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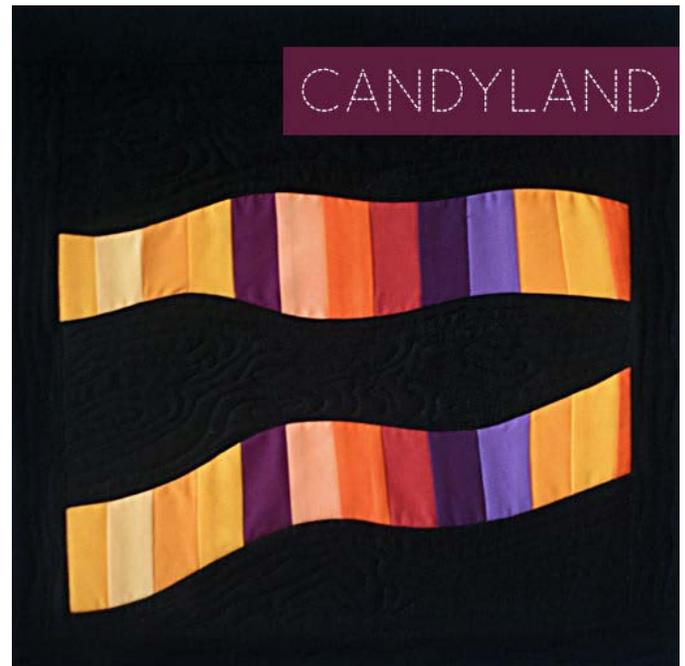
FMQ LESSON #7
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Quilting the Candyland Block

For the Candyland block I decided to take the wood grain quilting from last month and make it a more fluid, liquid, quilting pattern. To quilt your block in the same way...

- Began by first stitching in the ditch around the block/border.
- While you still have your background color thread in your machine stitch in the ditch around the outside of the colored curves.
- Now you can begin filling in the background space with wavy lines echoing the colored curves. Just like the wood grain we learned last month for the Broken Arrow block, you can create little swirls and knots except make them much rounder and more fluid.
- After the you have filled the background around the wavy curves add wavy lines to the borders.
- Bury threads and trim block down to 14.5".



