# Batting Buddy Template Set

Create quilt-as-you-go projects and rag quilts in no time with this two pieced template set. Printed for both right & left-handed cutting and centering lines to make it easy to place your batting and center your blocks.

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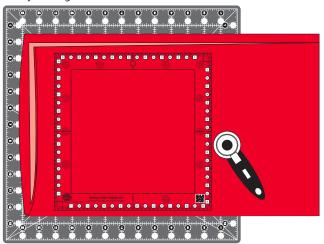
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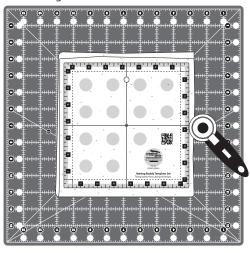


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- Pre-treat your fabrics with your favorite starch-like product to prep them for cutting and piecing.
- Pre-shrink your cotton batting by pressing it with steam. There will be more pressing in the assembly, so pre-shrinking will help it remain the size you cut it.
- Start with backing fabric. Fold fabric selvage to selvage, and then
  one more time so you have 4 layers. Place the outer frame of the
  template set on the fabric stack being sure all four sides are solidly
  on the fabric. Cut around all four sides, rotating as needed for safe
  rotary cutting.

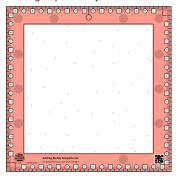


4. Take your pre-shrunk batting and fold it so you have just 2 layers to avoid wonky cuts. Place the inner square of your template set on the batting and cut around all four sides. Rotate as needed for safe cutting

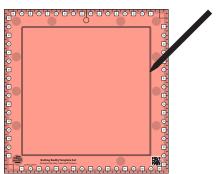


## **Block Assembly**

5. Place one piece of prepared backing wrong side up on the table. Place the outer frame on the square. Lay a piece of batting in the center of the frame to line up the edges, perfectly centered all the way around. Use a bit of basting spray if you wish to help hold the batting in place as you work.



6. Top with your chosen block, whether it's a plain square, a 4-patch, or any combination of pieces that make up a 9-1/2" square. Use the outer frame of the set to draw a boundary line for quilting by tracing the inside of the outer frame on top of the square or block. Stitch a simple X that goes corner to corner, or any design you would prefer within that drawn boundary.



**Note:** if choosing to assemble with finished edges, refer to section on "Quilt Assembly with Finished Edges".





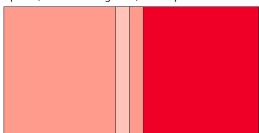


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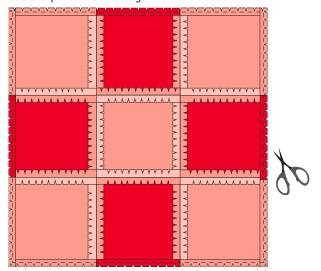
## **Batting Buddy Template Set Cont.**

## **Quilt Assembly for Rag Effect**

- 7. Lay out your quilted, prepared blocks as desired.
- 8. Start with the top left corner of the quilt. Take the first two blocks and place them together back to back. Match up the corners and edges, and pin. Stitch along the edge of the batting starting and stopping at the batting edges. Be sure to back stitch to anchor your seams at the start and finish of each section. Continue adding squares, back sides together, to complete the rows.

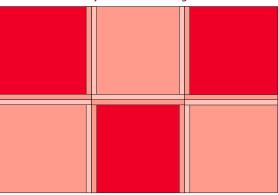


- Now stitch rows together. Line up with backing fabrics facing each other. Pin each section. Start and stop stitching at batting edges on each square.
- 10. Finish by stitching next to the batting on the outside edges of the outer squares.
- 11. Clip fabric edges approximately every 1/2". Feel free to trim larger or smaller for different affects in your rag edges. Be very careful not to clip into the stitching.

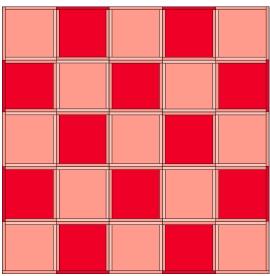


### **Quilt Assembly for Finished Edges Cont.**

 When all blocks and rows are sewn together, all that's left is to do the binding. Fold the final edges over twice, on top of your quilt, and stitch down like you did the sashing.

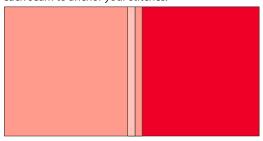


11. And you're done. No long-arming needed. No hand-stitching required.



## **Quilt Assembly for Finished Edges**

- Follow your chosen pattern from Fairy Lake Quilt Designs and other designers for block assembly.
- You'll be assembling the block onto the backing fabric with the batting you lined up in step 6 under block assembly for a quiltas-you-go effect. These blocks will be slightly smaller than the backing fabrics.
- 3. Lay quilt out as desired.
- 4. Pin sandwiched blocks together with backing fabrics facing each other.
- 5. Start with the top left corner of the quilt. Take the first two blocks and place them together back to back. Match up the corners and edges, and pin. Stitch a 1" seam, keeping the block centers free from stitching. Be sure to back stitch at the beginning and end of each seam to anchor your stitches.



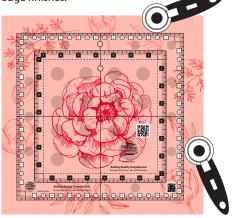
- Press the seam open. Fold the edges of the fins along the seam under twice to form the sashing between the blocks. Stitch down the folds, being sure to back stitch at the beginning and end to anchor seams.
- 7. Add the next block back to back. Stitch, press seam open, fold twice, and stitch down the folds.
- 8. Repeat until row is finished. Adding one at a time keeps it from getting too bulky in the throat of your machine. Continue with the rest of your rows.
- Once all of the rows are assembled, start stitching them together. Line them up back to back like you did the individual squares. Continue as instructed in step 6.

### **Fussing Cutting**

 Use the centering lines on the center piece of your template set to find the perfect spot for your block. Whatever shows under the template is what will show on your block after assembly.



- 2. Add the outer template piece to the center template in order to cut the square the correct size.
- 3. Proceed with quilting and assembly under your chosen style of edge finishes.







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