

# LONDON PARKS COLLECTION Landmarks EPP Cushion Pattern

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**CUSHION PROJECT** 



## FINISHED QUILT SIZE 20" X 20" SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

This pattern is suited for someone who has English paper piecing experience

This pattern requires an intermediate knowledge of quilting techniques and terminology. The quilt and block diagrams portrayed are virtual images. The layout and look of your project may differ when using actual fabric.

#### **EQUIPMENT NEEDED**

#### **English Paper Pieced Centre Star Panel**

#### **EPP Papers**

- 42 x 1½" Diamond 60°
- 144 x ¾" Diamond 60°
- 12 x (3" x 4½" x 1½") Trapezoids 60°

Acrylic Templates with %" seam allowance **or** Template Plastic to make your own

#### **Sewing Supplies**

Sewing machine with 1/4" foot and a zipper foot (if doing optional piping)

Hand sewing needles - size 10 applique *or* milliners straws

Cotton thread - 50 wt or finer

Fabric glue pen

Straight pins, scissors, fabric marking pen / pencil, fabric clips, thread conditioner

Rotary cutting equipment - mat, ruler, cutter

#### **Supplies Required**

Cushion Pad - 50cm x 50cm

Cotton Wadding / Batting - 60cm x 60cm

Calico / Lining for front panel - 60cm x 60cm

Piping Cord (Optional)\*

- 2.5m x 4mm
- 2.5m x 6mm

#### **FABRIC REQUIREMENTS**

1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	Coronation Gardens A	01666858 A	Star1
1 x Half Metre (20"x 44")	Park Pals A	01666851 A	Stars 2 / 4 / 5 & 7
55cm x 110cm WOF (22 " x 44")	Summer in the City A	01666860 A	Stars 3 & 6 Cushion Front Panel **
1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	City Sights A	01666854 A	A & B Blocks
1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	Dulwich Daisy A	01666856 A	A & B blocks
1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	Tulip Triumph A	01666852 A	C Block
1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	Kite Flight A	01666855 A	D Block
1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	Primrose Hill A	01666863 A	C & D Blocks
1 x Fat Quarter (20"x 22")	Battersea Botanical A	01666859 A	E Blocks
55cm x 110cm WOF (22 " x 44")	Emily Belle CATERPILLAR	01666440	Cushion Back Panels Cut 2 x 14" x 21" panels
1 x Half Metre (20"x 44")	Regents Border A	01666853 A	Piping Cord A (optional)
1 x Half Metre (20"x 44")	Park Gates A	01666865 A	Piping Cord B (optional)

<sup>\*\*</sup> We recommend cutting the 22" square cushion front panel before cutting EPP shapes for Stars 3 & 6

#### **FUSSY CUTTING LAYOUT INSTRUCTIONS**

The following layouts enable you to fussy cut, select sections of the fabric to create the English paper pieced stars using diamond templates with 36" seam allowance.

The centre part of the star is marked with



Take extra care to cut all six diamonds the same, remembering to mark points on the back of the fabric for accurate piecing. For best results, press fabric before marking shapes and cutting.

When joining two fabric pieces together always use the following method unless indicated otherwise.

Centre Star 1:

Cut 6 x 11/2" diamonds



Centre Star 2: Cut 6 x 11/2" diamonds







Centre Star 3:

Cut 3 x 1 1/2" diamonds on Right

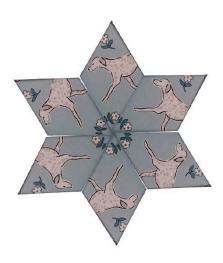
Cut 3 x 1 1/2" diamonds on Left



Centre Star 4: Cut 6 x 1½" diamonds







Centre Star 5:

#### Cut 6 x 1 1/2"diamonds



Centre Star 6: Cut 6 x 1½" diamonds



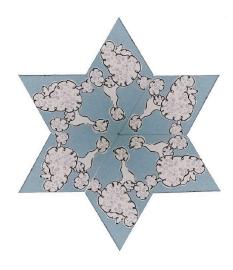




#### Centre Star 7:

#### Cut 6 x 1 1/2"diamonds





Star Block A:

