

Modern Little Mug-Rugs

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These little mug-rugs are perfect for quick gifts for yourself or a dear friend. The stacked triangles are foundation paper pieced, so getting sharp and perfect points are easy.

Note: When you print the paper templates below, measure it before you sew to make sure that your printer printed it to actual size. The solid lines are the actual border of the block and it should measure exactly 1" x 5". The dotted line represents the quarter-inch seam allowance.

Fabric and Notions for 4 Mug-Rugs:

Michael Miller Cotton Couture Fabric

- 1/4 yard of the Herb fabric for background
- 1/4 yard of the Love fabric for triangle and binding
- 1/8 yard of the Acid fabric for triangle
- 1/8 yard of the Straw fabric for triangle
- 1/8 yard of the Primrose fabric for triangle
- 1/8 yard of the Mauve fabric for triangle
- 4 thin cotton batting pieces measuring approximately 10" x 10"
- 4 pieces of backing fabric measuring approximately 10" x 10"
- Neutral thread for piecing
- Matching thread for free-motion quilting

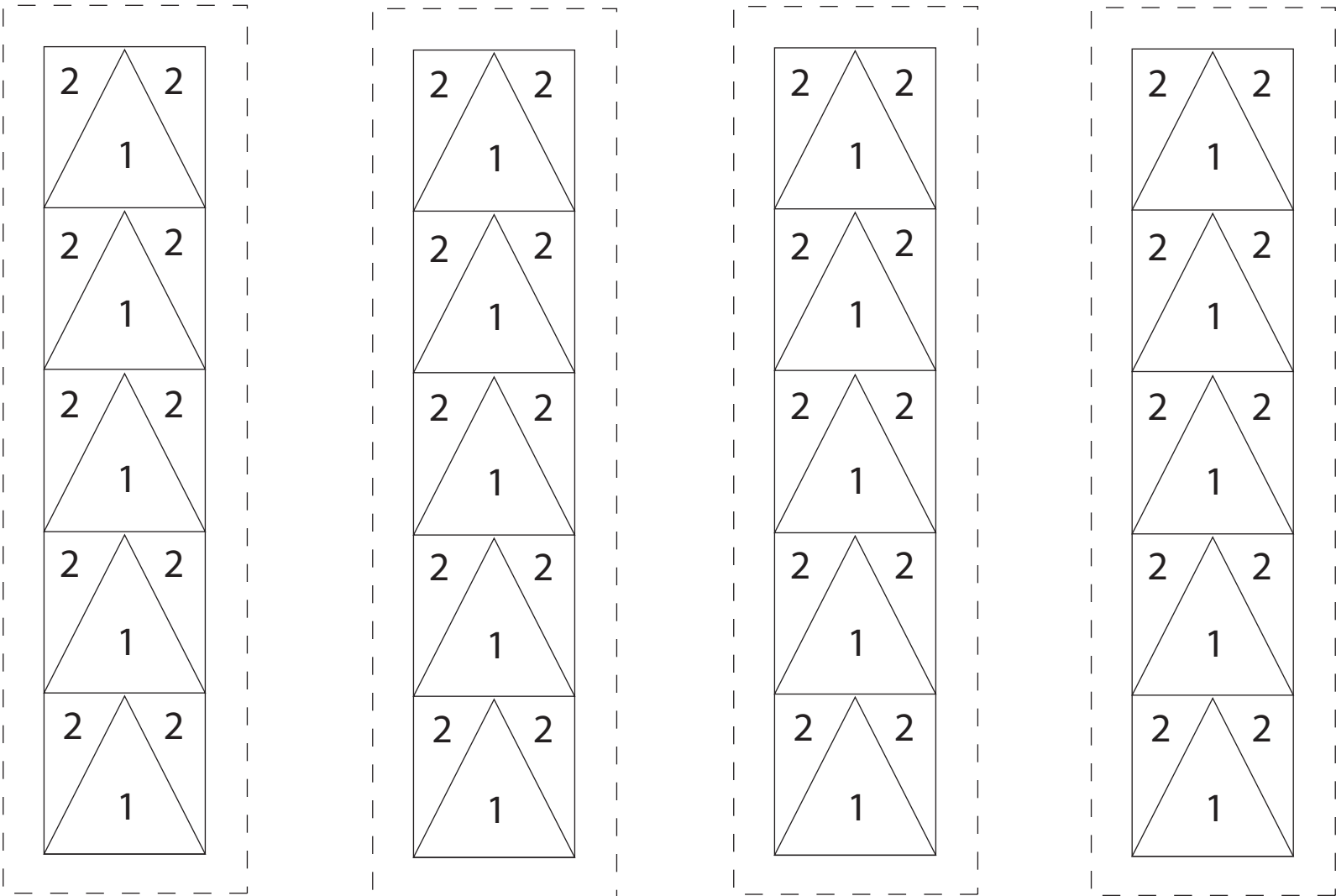


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Piecing Directions:

1. To get started, print the PDF with the paper templates. Cut them out of the paper so that you have a bit of space around the dotted line. You will trim it down to the dotted line after the triangle-stack has been pieced.
2. Cut **four** 2" x 2" squares for each of the 5 triangles (#1 on the foundation template).
3. Cut **forty** 1 1/2" x 2" pieces of your background fabric for foundation paper piecing (#2 on the foundation template).
4. Paper-piece 4 triangle-stack blocks, one for each mug-rug. Set your Janome to a 1/2 straight stitch. This ensures that the paper will be perforated enough to tear away when each mug-rug top is assembled.
5. Trim your blocks to size along the stippled seam-allowance line.
6. Cut **eight** pieces 1 1/2" x 1 1/4" of the background color and piece them to the top and bottom of each triangle block. (**A** on the layout diagram below.)
7. Cut **four** strips 1 1/4" x 7" and piece them to the right side of the triangle stacks. (**B** on the layout diagram below.)
8. Cut **four** pieces 5 1/4" x 7" and piece these to the right side of the triangle stacks. (**C** on the diagram below.)
9. Remove the foundation paper on the back of your blocks.
10. Use basting spray to layer your quilt-sandwich and quilt with your favorite technique and pattern. I used the darning foot on my Janome and quilted simple free-motion fillers.
11. From your binding fabric, cut **four** strips 2 1/4" wide the width of the fabric. Piece these together and press in half length-wise to make one continuous double-fold binding strip. Bind each mug-rug with a 1/4" binding on your machine and hand sew it on the back

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