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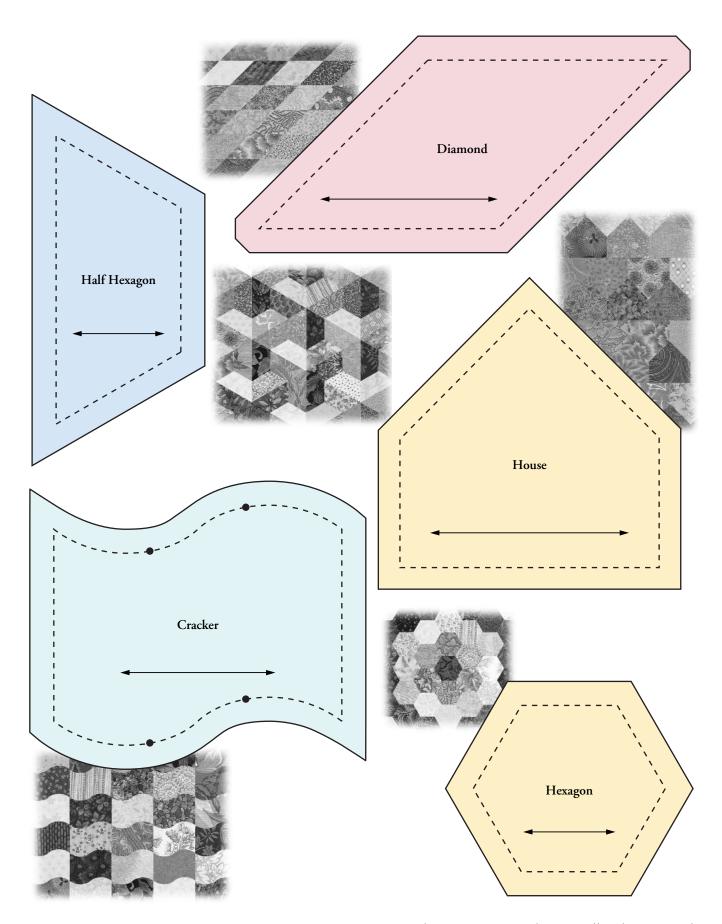
The templates and fabric constructions shown on these pages may inspire you to make your own one-patch quilt. Many of these shapes work best when hand pieced, especially those with curved or set-in seams.

Patches for hand piecing require precisely marked seam lines. Make a template without seam allowances. Place it face down on the wrong side of the fabric, and mark carefully around it with a marking pencil. Cut out the patch, including a 1/4" seam allowance.

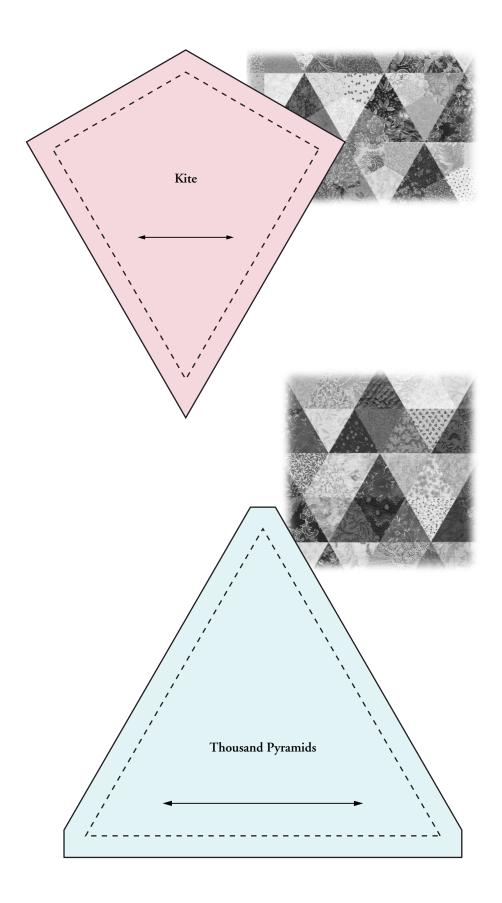
To join two curved patches, hold the inner curved patch with the right side of the fabric up. Place the outer curved patch on top, right sides together. Align the first dot on each patch and pin perpendicular to the edge. Make sure the pin goes through both sewing lines.

With a knotted single thread, begin stitching at the edge of the patches, using a small running stitch and sew to the pin. Remove the pin. Align and pin the next set of dots, and continue stitching from dot to dot until you complete the seam.

For set-in seams, place two patches right sides together, aligning the marked seam lines. Pin to hold in place. Sew the seam through the marked lines with a short running stitch using a single thread. Begin and end each seam at the seam line, not at the edge of the fabric, using two or three backstitches to secure the seam.



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