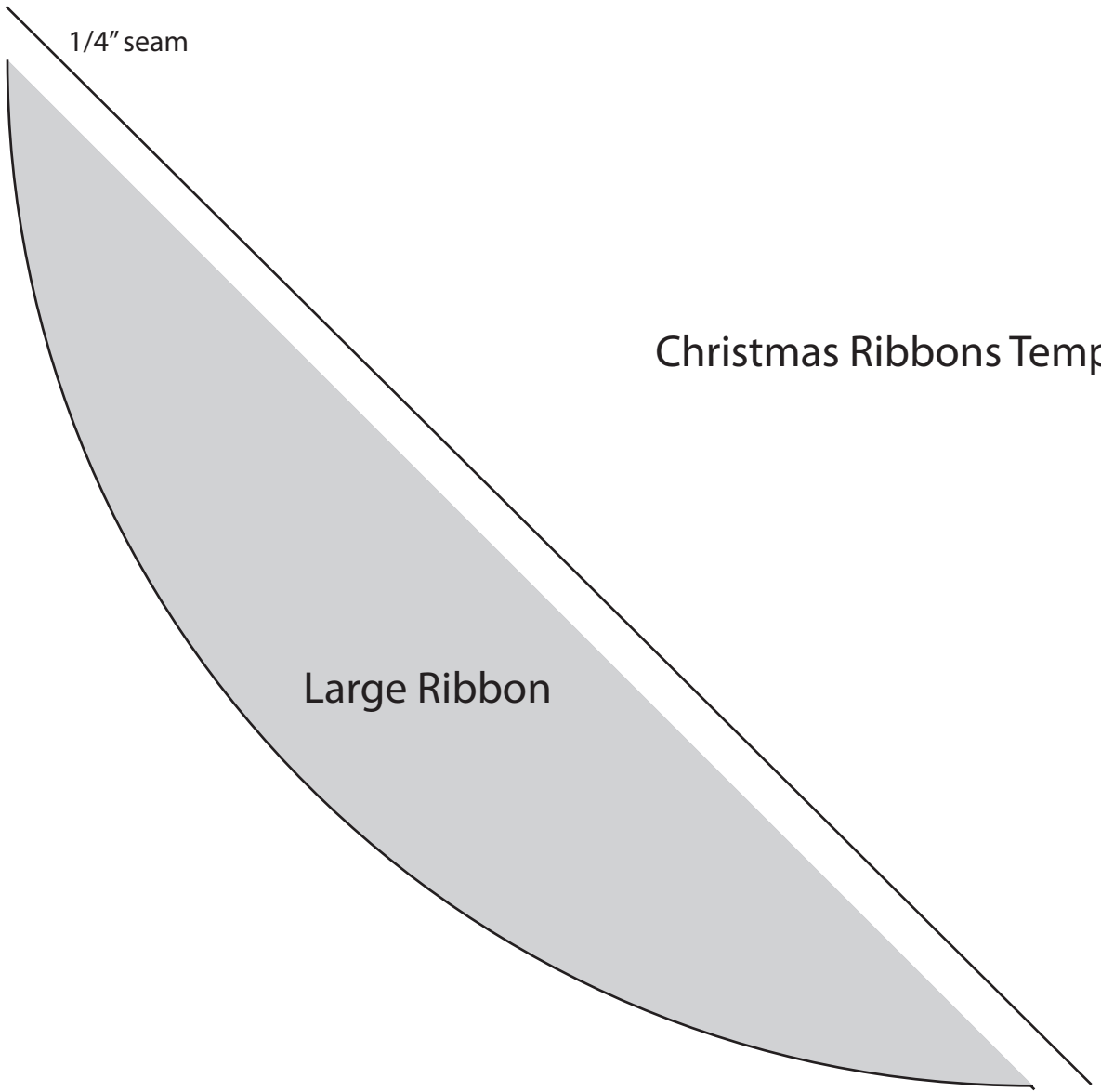
Spice it up with tiny yo-yos (suffolk pokes) or Christmas buttons in the centres of the pinwheels and ribbon pinwheels.

I hope you have enjoyed today's Christmas recipe. Please upload a photo to my Flickr gallery {flickr.com/groups/wantitneeditquilt} if you make any of my MBS projects. I would love to see them.

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Christmas Ribbons Templates



1 inch

