

Please read all the instructions thoroughly before you begin.

If you are unsure of any of the methods or techniques described in this pattern, please contact your local quilt shop or visit [www.quilting.about.com](http://www.quilting.about.com) for help.

All seams are 1/4" unless otherwise noted and seam allowances are included in the cut sizes.

## Small Tree Skirt (42")

### Cutting Directions:

Light: Cut 4 -  $5\frac{3}{4}$ " squares; mark one diagonal; cut on the other diagonal  
Cut 4 -  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares; mark one diagonal; cut on the other diagonal

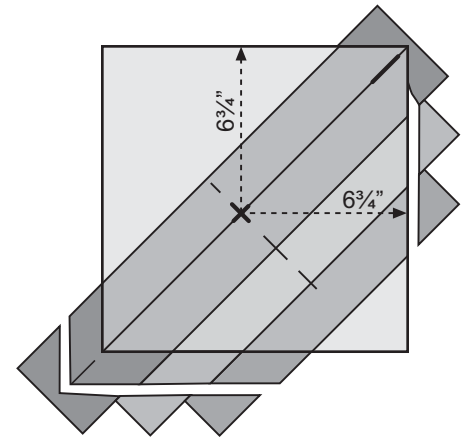
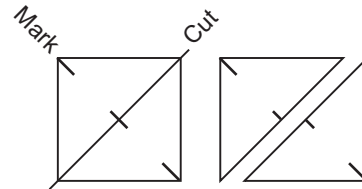
Paisley: Cut 8 - 4" x 20" strips

Red: Cut 8 -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 16" strips

Cut 8 -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6" strips

Black Print: Cut 8 -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 12" strips

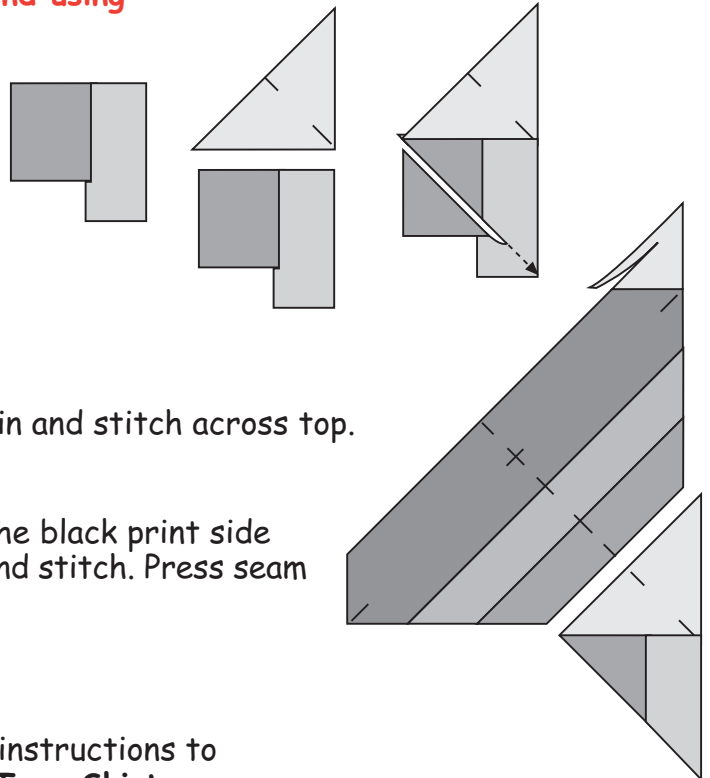
Cut 8 -  $3\frac{3}{4}$ " squares



### Assemble units:

Begin by marking the lengthwise center line of the paisley strips. Mark the center of each strip as shown. Matching centers, sew the strips together, pressing seams toward paisley strip. **Working with wrong side facing up, trim one end of the finished strip set using the  $6\frac{3}{4}$ " marks on the squaring ruler. Rotate ruler and trim the other end using the same  $6\frac{3}{4}$ " marks. Make eight and set aside.**

Put a  $3\frac{3}{4}$ " black print square on the top left corner of a 6" red strip. Pin and stitch. Open and press seam toward the black print square. Position a large light triangle on top, aligning top and right raw edges. Pin and stitch across top. Open and press toward the triangle. Square up the piece by trimming from the point of the light triangle. Make eight and set aside.



