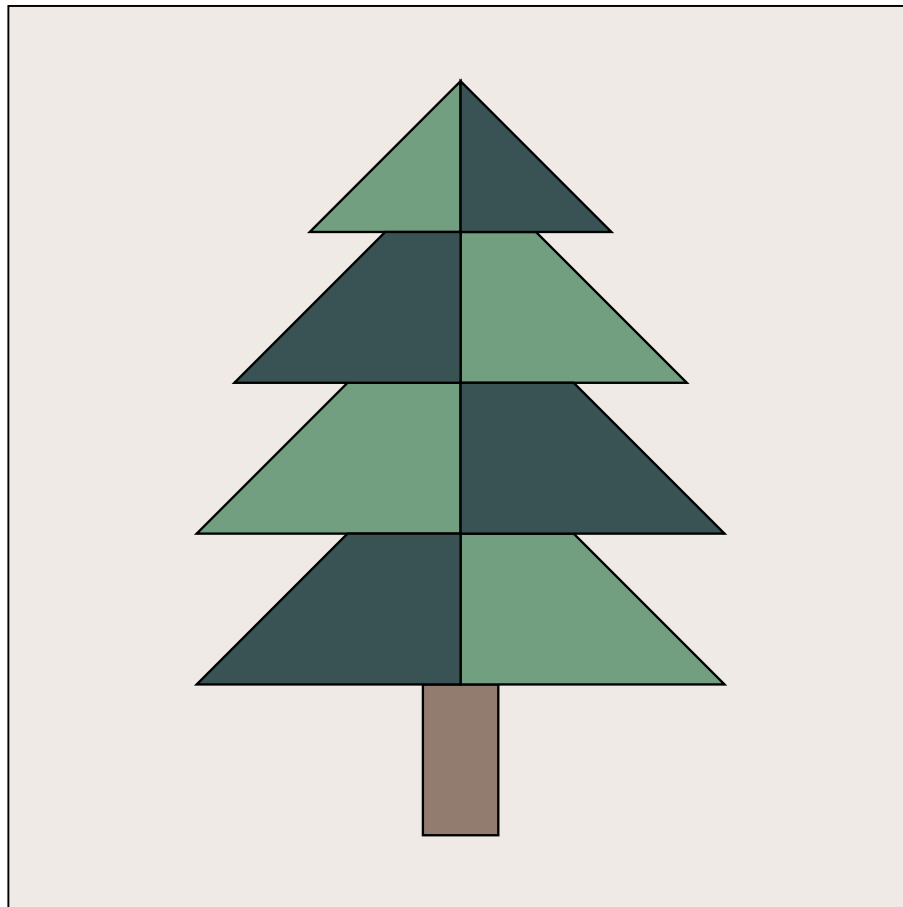




Evergreen

A foundation paper piecing pattern by Astrid Bordush



Quilt block (finished size: 12" x 12")

Skill level – Confident beginner ●●○○○







Before you start...

- Please read through all instructions before beginning.
- FPP = foundation paper piecing
- FQ = fat quarter (usable dimensions assumed to be 17" x 20")
- WOF = width of fabric (usable width assumed to be 40")
- RST = right sides together
- All seam allowances are 1/4".
- Many diagrams include pressing directions:

▶ :	Press seam in direction of arrow
● :	Press seam open
- You can combine the **Evergreen** quilt block with all other blocks from the **Cozy Holidays Collection**.
- A colouring sheet to plan your own **Evergreen** quilt block is included on page 5.
- Tags to label your background pieces can be found on page 6 and all foundation paper templates can be found on pages 7-8.
- If you are new to foundation paper piecing, you might find [this video tutorial](#) helpful.
- I would love to see what you make with this quilt block pattern! Share your projects on social media using the hashtags #CozyHolidaysQuilt and/or #ApplesAndBeaversPatterns!

