

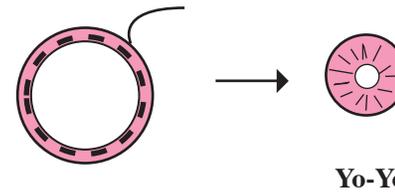
3-D Folded Hexagon©

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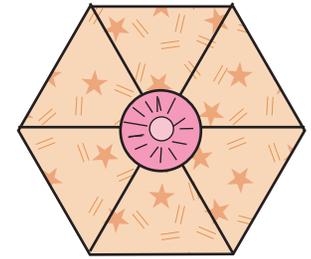
A 3-D Hexagon Flower involves no sewing, except for a final stitch to secure the center. It is a whimsical addition to a quilt, giving it not only a folksy flavor, but one of dimension and texture. A small yo-yo in the center enhances the quaint appeal, and we know you'll just have plain fun creating these flowers.

Begin by cutting paper hexagons using Template A. By practicing on a paper sample, marking the folding lines and labeling the six corners, you will discover how easy this method is to use with fabric.

1. Place the paper hexagon on table as shown, straight sides top and bottom. Number each of the six corners with a pencil or pen, beginning with #1 at the top left and proceeding counterclockwise through #6 (Diagram 1)
2. Draw a line from point #1 to point #3. This is Line A. Draw a line from point #6 to point #4. This is Line B. See Diagram 1.
3. Fold Point #2 into the center of the hexagon along Line A. Make a crease (see Diagram 2).
4. Fold Point #5 into the center along Line B. Make a crease (see Diagram 3).
5. Turn your work about 30 degrees to the right so that Point #1 is at the top as shown in Diagram 4. This will help you visualize the formation of the diamond shape in Step 5 below.
6. Fold Point #3 up to meet the center and Point #6 down to meet the center (where points #2 and 5 are). The dashed lines in Diagram 3 show where the folds will occur. Make a crease. Make a crease along each fold. Now your hexagon is a 60 degree diamond.
7. Now you're ready for the last two folds. Fold Point #1 down to the center and Point #4 up to the center. The dashed lines on your diamond show where the folds will occur (Diagram 5). Now your 3-D Hexagon Flower is complete!
8. Secure your folds with a pin to hold them in place until ready to add a finished yo-yo or button or other embellishment.
9. When working with fabric hexagons, always place the wrong side of the fabric up. When the folds occur, the right side of the fabric will come around to the front/top.
10. The finished size of your 3-D hexagons will be approximately half the size of the original cut hexagon. Experiment with various templates and hexagon tools.



Yo-Yo



3-D Hexagon Flower

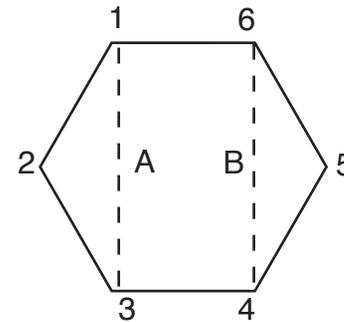


Diagram 1

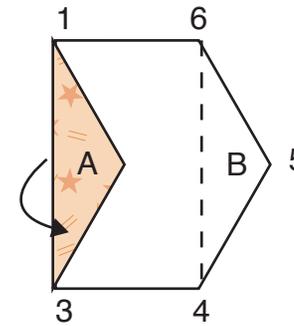


Diagram 2

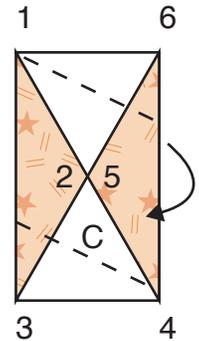


Diagram 3

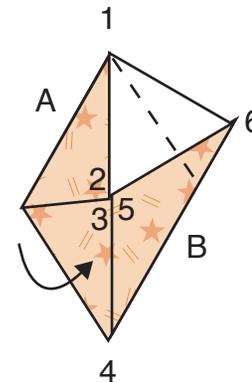


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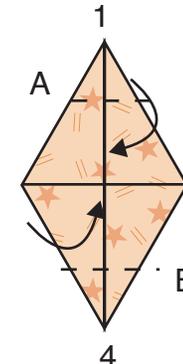
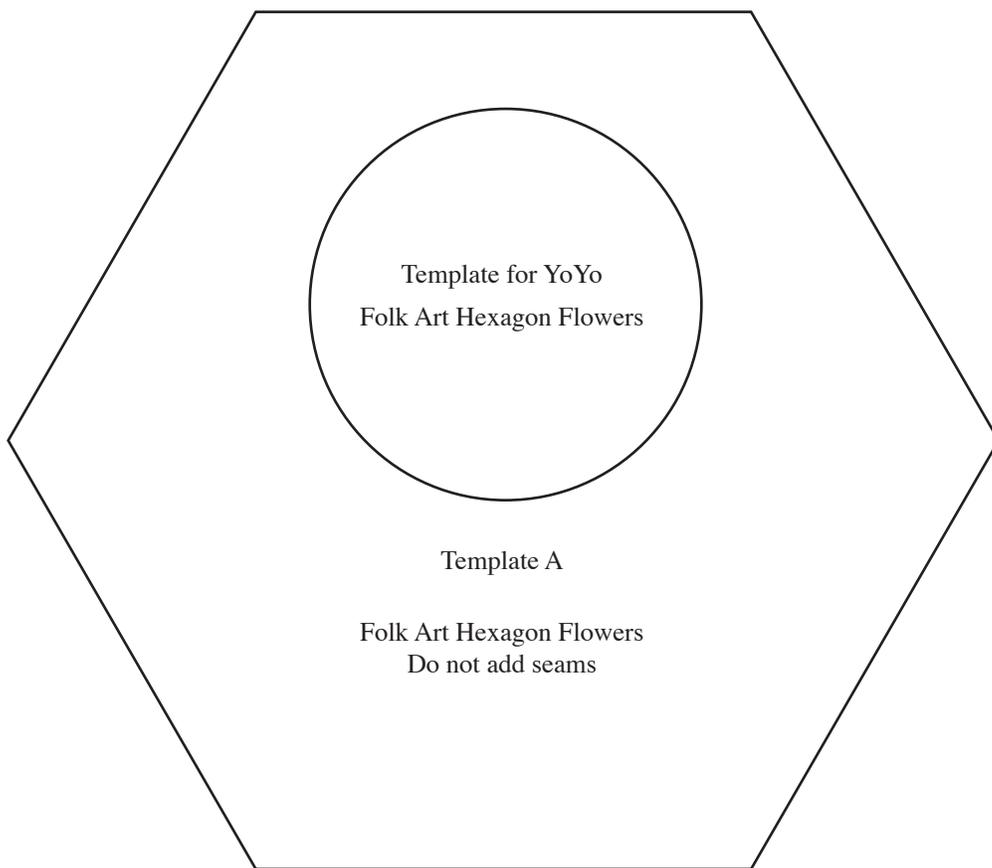


Diagram 5



Diagram 6

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