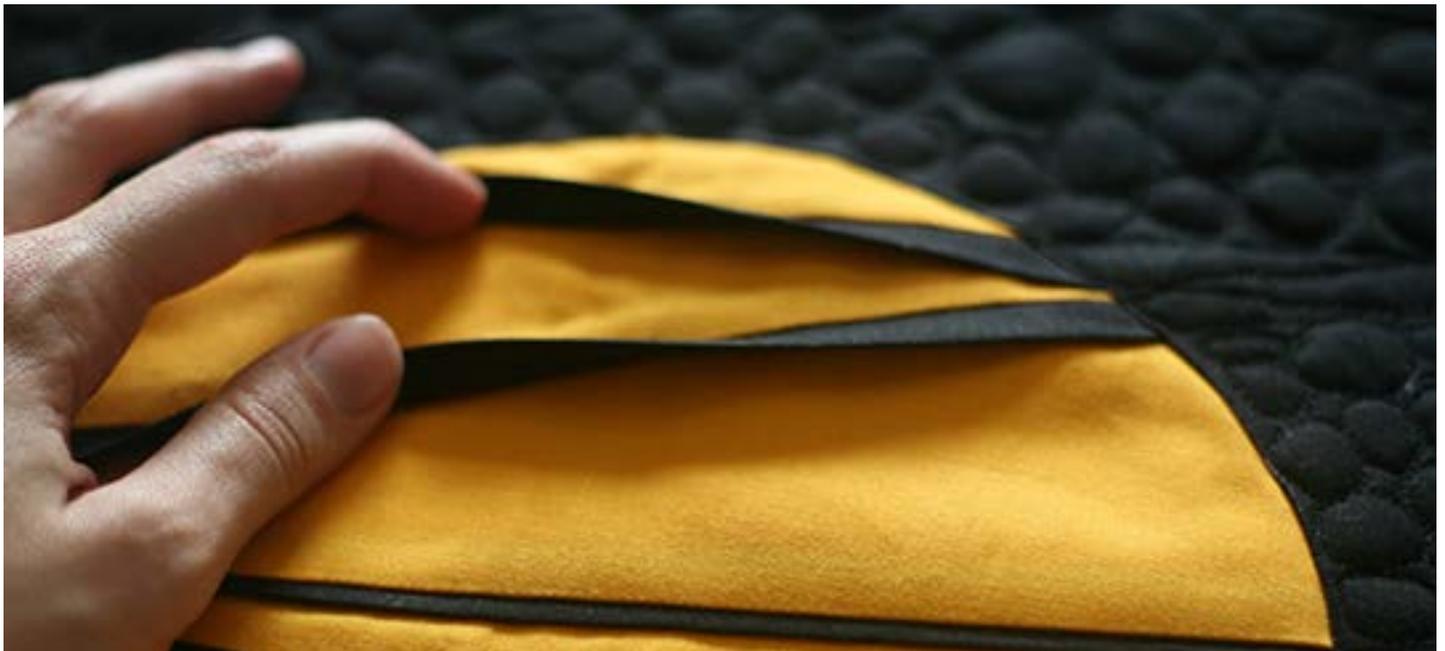
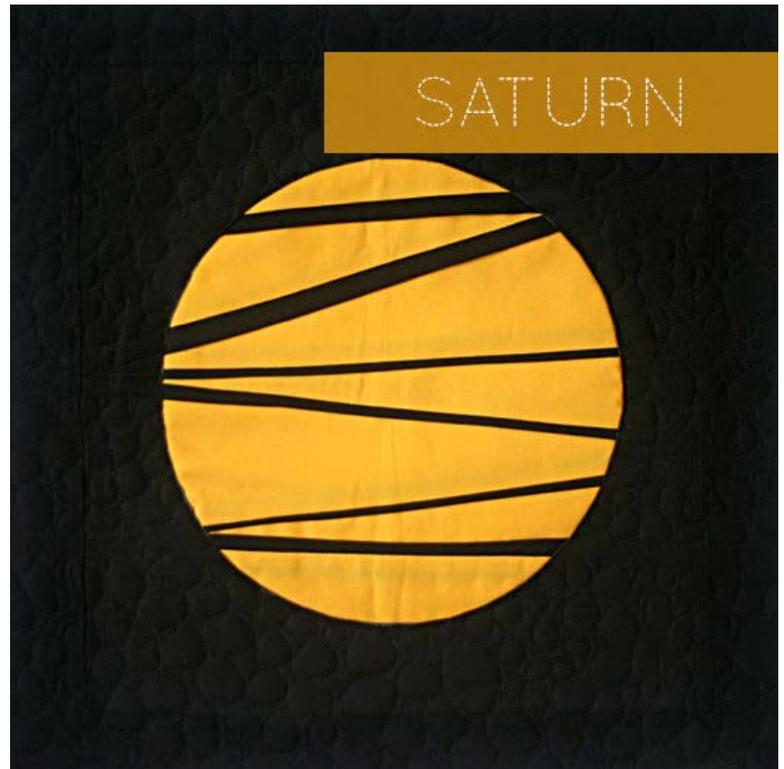
Quilting the Saturn Block

For the Saturn block I first extended the lines through the circle out off the edge of the block and then brought back one of my all time favorite patterns, the pebbles. Since there are so many meteors and fragments in deep space I figured the pebbles would be well suited. To quilt your block in the same way...

- Start by quilting in the ditch between the borders and block around all 4 sides.
- Quilt in the ditch around the entire circle. The seams around the circle are very thick so quilt slowly.
- Use a ruler and chalk pencil to mark flange lines continuing off into the background.
- Begin quilting on your chalk line from the edge of the block inward and then back out to the edge. Repeat this for all of the lines.
- Fill all the empty background space and borders with pebble quilting in various sizes. Remember that the seams around the circle are bulky so quilt slowly.
- Bury the threads and trim block down to 14.5".

Piecing Note!

If you are still piecing these blocks I want to clarify that the flanges will turn out to be flaps that are folded and pressed to one direction (downward in my block). This may not have been clear enough in the original block lesson. See photo below...