Fabric requirements

Focus fabrics	Tree, main 1		Assorted scraps
	Tree, main 2		
	Tree stem		
Background			1 FQ or 1/4 yd*

* This is a generous estimate. If you are an experienced paper piecer, you may need less.

Tab. 1 Fabric requirements

(Please note: Non-directional fabrics are assumed and recommended.)

Overview

Evergreen is a foundation paper piecing pattern for a quilt block finishing at 12" x 12". It is comprised of 5 FPP sections (labeled **A** to **E**) and 2 additional background pieces (see Fig. 1).

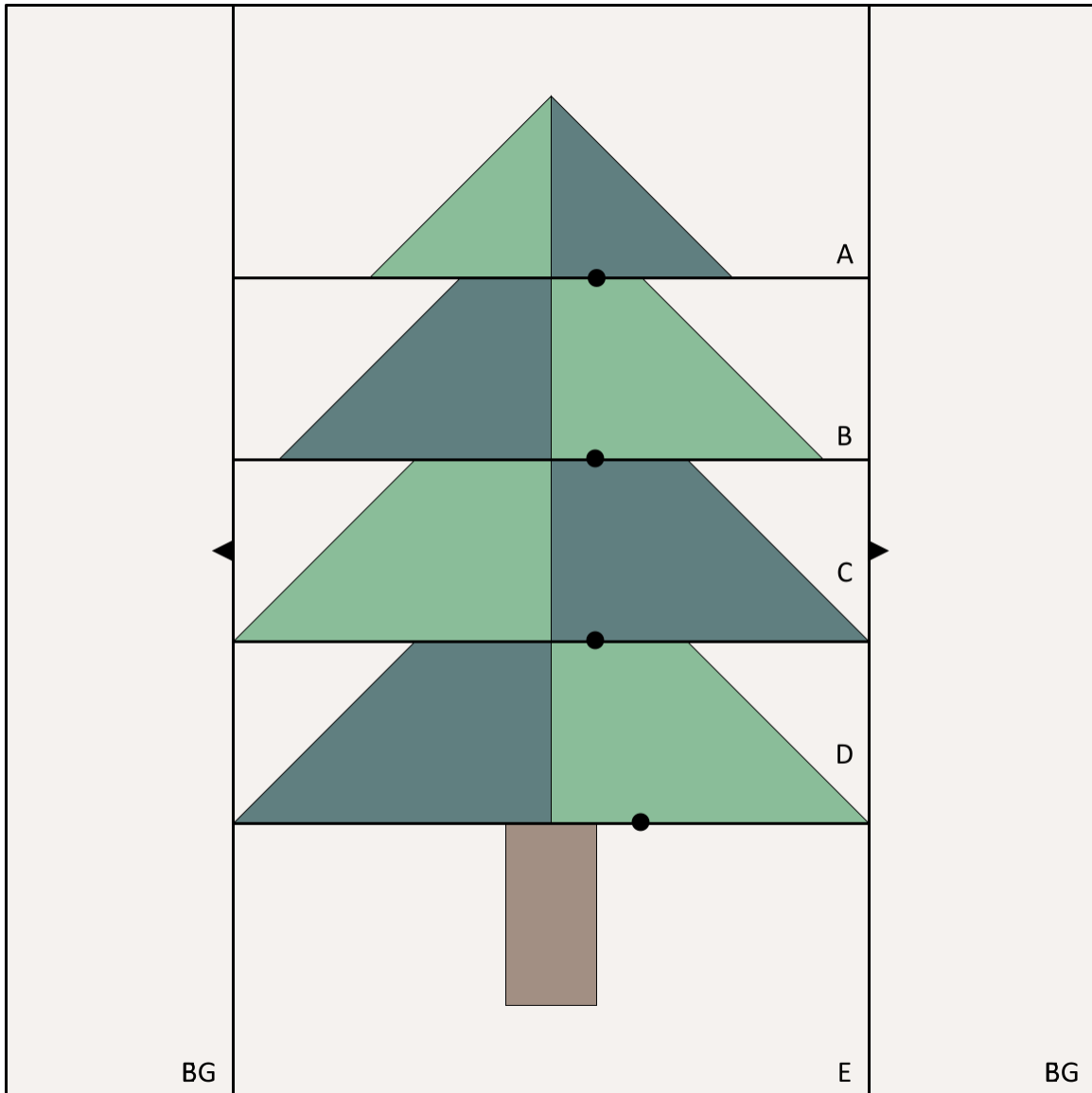


Fig. 1 Overview of quilt block

Preparing your FPP templates

Print your FPP templates from pages 7-8. Be sure to print the templates without scaling (printer setting “actual size” or 100%) and verify that the test square measures exactly 1”.

Rough cut your paper templates outside the dashed lines.

Cutting instructions

Prepare the background pieces listed in Tab. 2.

	Pieces	Dimensions	Quantity
Background	BG	3" x 12 1/2"	2

Tab. 2 Overview of your background pieces

Label your background pieces to prevent any mix-up and keep your off-cuts to use when piecing your FPP block.

Piecing your FPP block

Piecing your FPP sections

1. Using the printed templates, your background fabric and off-cuts and your assorted scraps for the tree details, piece your 5 FPP sections **A-E** according to common FPP practices. Pre-cut your fabric pieces according to the size and shape of each numbered segment. Use the overview diagram in Fig. 1 and the swatch legend on p. 6 to locate each section and to keep track of your fabrics.

A few tips

- Reduce your stitch length to about 1.5.
