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Tree Skirt Halos

a 1-3 day class for 74" Circular 9° Patterns

Pleated & Fluted—one halo (select A, B, or C)

- 1. Select one theme fabric and purchase 11/2 yards. Cut (8) 6" x 45" strips.
- 2. Choose A, B, or C below as the partners to the theme fabric:
- A. Select 2 assorted fabrics as partners and purchase 3/4 yard each Cut (4) 6" x 45" strips from each fabric (8 strips total)
- B. Select 4 assorted fabrics as partners and purchase 1/2 yard each Cut (2) 6" x 45" strips from each fabric (8 strips total)
- C. Select 8 assorted fabrics as partners and purchase 1/4 yard each
 Cut (1) 6" x 45" strip from each fabric (8 strips total)
- 3. Pair up one theme strip (face to face) with each of the assorted strips. Sew a 1/4" seam along each (long) edge to create a sandwich. Reserve and bring to class.

Blazing Fingers—two halos

Arrange your fabrics in an attractive yet contrasting flow using assorted widths. For 45° angles: Plan the strata unit to be 13" tall when sewn. Be sure to put at least a 41/2" wide strip (cut size) at the top and bottom of the strata plan.* Add 1/2" to each of the other fabrics to determine the cut size of each strip. Cut 14 strips of each fabric and sew 14 identical strata units. Iron 14 strata with their seams to Fabric #1.

For 60° angles: Plan the strata unit to be 14" tall when sewn. Be sure to put at least a 31/2" wide strip (cut size) at the top and bottom of the strata plan. Add 1/2" to each of the other fabrics to determine the cut size of each strip. Cut 12 strips of each fabric and sew 12 identical strata units. Iron 12 strata with their seams to Fabric #1.

*Note: If you will be "leaving the flags on," use any widths of cloth desired in the first and last fabric positions.





Blazing with flags on

Chevron with flags on

Chevron—two halos

Use the same information as *Blazing Fingers*. Note: Strata production is the same, mathematically speaking. Counter-cutting techniques will be different. Iron half of the strata with their seams to Fabric #1, and iron the other half with their seams toward the last fabric for either style, 45° or 60°.

Double Inverted Chevron—one halo

Arrange your fabrics in an attractive yet contrasting flow using assorted widths. Have the fabrics you want to "show off" be the first and last three at each edge, top and bottom. Also, be bold and dramatic in the middle of the strata plan. Have the first and last fabrics be different widths.

For 45° angles: Plan the sewn heights to be 13" tall. Add 1/2" to the sewn height of each strip for seam allowances. Cut 10 strips of each fabric and sew 10 identical strata units. Iron 5 strata with their seams to Fabric #1 and 5 strata with their seams toward the last fabric.

For 60° angles: Plan the sewn heights to be 14" tall. Add 1/2" to the sewn height of each strip for seam allowances. Cut 8 strips of each fabric and sew 8 identical strata units. Iron 4 strata with their seams to Fabric #1 and 4 strata with their seams toward the last fabric.