FINISHING:

Trimming/Squaring your Quilted Block up

SUPPLY LIST

- Finished, Quilted Block
- Quilting Ruler
- Chalk Pencil or Marking Pen
- Rotary Cutter
- Wet Rag

Step #1

Once you have finished quilting your block you will need to trim and square it up to 14.5" square. Before you quilted your block you marked lines one inch from the seam where the block and border meet. If those lines have disappeared at all you will need to remark them and darken your chalk line.

Step #2

Your original lines should now be very visible.

Step #3

Line your ruler up with the 1/4" mark on the chalk line you made and cut with a rotary cutter. Do this on all sides. Your block should now be 14.5".

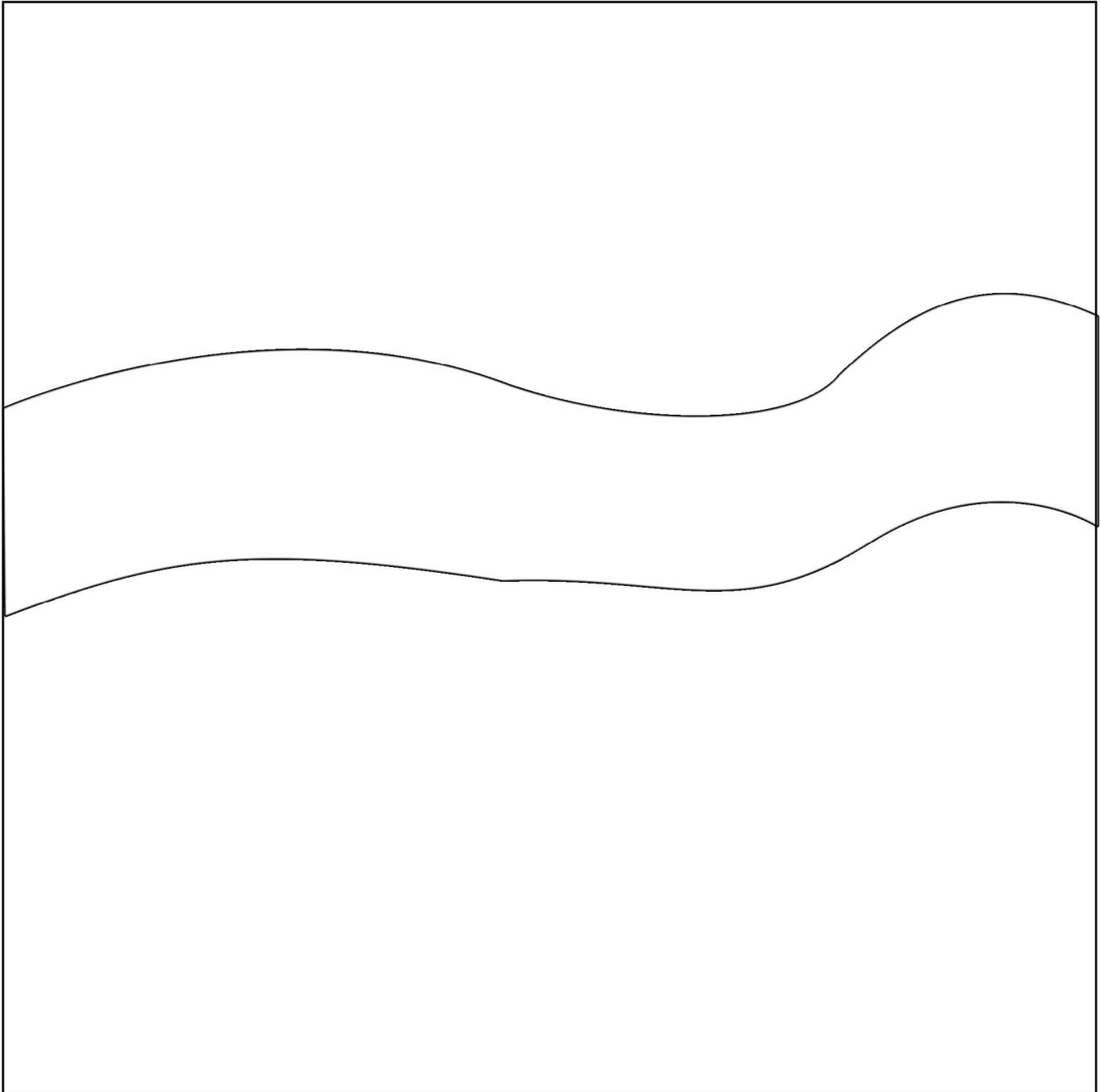
Step #4

Take a wet wash cloth and softly wipe your chalk line away. Your block can now be set aside. We will join the blocks later on in the BOM.