Pin small light triangle at upper right of strip set. Pin and stitch across top. Press and trim excess light triangle fabric.

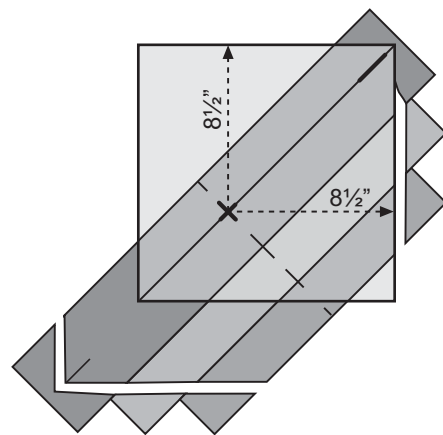
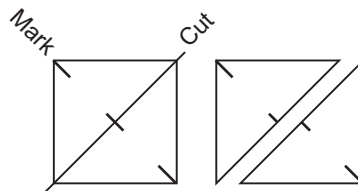
Match center marks on the light triangle unit and the black print side of the strip set as shown. Pin right sides together and stitch. Press seam away from light triangle. Make eight units.

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# Large Tree Skirt 54"

## Cutting Directions:

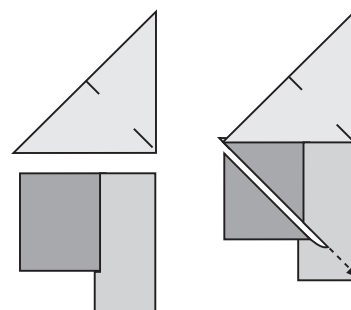
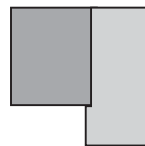
- Light: Cut 4 - 7" squares; mark one diagonal; cut on the other diagonal
- Cut 4 - 5" squares; mark one diagonal; cut on the other diagonal
- Paisley: Cut 8 - 5½" x 26" strips
- Red: Cut 8 - 3" x 20" strips
- Cut 8 - 3" x 7½" strips
- Black print: Cut 8 - 3" x 15" strips
- Cut 8 - 5" squares



## Assemble units:

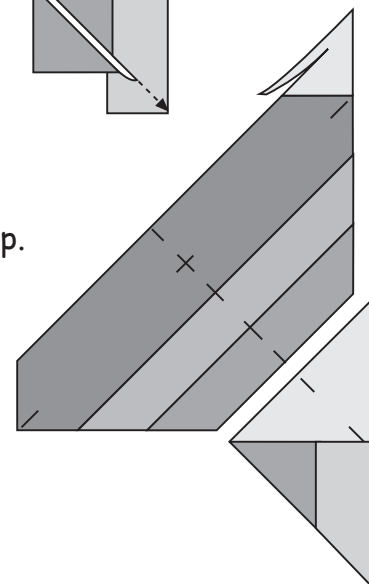
Begin by marking the lengthwise center line of the paisley strips. Mark the center of each strip as shown. Matching centers, sew the strips together, pressing seams toward paisley strip. **Working with wrong side facing up, trim one end of the finished strip set using the 8½" marks on the squaring ruler. Rotate ruler and trim the other end using the same 8½" marks. Make eight and set aside.**

Put a 5" black print square on the top left corner of a 7½" red strip. Pin and stitch. Open and press seam toward the black print square. Position a large light triangle on top, aligning top and right raw edges. Pin and stitch across top. Open and press seam toward the triangle. Square up the piece by trimming from the point of the light triangle. Make eight and set aside.



Pin small light triangle at upper right of strip set. Pin and stitch across top. Press and trim excess light triangle fabric.

Match center marks on the light triangle unit and the black print side of the strip set as shown. Pin right sides together and stitch. Press seam away from light triangle. Make eight units.



## Assemble the Tree Skirt:

Mark a ¼" seam allowance on the long edge of the paisley strip. Pin two pieces, right sides together, matching seam allowances at bottom as shown. Stitch and press toward paisley strip.

Add remaining six pieces but do not sew the eighth seam - you'll need that open to get around the tree.

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