

Crazy Quilting Lessons / Challenge 2008

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Lesson 9 - Prairie Points

Photos of steps to create prairie points by Mttlr.

Photos of completed prairie points courtesy of Sharon Boggon and Annie Whitsed

Using Prairie Points in Crazy Quilting

Supplies:

One or two colors of fabric, an iron, small beads, buttons, lace, or fiber

Prairie points are folded triangles that you can use to decorate a quilt. You may want to use it to finish a quilt's outer edges or add it to the seams when piecing a crazy quilt.

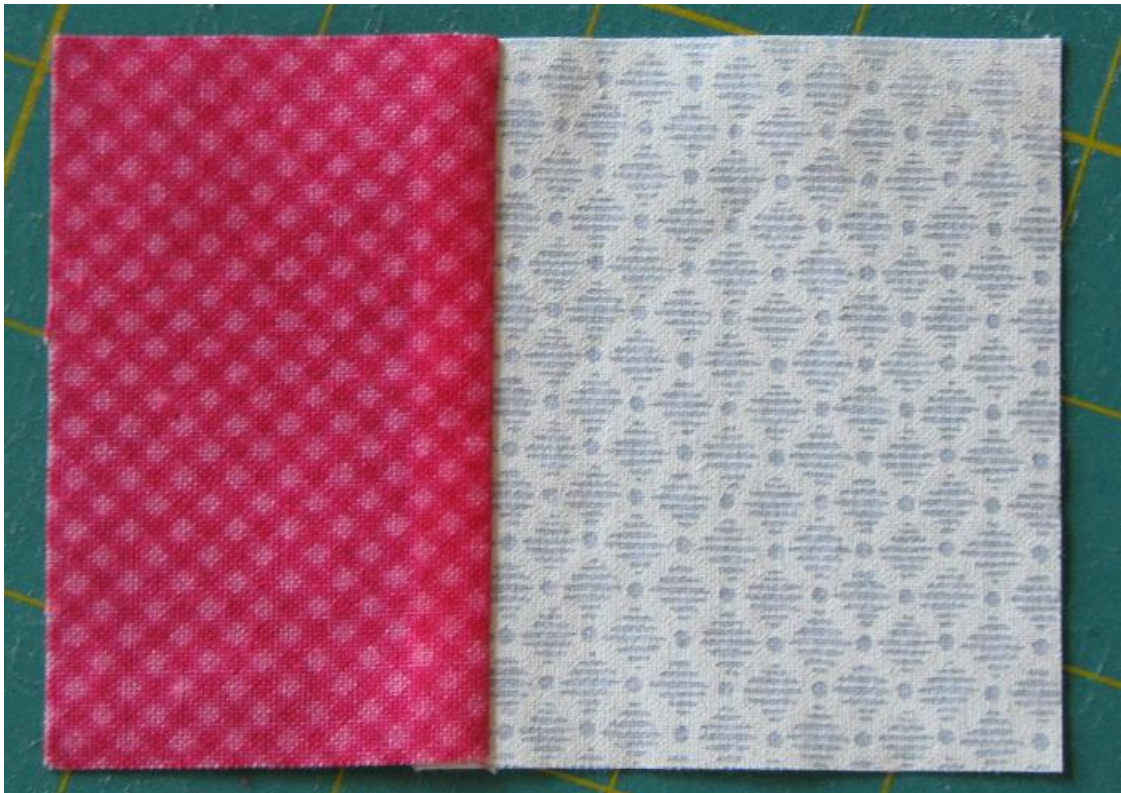
Use the following guide to help figure out the size square you will need to cut for each prairie point. Determine an appropriate height of the prairie point triangle (how far you would like the points to extend out from the edge of a quilt or seam). Multiply the height of the finished point by 2, then add 1/2". For example, if you want your points to extend two inches beyond the edge of the quilt or seam (the width across the bottom would be 4"), multiply $2'' \times 2'' + 1/2'' = 4\ 1/2''$. Cut the square for a two inch prairie point $4\ 1/2'' \times 4\ 1/2''$.

Prairie Point with Open Folds at Center - One Color

1. Fold a square in half lengthwise, wrong sides together. Press
2. With fold on top, fold the left edge down (meeting in the center) and then the right edge down to create a triangle with an open fold at its center.
3. Press lightly to keep the folds in place.
4. Sew in seam allowance with the opening to the front.

