

quilting — patchwork

Piecing smaller pieces of fabric together to create a larger whole for the quilting process.

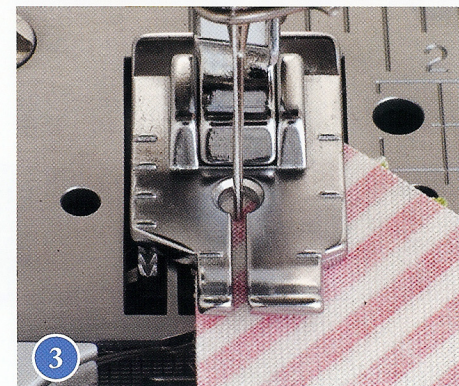
1. Traditional piecing requires a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance when sewing pieces together. With right sides together, place the edges against the bar on the $\frac{1}{4}$ " quilting or piecing foot. The distance from the center needle and the bar is $\frac{1}{4}$ ". (#1)



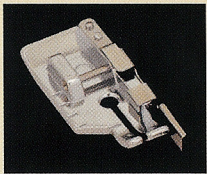
2. Continue to piece all the squares together. Press the seams toward the darker fabric. When crossing seams, place one seam in one direction and the other in the opposite. When opened and pressed the intersection will have little bulk. (#2)



3. For mini-piecing, use the left toe as your guide. The distance from the center needle and the edge of the foot is $\frac{1}{8}$ ". (#3)



4. Piece your squares in the same manner as you would for $\frac{1}{4}$ " piecing. Press the seams toward the darker fabric if possible. (#4)



$\frac{1}{4}$ " Quilting or Piecing Foot with or without guide



Stitch: Straight

Width: Pre-set

Length: Pre-set

Tension: Pre-set

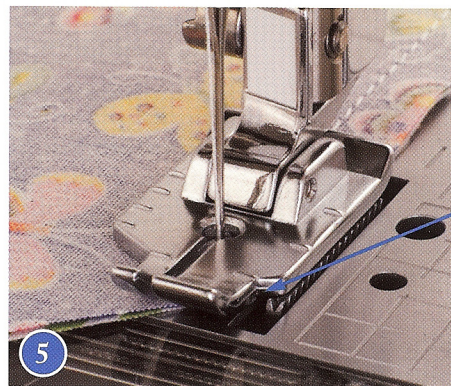
Fabric, needles, notions required:

Cotton solids and prints; universal, size 80/12 or quilting needle, size, 75/11 ; machine quilting or all-purpose sewing thread for the needle and bobbin

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5. When piecing points, use the markings on the presser foot to help you start and stop accurately. For a triangular piece, sew to the point where the last mark on the foot is lined up with the edge of the fabric. Review the information found on page 26 regarding the markings on the 1/4" quilting or piecing foot. (#5)



6. Match the edges and points. Lower your needle in the spot of intersection of the seams and begin to sew the new seam. (#6)



FOOT FACTS

Use all the marks on the 1/4" quilting and piecing foot to assist you when piecing more difficult patterns. The marks will help you start and stop at the exact spot, turn corners or sew angles.

TIP

There are many methods for piecing quilt blocks. There is not one technique that works for all patterns so learn how to use the 1/4" quilting and piecing foot and see how it can help you with the different methods.