

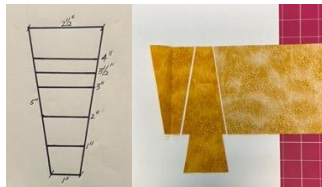
SEPTEMBER 2022 BOM – Dresden Flower Power

DUE DATE: OCTOBER MEETING

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

1pc. 18”x 18” background fabric - 1pc. 32-33” x 3 ½” strip of fabric for the sunflower
6” x 6” brown square for the center of the sunflower - 7” x 1 ½” strip of dark green for the stem
2 charm squares in another green for the leaves

With your Dresden ruler, cut your 33” strip into 26 blades, at the 3 ½” marker, cut 26 blades
You will be flipping the ruler to get the maximum number of blades out of your strip of fabric.



If you do not have a Dresden ruler, make a template per photo, in cardboard.
When you have all 26 blades cut, fold them in half vertically and finger press. Sew the wide part of the blade together. Make sure to set the stitches on both sides of the blade so they do not unravel when they are handled. Turn the blades inside out and iron



Take two of the blades and sew together, carefully matching the sides so the top triangles will be even. Continue to do this in pairs and then attach them all to form a circle. You should have a circle around 11” wide. You will be using a ¼” seam allowance for all the sewing.

Make sure to iron these blades after each step so they lay flat and are easy to handle.

Cut a 5” circle from another piece of cardboard. Place on the center piece of fabric and draw around this template adding ¼” seam allowance and cut out.

Baste around this circle, place the cardboard circle on the fabric circle and tighten your basting so that the raw edge is on the back of the circle. Iron. Gently remove the cardboard circle and iron again to make sure the circle holds. You can also simply cut out a circle, 4 ½” prepared with fusing and fuse it to the middle.

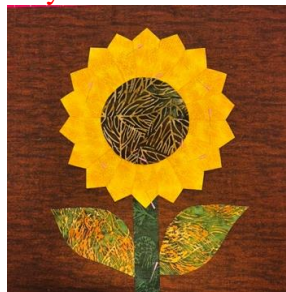
Take the 2” piece of fabric for the stem and fold in raw edges to create a 7” x 1/12” piece. Iron.

Cut 2 leaf shapes from your charm squares. These should be approximately 7” x 5”.

When all the pieces are done, assemble the block in this order. Center the Dresden plate on the background fabric, slightly higher to accommodate the leaf and stem below. Place center and pin to background fabric. Tuck stem under the flower and pin. Place the 2 leaf shapes on either side of the stem and pin. Quilt as Desired.

Make two blocks; one to donate to NaLima.

Look for more creative ways to use the Dresden plate on our website.



CREATIVE WAYS OF USING THE DRESDEN BLADES

CORNER STONE

What you will need:

One piece of backing fabric 12" x 12" - 4 pieces of border fabric 6" x 12"

4 pieces border fabric 6" x 6" - 20 blades 4 1/2" using measurement.

1 each 10 1/2" circle for the center cut into quarters.

1 each 12" circle, cut into quarters for the back of the assembled blades.

Sew two of the 6" border pieces to the left and right side of 12"x 12" block.

Cut your blades at the 4 1/2" measurement and prepare the blades per instructions in the Sunflower project. Attach 5 blades together to make 4 sets with 5 blades.

Use 1 each of the quarter squares and attach to each set of blades.

Pin these to the 6"x 6" squares. Turn them over and cut the square in a circular fashion, making sure the fabric will cover the unfinished parts of the corner stone. Turn under and baste. Attach 2 of these finished corners to each 6" x 12" border fabric. Then attach these to the main block.



September BOM (Dresden Plate Sunflower)

October meeting.