

# SEW EASY: Making Nine-Blade Fan Units

Using our Nine-Blade Fan Template Set and a small rotary cutter makes cutting the pieces for fan blocks faster and easier.

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## Cutting

**1.** Using center template, cut 1 center piece for each fan unit. If using the Nine-Blade Fan Template Set, use a point cutting tool to mark the notches (*Photo A*).

**2.** Cut 5½"-wide strips from fabrics to be used for blades. Cut 9 blades for each fan unit, using blade template and rotating it on strip after each cut (*Photo B*).

**3.** From background fabric, cut 10½"-wide strips. From strips, cut 10½" squares. You can cut 2 background pieces from each square.

**4.** Fold background square in half diagonally. Align fold edge of template with fold of background square and cut 1 background piece. Turn template over and cut a second piece from background square (*Photo C*). Use a point cutting tool to mark the notches in background pieces.

## Assembly

**1.** Join 9 fan blades. Press all seam allowances in one direction (*Photo D*).

**2.** Place blade unit atop center piece, right sides together. Align seams in blade unit with notches

in center piece. Place a pin at each end and at 1 or 2 of the notches in center of piece. With blade unit on top, stitch ¼" seam (*Photo E*). Press seam allowance toward center piece.

**3.** Place background piece atop blade unit, right sides together. Align seams in blade unit with notches in background piece. Place a pin at each end and at 1 or 2 of the notches in center of piece. With background piece on top, stitch ¼" seam (*Photo F*). Press seam allowance toward background piece.