Falling Leaves

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September Block-of-the-Month due October 2015

Makes a 101/2" unfinished block. Each block has 4 leaf units. Use batiks.

For each block you will need:

4 – different 6" squares <u>dark</u> batiks (background)

4 - different 6" squares light or medium light batiks (leaves)

1. Make half-square triangles (HST's): Lay each dark square right sides together with another dark square. On the wrong side of one square, mark a diagonal line. Stitch 1/4" seam on either side of the line. Cut on marked line and open each unit. Press seams open. Do the same with the light squares.

2. Make leaf template. Using pattern provided, trace 4 leaf pieces onto paper side of Steam-a-Seam 2, Heat-n-Bond Lite, or other light-weight fusible webbing/iron-on adhesive of your choice. Be sure and mark leaf's center line. Roughly cut out the leaf pattern, leaving at least ½" of paper around marked line.

3. Following manufacturer's directions, <u>fuse</u> the leaf pattern onto the <u>WRONG</u> <u>SIDE</u> of the <u>light</u> HST's, aligning the marked center line along the seam line. Cut out each leaf along the outside cutting lines.

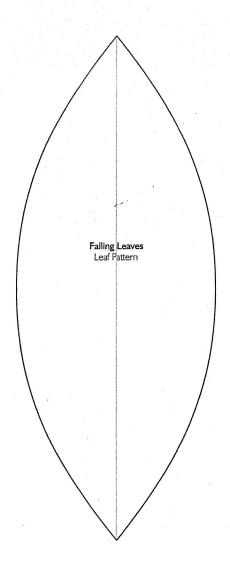
4. Peal off paper from fused leaf, and place it, <u>wrong side (sticky side) down</u> onto <u>right side</u> of dark HST unit, aligning diagonal lines. Fuse leaf to dark unit, again following manufacturer's directions.

5. <u>Finish raw edges</u> of the leaf with a blanket stitch, satin stitch, zig zag or your favorite method, using a neutral colored thread that blends with the leaves.

6. Press each leaf unit flat, and trim to 5½ " square. Sew four leaf units together with the leaves radiating out from the center.

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This box should measure 1".

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