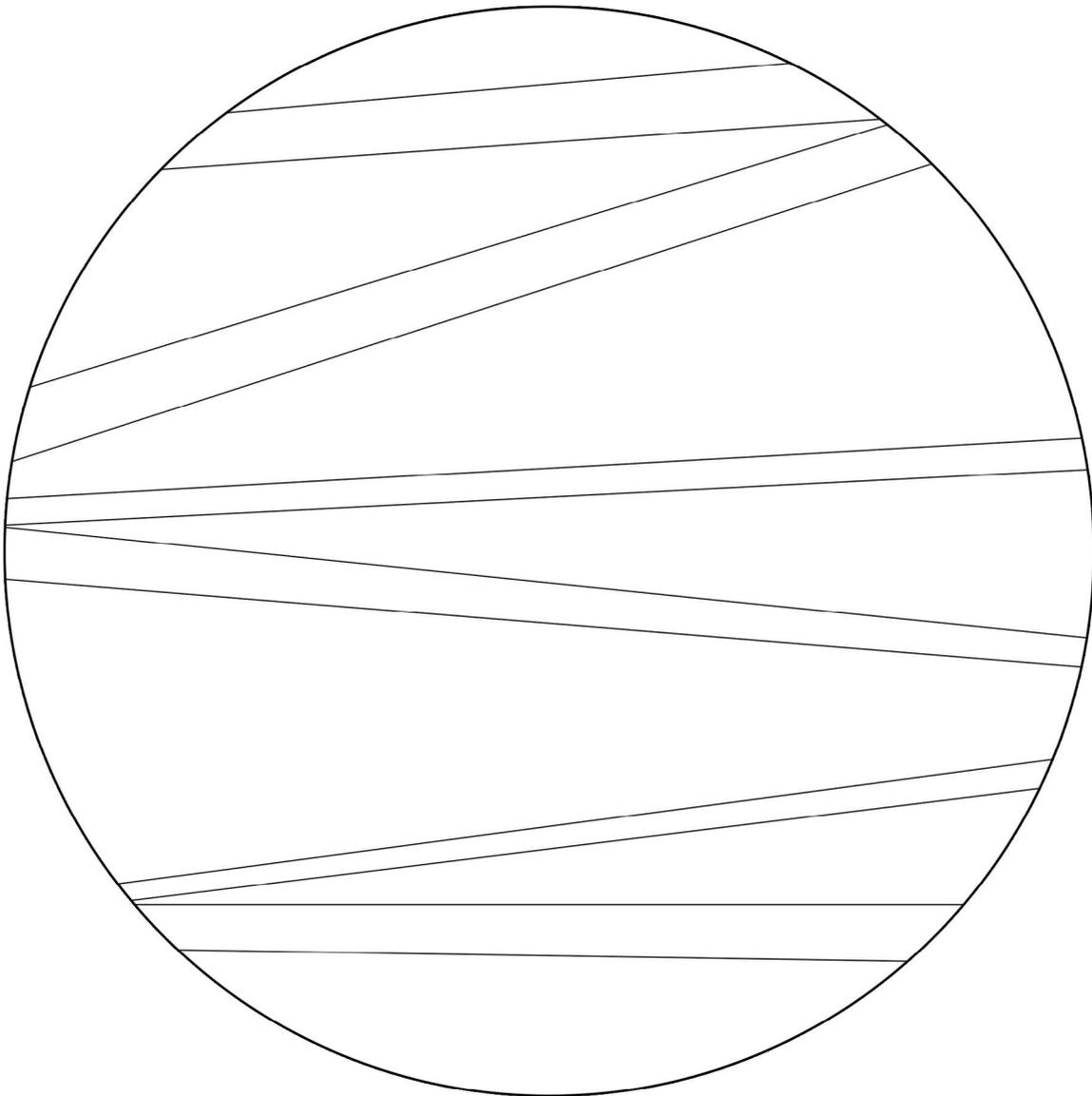
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