Inner Star Diamonds Cut 18 x 3/4" Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block Outer Diamonds Cut 18 x 3/4"







#### Star Block B:

Inner Star Diamonds Cut 18 x 3/4"
Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block

Outer Diamonds Cut 18 x 3/4"
Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block







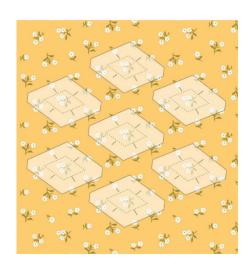
Star Block C:

Inner Star Diamonds - Cut 18 x  $^3\!4$ " Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block Outer Diamonds - Cut 18 x  $^3\!4$ "

Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block



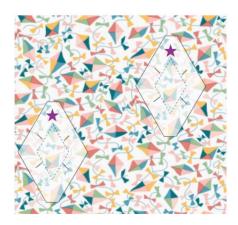




#### Star Block D:

Inner Star Diamonds - Cut 18 x 3/4" Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block

Outer Diamonds - Cut 18 x 3/4" Diamonds 3 blocks required / 6 diamonds per block







Edge Border E:

Cut 12 x (3"x 41/2" x 11/2") Trapezoids



### MAKING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ENGLISH PAPER PIECED FRONT CENTRE PANEL

The stars are created used 60° diamond paper pieces. Layouts for all the stars are provided above to create the designs on the front cover. You get much more accurate results if you use a template. Purchase acrylics or trace the provided template on quilters plastic template This provides a window to select the part of the fabric design you wish to fussy cut.

#### **Cutting Fabric**

Stars 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7 are made using the 11/2"

Diamonds. Star Blocks A, B, C & D are made using the 3/4" Diamonds.

On the wrong side of the fabric, position the 60° diamond template as required and draw around the outer edges: this will be your cutting line. Mark the inside points to enable you to place the paper piece accurately for fussy cutting.

There are also guidelines marked to help with centring designs.

The templates have a 3/8" seam allowance. I find this gives a bit more wiggle room when wrapping over your paper pieces.

Ensure you repeat the same process for each 6 diamonds for each star.



#### Basting fabric around paper pieces

Personally, I prefer the speed and accuracy from glue basting; however, traditional thread basting can be used if preferred.

**Top Tip** - wrap the fabric around your pieces in the same direction to ensure that the centre star lies flat and the pieces will nest together and make it easier for you when sewing together.







#### Stitching paper pieced stars

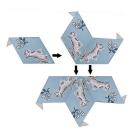
To piece a star, you need to create two halves.

Firstly, sew a pair of diamonds with right side together, paying attention ensuring the centre points meet, using a whip stitch.

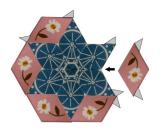
Place your needle in at 90° and this will make sure minimum stitching shows on the right side.

Then add third diamond, ensuring centre points meet.

Repeat for second half of star and sew both halves together ensuring points match in the centre.



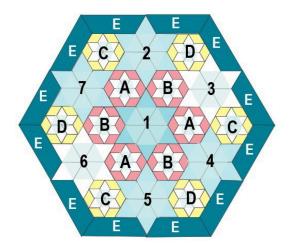
To assemble blocks A, B, C & D you will need to add outer diamonds to stars as illustrated below.



#### Assembly of EPP panel

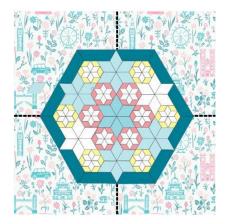
To assemble the panel, layout your stars and blocks as illustrated below. Start with adding A & B blocks around centre star 1. Then add stars 2 / 3 / 4 / 5 / 6 / 7 followed by C & D blocks on the next round. Finally add the border using E shapes.

Once the panel is assembled, press. Remove papers and press panel again.



#### **CUSHION ASSEMBLY**

Fold the 22" square cushion front fabric in quarters and finger press. This will enable you to centre the EPP panel, lining up the points as shown below.