Prairie Point with Open Folds at Center – Two Colors

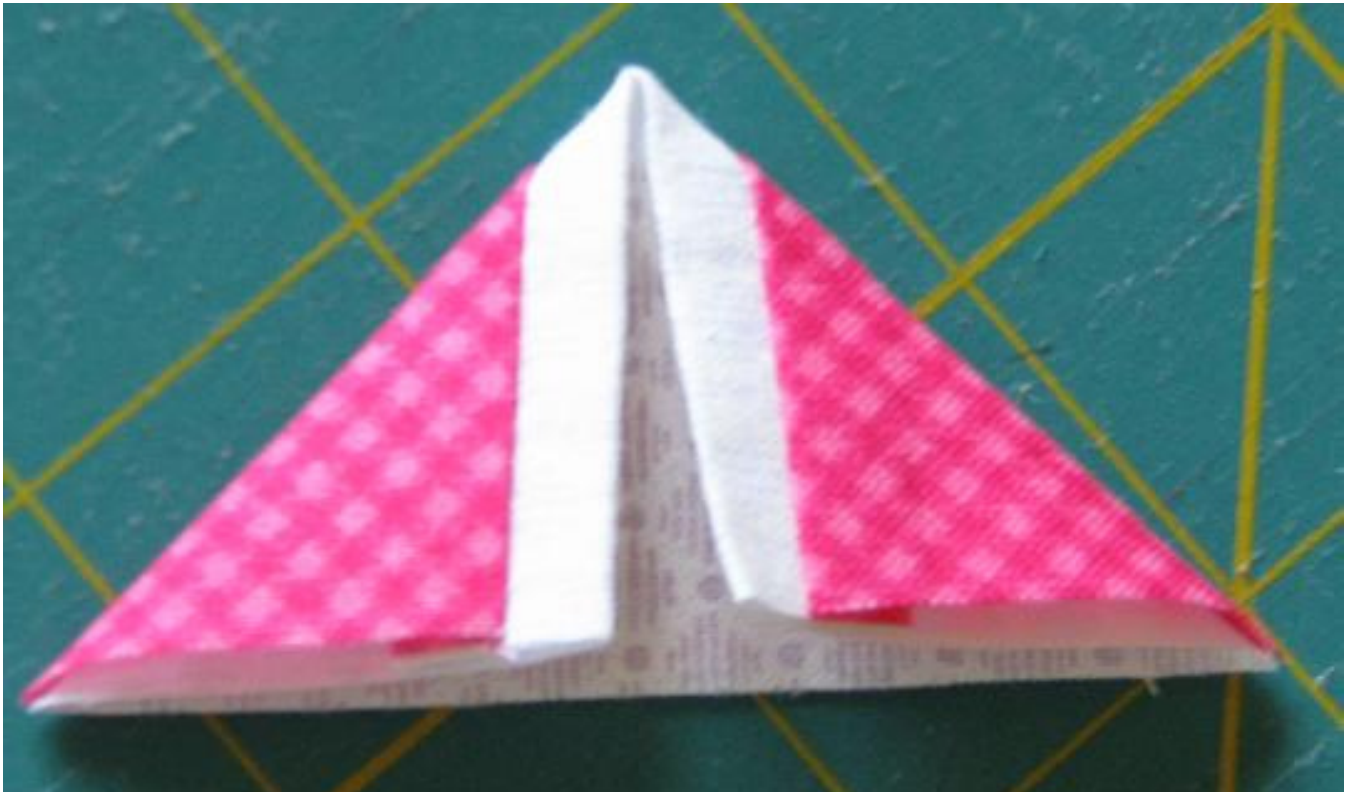
Stitch 2 pieces of fabric together, one larger than the other. The larger piece will be the trim along the folded edge down the middle of triangle. Press seam. See picture below.



Fold leaving an edge exposed. The example below has 1/8" edge. At this point if you had cut your squares bigger you can cut it down to the size you want. Press.



Place the square in front of you with the larger piece on top and fold down both corners. Press to hold in place.



Now position it in your seam allowance when piecing your crazy quilt project. Make sure if you are using the flip and sew or paper piece method that you have it positioned so that the triangle opening will be on top.

If you already have a block prepared, gently open the seam, insert prairie point, and hand stitch shut or attach lace or trim over seam.

Example's provided next page



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