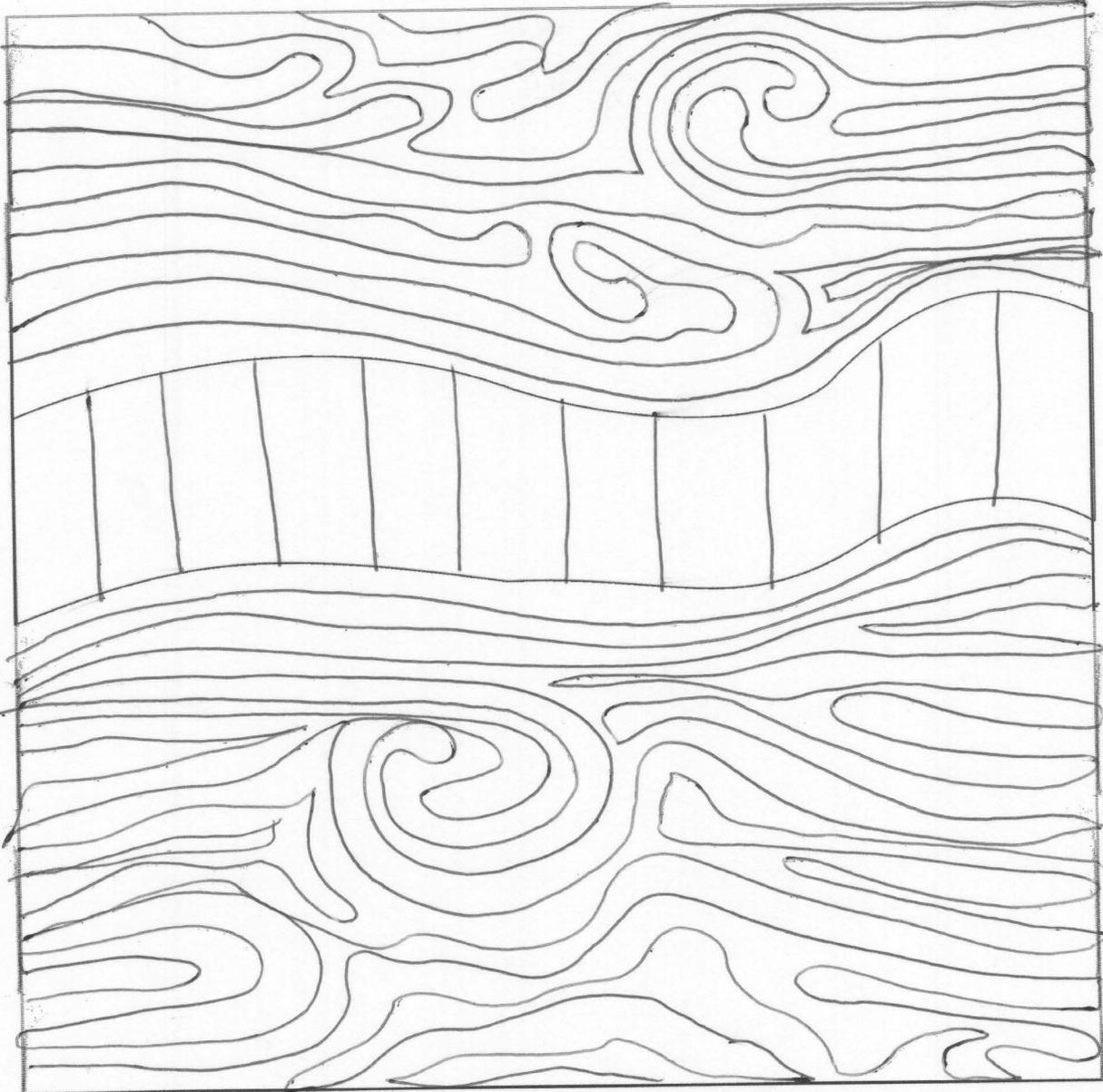
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