



Border of the Month ~ June 2021

PRAIRIE POINTS

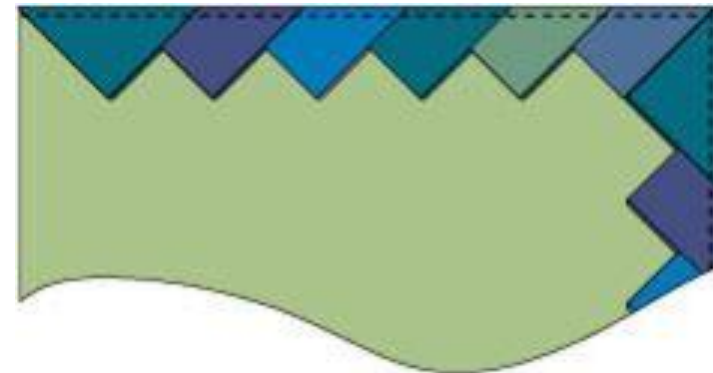
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Prairie Points. UGH! Scary, right?

Yes, they can be a bit overwhelming but once you have tried a few, you will realize that the points are created by just repeating the same simple steps over and over again to create the length you need.

The skill set is more about precision pressing and attaching each point to the next.

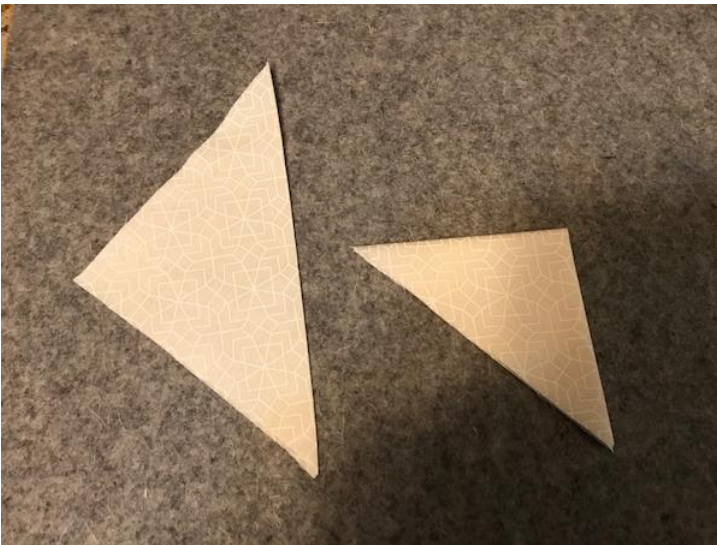
Overwhelmed? Just do a small project to start, such as a wall hanging or a pillow case.



The Basic Prairie Point

Start with precut squares. A 5 inch charm pack works well but you can certainly use whatever size works for your project and a great use for scraps, perhaps from the project you are bordering.

In my sample below, I started with 5 inch squares. Using a hot iron press them in half once on the diagonal, and then fold and press again



Then we join the points by inserting them into the fold from the previous point. Make sure all the folded sides are running in the same direction. Your spacing should overlap just enough so that when you sew them together with the binding strip, they are equal distance.

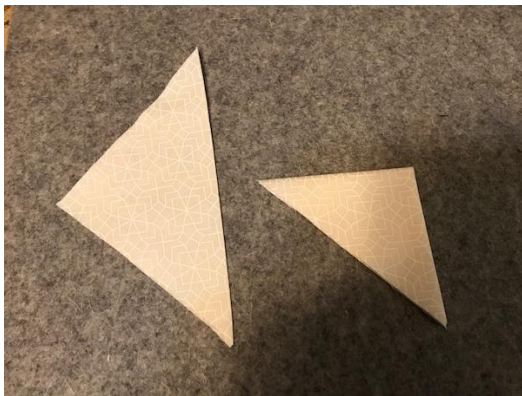


Steam Iron – Yes or No ? I prefer without as I do not want my fabric to stretch. Personal preference I think.

Two or More Colours

You can also mix up the colours by creating prairie points in various contrasting colours, or two colours as seen below.

I started with the same 5 inch squares as on the previous page.



Then I created some two coloured squares by sewing together two 5 x 2.75 inch strips.

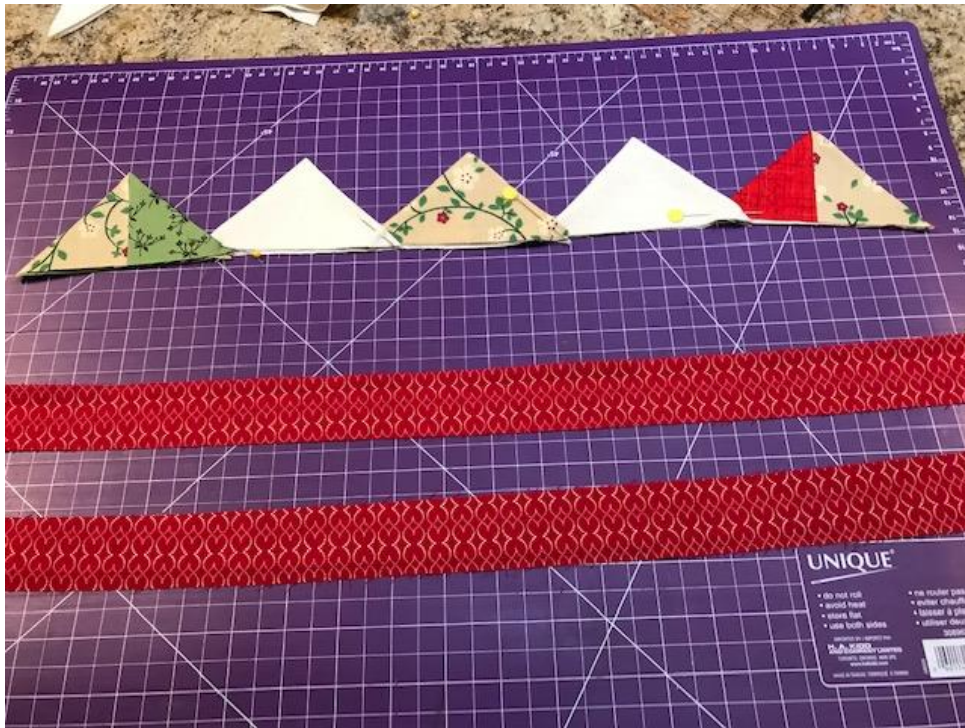


Look at my results



Joining the Points

The final step is to join the points. Some people prefer to join them with a binding strip to keep everything straight. Since this is the first time I have made Prairie Points, I chose to do this (to avoid an evening with Jack). I also used lots of pins. More experienced



Lots of Options

There are lots of quilters far more qualified than me to show you all about prairie points. There are hundreds of videos and examples on You Tube and Pinterest. Here are a few suggestions that I found helpful.

http://fonsandporter.com/sew_easy_les...

Jodie Davis shows you how to make prairie points which are especially attractive on quilts with patchwork triangles or on simple quilts or table runners that need perking up.

Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8KoX9t1rG1k>

To see Funky Chick, a quilt that features prairie points, visit <https://www.shopfonsandporter.com/pro...> For more information, visit FonsandPorter.com



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<https://www.pinterest.ca/anna3190/prairie-points/>

Lots of Options (continued)

See the email below that Millie received and visit the APQS website to view their video.

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