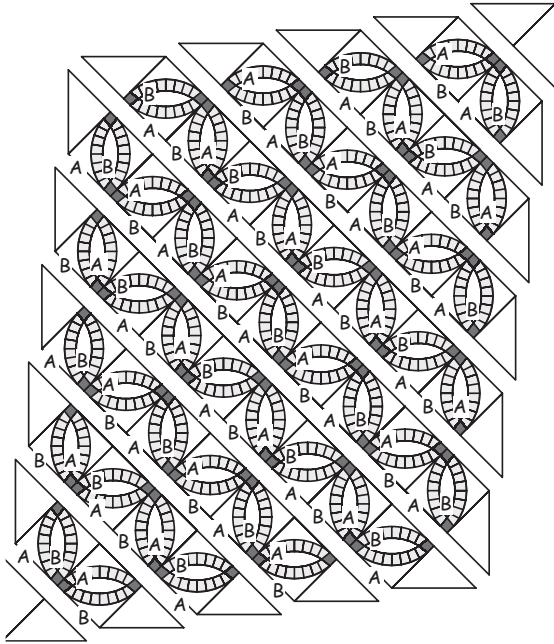


## 7b. Sewing the Rows Together

The blocks are sewn together to in diagonal rows. Press the seams on each row in opposing directions, then join the rows to complete the center of the quilt. Before you press the remaining seams, pick back a few stitches at each intersection where the seams meet. This is done to open and relax the seams, allowing you to press the seams in opposing directions.

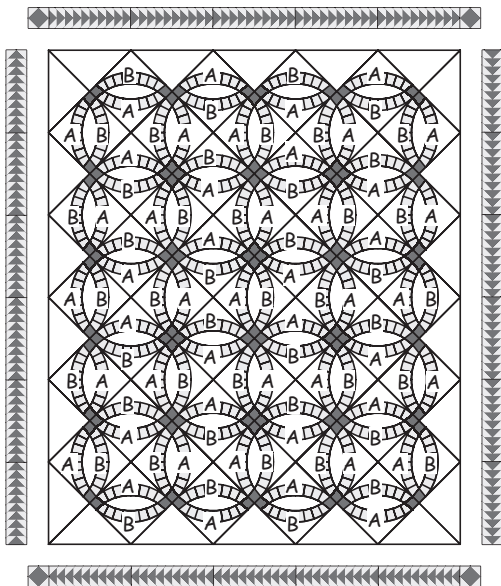


## 8. Sewing on the Flying Geese Border

Remove the foundation papers from the flying geese units and sew the units together to complete (4) border strips. (6) sections are sewn together to complete the side borders. (5) sections are sewn together for the top and bottom, then the corner stones are added to the ends to complete the borders.

If the flying geese strips appear to be shorter than the quilt, either adjust the length of the quilt by trimming a small amount off the edges, or adjust the strip length by picking out a couple seams and re-sew them using a scant 1/4" seam allowance.

To join the borders with the quilt, first sew the side borders on, then add the top and bottom. Press the seams towards the center of the quilt.



## 9. Sewing on the Mitered Borders

The easiest and most accurate way to miter the border corners is to pre-cut the border strips, then cut the mitered ends before sewing the borders onto the quilt.

**Step 1:** Stack all (4) border strips *right-sides-up*. (These strips were cut and set aside earlier). Match the ends and cut a 45° angle off one end of each strip. Follow the measuring instructions below to find the exact size for the top and bottom borders before cutting the 45° angles off the opposite end of each strip.

*Note: I have given you the actual calculated measurements for the mitered border strips on the following page. However, you should measure your own quilt before any final cuts are made. The actual sizes on all quilts will vary depending on the actual width of your seam allowances throughout your quilt.*

**Step 2:** Measure the width and length of the quilt top through the center of the quilt. Write down these measurements.

Quilt width: \_\_\_\_\_. Quilt length: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Step 3:** Subtract 1/2" from the width and length to get the finished sized measurements for your quilt.

Finished Size Width = \_\_\_\_\_.  
Finished Size Length = \_\_\_\_\_.

**Step 4:** Lay the top and bottom border strips across the center of the quilt. Match the quarter-inch intersecting points up with the finished size measurement along the edge of the quilt. Place a pin at this point and pin the two border pieces to the quilt top.

**Step 5:** Find the quarter-inch intersecting point on the other end of the border and place a pin at this point.

**Step 6:** Lay the 45° line on your ruler along the inside edge of the border fabric. Line up the edge of the ruler with the intersecting point and draw a line along the edge of the ruler. Do not cut on this line. This line represents the finish size of the mitered border.

**Step 7:** To add the seam allowance, slide the ruler over 1/4" past the line and cut a 45° angle along the edge of the ruler. Repeat the following steps for each border strip.