Pin panel in place and then applique stitch on to front panel. This can be done with a blind hem stitch or ladder stitch.

Now you can add quilting to your cushion front. Layer your quilt sandwich by placing your cushion front backing fabric right side down. Then place your cotton wadding down and finally your cushion front.

Baste all layers with quilter's safety pins or your preferred method.

Quilt as desired. Suggestion is to stitch in the ditch around the stars and to echo quilt in 1/4" lines around the EPP panel. Once quilted, trim and square cushion front panel to 21" square.

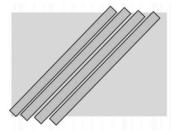
#### Piping Cord (Optional Extra)

As an optional extra this cushion can be finished with piping cord. Double piping cord has been used on the pattern cover. You my wish to use just one or none.

To make fabric covered piping cord, cut 1½" strips on the bias / 45°.

You will need to cut enough strips to make a 2.5m length of cord.

Join strips with wrong side together using a 1/4" seam and press seams open.



#### Piping Cord (Optional Extra) cont.

Fold fabric bias strip around 4mm piping cord for fabric A and 6mm cord for fabric B.

Using a zipper foot, and a long basting stitch, stitch as close to the cord as possible.

Now attach fabric covered piping cord to the right side of the front cushion panel, raw edges together.

Sew a ½" seam using your zipper foot stitching as close as possible to the cord by moving the needle position. Binding clips are useful for holding cord in place.

Clip the flange of the fabric covered piping cord to allow it to sit smoothly around the corners.

To join the start and end, fold under 1/4" of the fabric and butt the ends of the cord up and slide under for a neat finish.

Repeat with Piping cord B sewing as close to A as possible.

#### **Cushion Back Panels**



This features a patchwork strip that is made from  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares that can be cut from any of the fabrics you have used on the front.

Cut 7 x  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of your choice and join in a strip using  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, press seams open. This will make a strip  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $21\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Place the right side of the patchwork fabric strip to the wrong side of the long edge of one of the back panels. Stitch 1/4" seam. Press to the right side(front) of the panel.

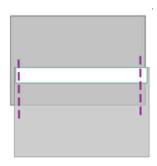
Optional - you can add piping cord detail between these layers.

#### Cushion Back Panels cont.

Press under 1/4" on the other long side of the patchwork strip. Top stitch 1/8" from each edge.

Optional - you can add piping cord detail between these layers.

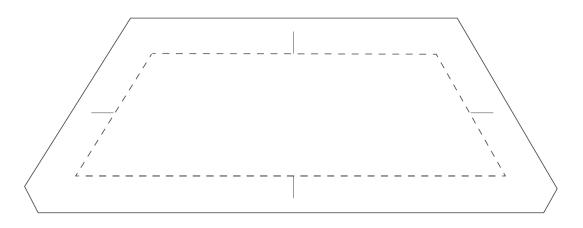
On the other back panel piece, press under 1/4" on one long edge and fold over another 1/2" hem. Top stitch close to the folded edges. To form envelope back, overlap back panels, right side facing up, to form a 21" x 21" square, the same size as the front. The hemmed panel piece should be on the bottom with the patchwork strip on the top. Baste to keep in place as show in the diagram.



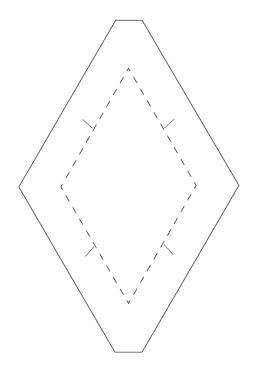
Sew the cushion front and the back together with a ½" seam, right side together. Trim and finish seams as required. Turn right side out. Press and place cushion pad in.

Sit back and enjoy your cushion!

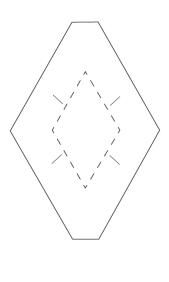
Trapezoid - 3" x 4½" x 1½"



Diamond - 11/2"



Diamond - 3/4"



Box should measure 1"