

Christmas Tree

10 ½ x 10 ½ inch square

Due November 2011 MPS Meeting

Cutting Chart:

Tree Branches, Green

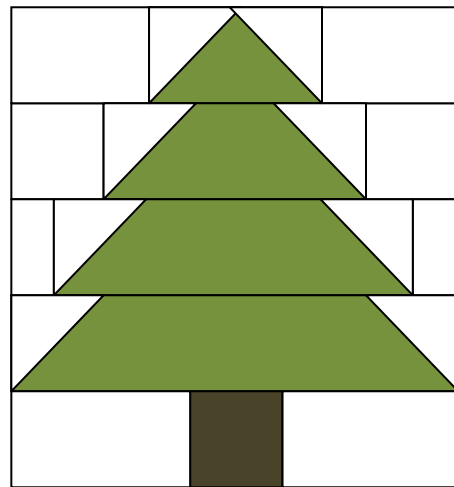
- One 2 ½" x 4 ½" strip
- One 2 ½" x 6 ½" strip
- One 2 ½" x 8 ½" strip
- One 2 ½" x 10 ½" strip

Tree Trunk, Brown

- One 2 ½" x 2 ½" square

Background, Neutral

- Ten 2 ½" x 2 ½" squares
- Two 2 ½" x 3 ½" strips
- Two 1 ½" x 2 ½" strips
- Two 2 ½" x 4 ½" strips



Making the Christmas Tree Boughs:

1. Mark a line from one corner to the opposite corner on the reverse side of 8 2 ½" squares.
2. Align a square on each end of the tree strips, making sure the drawn line is in the right position. Sew along the line. Trim excess and press.

Instructions:

1. Arrange the Christmas tree components as shown.
2. Arrange the background strips as follows:
 - 2 ½" x 3 ½" background strip to each side of the shortest tree unit
 - 2 ½" x 2 ½" background square to each side of the 6 ½" long tree strip unit
 - 1 ½" x 2 1/2 " background strip to each side of the 8 ½" long strip unit; the 2 1/2 " edge will be sewn to the tree
 - The 10 ½" long tree strip unit is complete as is.
3. Place a 2 ½" x 4 ½" background strip on each side of the 2 ½" brown square.
4. Sew the components of each Christmas tree row together. Press seam allowances in tree branch units towards the background strips. Press seam allowances in the trunk unit towards the brown trunk.
5. Sew all five Christmas Tree quilt block rows together, aligning strips carefully.