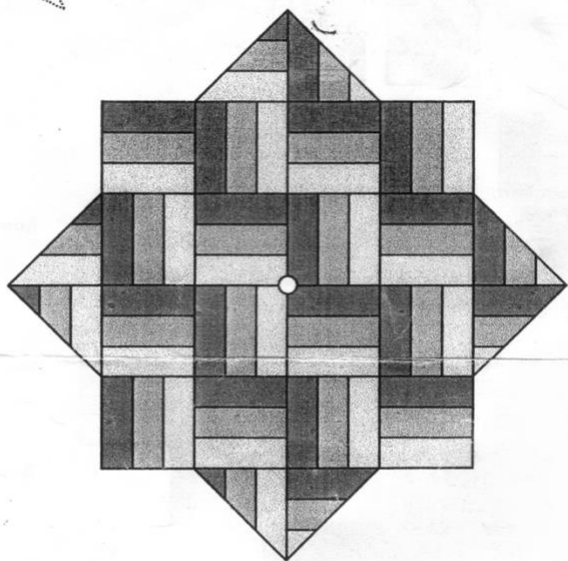
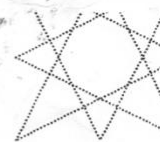


## RAIL FENCE CHRISTMAS TREE SKIRT



### Fabric requirements: -

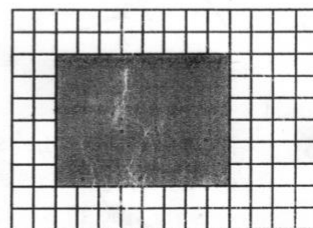
3 fat quarters of contrasting/co-ordinating fabric (minimum size 19½" x 20")

40" square of Backing fabric

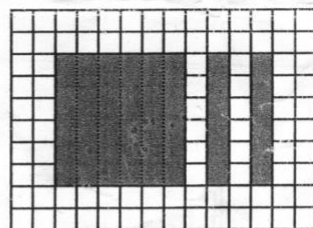
40" square of Wadding

45" of Ribbon for closure ties  
Cut into 6 pieces 7½" long)

- (1) Iron fat quarters and aligning the shortest sides of each fat quarter on the left, stack them on your cutting mat.



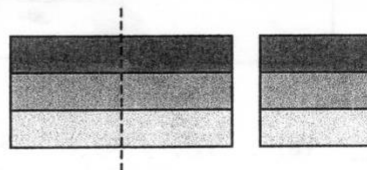
- (2) Cut eight 2½" wide strips from the fat quarter stack.

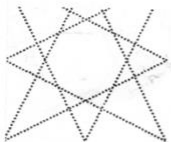


- (3) Strip piece one sets of strips using a ¼" seam allowance and a small stitch. Press seams to one side. Strips should measure 6½" wide - if they do not adjust seam allowance used until the strips are the correct width. Sew and press the remaining sets of strips.



- (4) Cut three 6½" squares from each of the eight strip pieced units (24 squares).

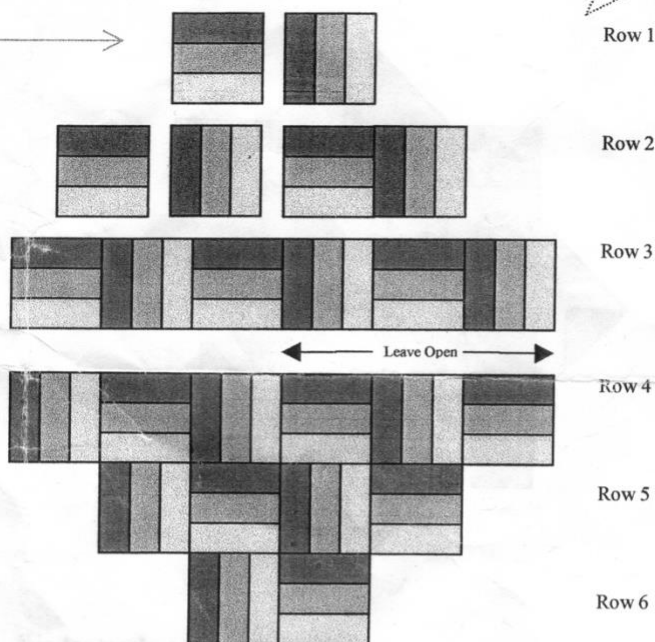
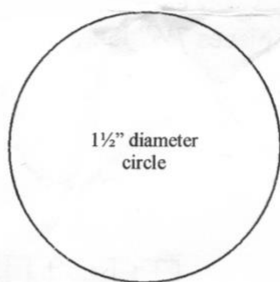




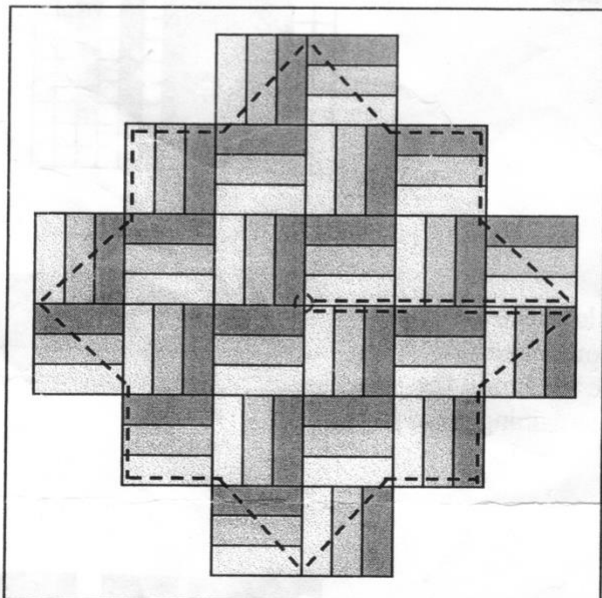
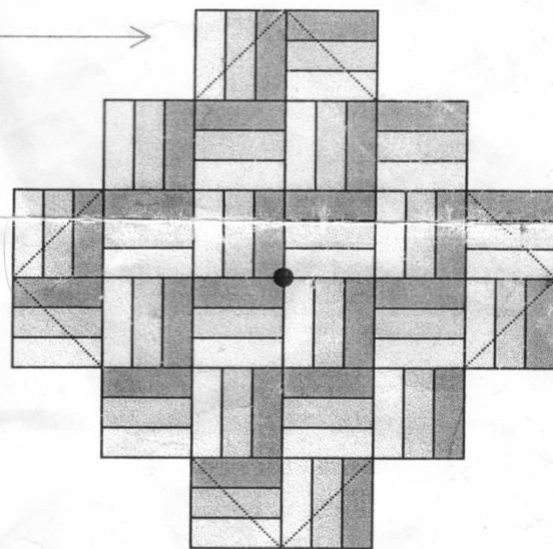
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- (5) Lay out squares as shown. Sew squares together in rows, then sew the rows together – only sew half of the seam between row 3 and 4 as shown. Press seams to one side – apart from the seam between row 3 and 4, this should be pressed open.



- (6) Mark the diagonal sewing lines on the reverse of the tree skirt as shown also mark the circular sewing line in the middle of the tree skirt. (Circle diameter 1 1/2").



- (7) Layer your quilt sandwich – start with your wadding, then lay your backing on top of this right side up, on top of this lay your pieced top wrong side up. Hold together with some pins or safety pins. Sew along the outside/marked lines leaving a gap to allow for turning.

- (8) Trim away excess fabric and clip corners, then turn quilt right sides out. Ladder stitch gap. Tack or safety pin tree skirt to hold layers together and quilt as desired. Sew on ribbon ties in pairs.