- Use special foundation paper or newsprint.
- Pre-fold your templates along all sewing lines before sewing.
- Oversize your fabric pieces for each segment sufficiently!
- Cutting your background fabric into strips (e.g. 3" wide), then sub-cutting smaller pieces as needed can be a great way to speed up your piecing process and to use your fabric more efficiently.
- More tips are mentioned in [this video tutorial](#).

2. Trim each finished FPP section along the dashed lines. Carefully remove all the paper and lay out your sections as shown in Fig. 1 to keep track of their position in the final block.

Please note: I recommend removing the paper this early in the process because all the FPP sections are very simple shapes. They are easy to line up during assembly and your seams will be easier to press without the paper.

Assembly of your block

3. Refer to Fig. 1 to assemble your FPP block. Follow these steps:
 - a. RST, sew your **B** section to the bottom of your **A** section (nest the vertical seams in the centre of both sections!) and press your seam open.

- b. RST, sew your **D** section to the bottom of your **C** section (nest the vertical seams in the centre of both sections!) and press your seam open.
- c. RST, sew your **CD** section to the bottom of your **AB** section (nest the vertical seams in the centre of both sections!) and press your seam open.
- d. RST, sew your **E** section to the bottom of your **ABCD** section and press your seam open.
- e. RST, sew your **BG** pieces to the left and right of your tree section and press your seams towards the **BG** pieces.

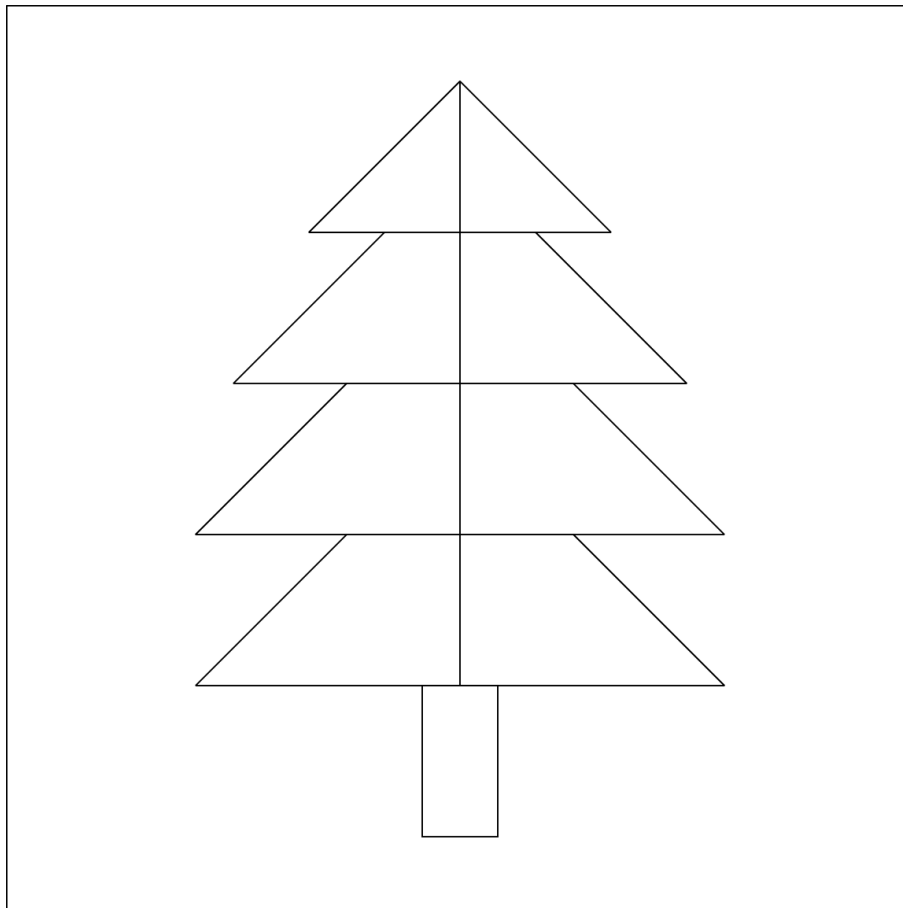
Your completed *Evergreen* block should look like Fig. 1 and measure 12 1/2" x 12 1/2".

Finishing your quilt

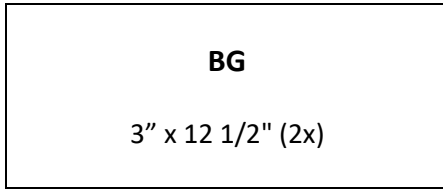
If you are making this block as part of the *Cozy Holidays* sampler quilt, please refer to the instructions in the *Gingham Star Sashing* pattern to assemble your quilt top.

Finish (baste, quilt and bind) your quilt as desired.

Colouring page






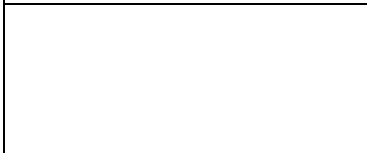
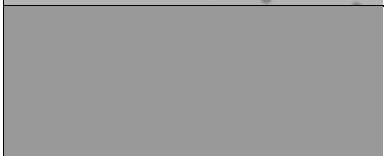

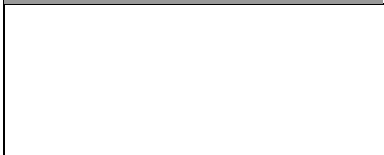
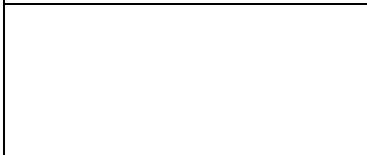
Tags to label your pieces

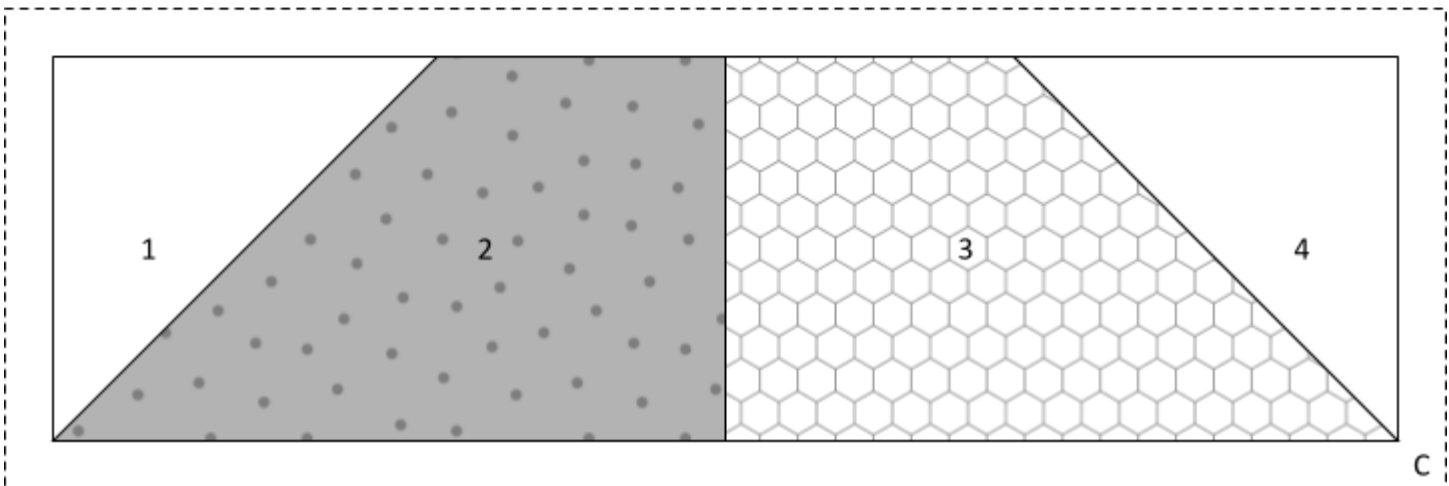
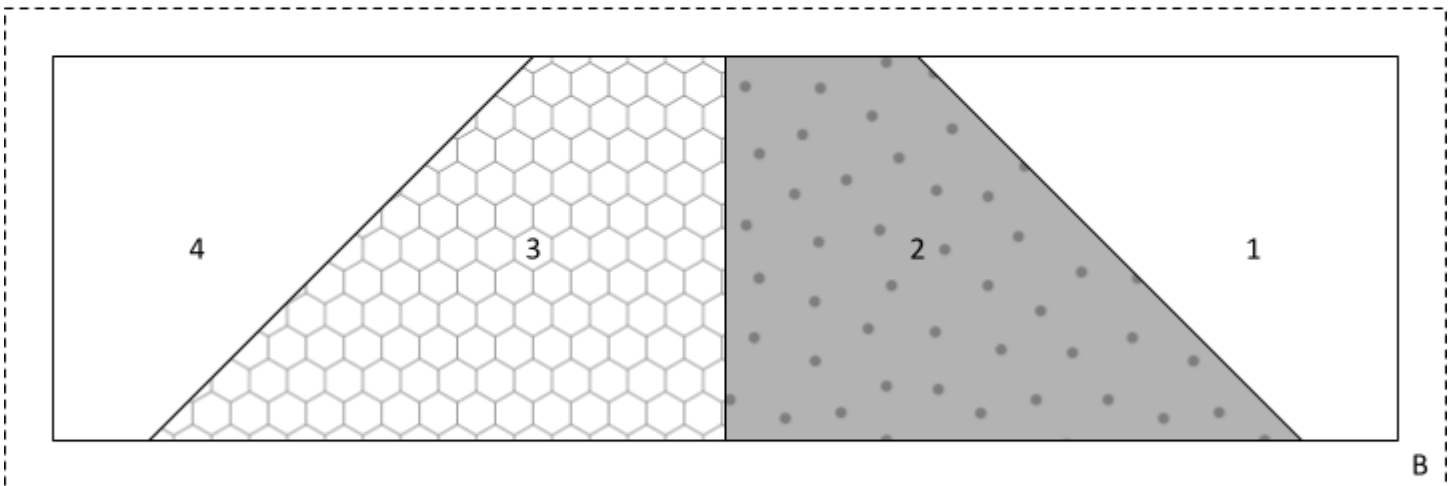
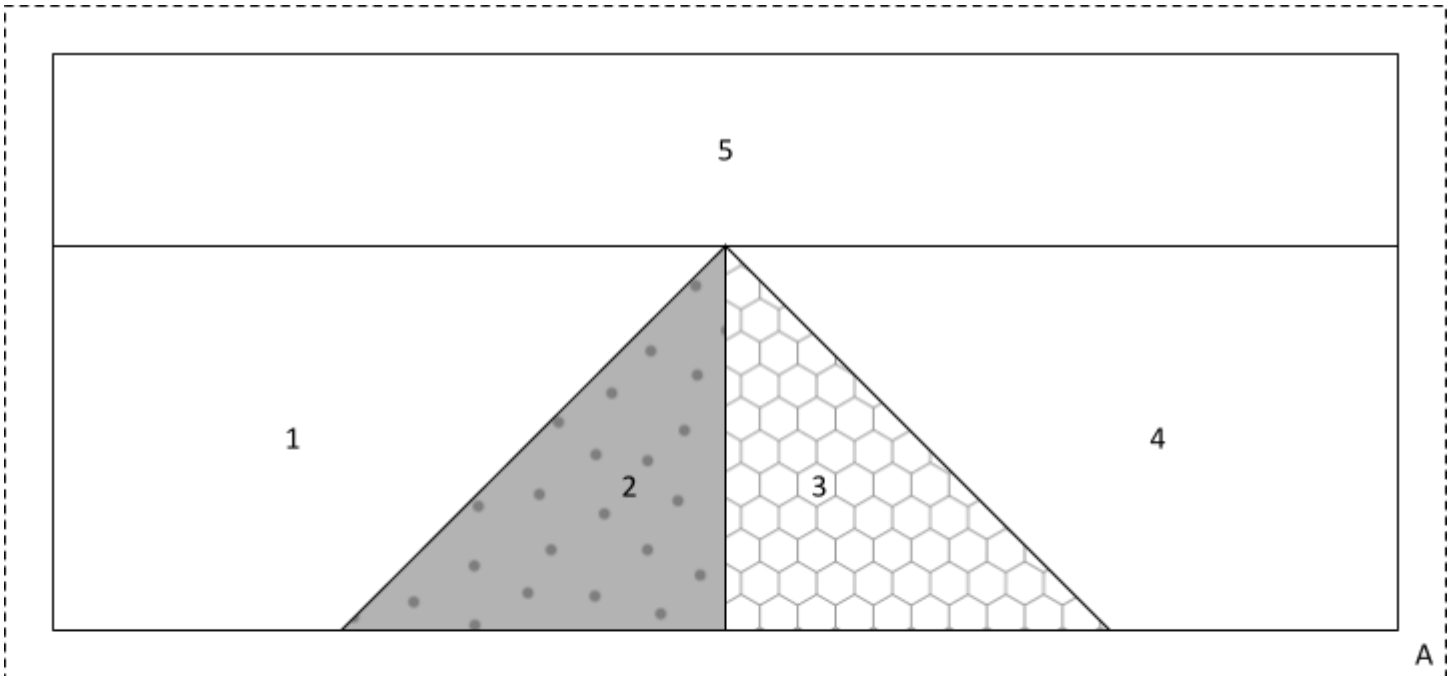


FPP Templates

Swatch legend

You can use this swatch legend to keep track of the fabrics you are using.

	Shading of FPP templates	Your fabrics
Tree, main 1:		
Tree, main 2:		
Tree stem:		
Background:		



1" x 1"
test square

