



# Tiny Farm

Tractor Pillow





## Patch Tractor Pillow

### Terracotta colourway

This pillow can be made to accompany the Patch Tractor Quilt. It uses a warm terracotta colour for the background but the shade is easily changed if you desire. The block is framed by a simple border. There is also a version of the pillow that uses a lupine colour background, with its own instructions (page 9). For quilt instructions see [www.tildasworld.com](http://www.tildasworld.com)

### Materials (Terracotta pillow)

- Fabric 1: ½yd (50cm) – Solid terracotta (120035)
- Fabric 2: 5in (13cm) square – Tiny Farm mist (110011)
- Fabric 3: 7in (18cm) square – Farm Flowers lavender (110012)
- Fabric 4: 7in (18cm) square – Farm Animals blue (110013)
- Fabric 5: 7in (18cm) square – Farm Animals ginger (110014)
- Fabric 6: 7in (18cm) square – Farm Tools grey (110015)
- Fabric 7: 5in (13cm) square – Tiny Farm blueberry (110018)
- Fabric 8: 5in (13cm) square – Farm Berries sand (110020)
- Fabric 9: 9in (23cm) square – Farm Berries blue (110023)
- Fabric 10: 3in (8cm) square – Meadow honey (130083)
- Fabric 11: 5in (13cm) square – Meadow grey (130085)
- Fabric 12: 5in (13cm) square – Meadow teal (130086)
- Fabric 13: ⅓yd (15cm) or fat eighth – Meadow slate (130088)
- Fabric 14: 7in (18cm) square – Meadow blue (130089)
- Fabric 15: 7in (18cm) square – Meadow pine (130092)
- Fabric 16: 3in (8cm) square – Solid dusty rose (120009)
- Fabric 17: 7in (18cm) square – Solid soft teal (120003)
- Lining fabric (optional) 26in x 18in (66cm x 46cm)
- Wadding (batting) 26in x 18in (66cm x 46cm)
- Backing fabric: two pieces each 16in (40.5cm) square – Farm Flowers lavender (110012)
- Binding fabric: ¼yd (25cm) – Meadow lilac (130090)
- Piecing and quilting threads
- Quilter's ruler, rotary cutter and mat
- Pad to fit pillow cover

### Finished Size

23½in x 16in (60cm x 40.5cm)

### General Notes

- Fabric quantities are based on a usable width of 42in (107cm), unless otherwise stated.
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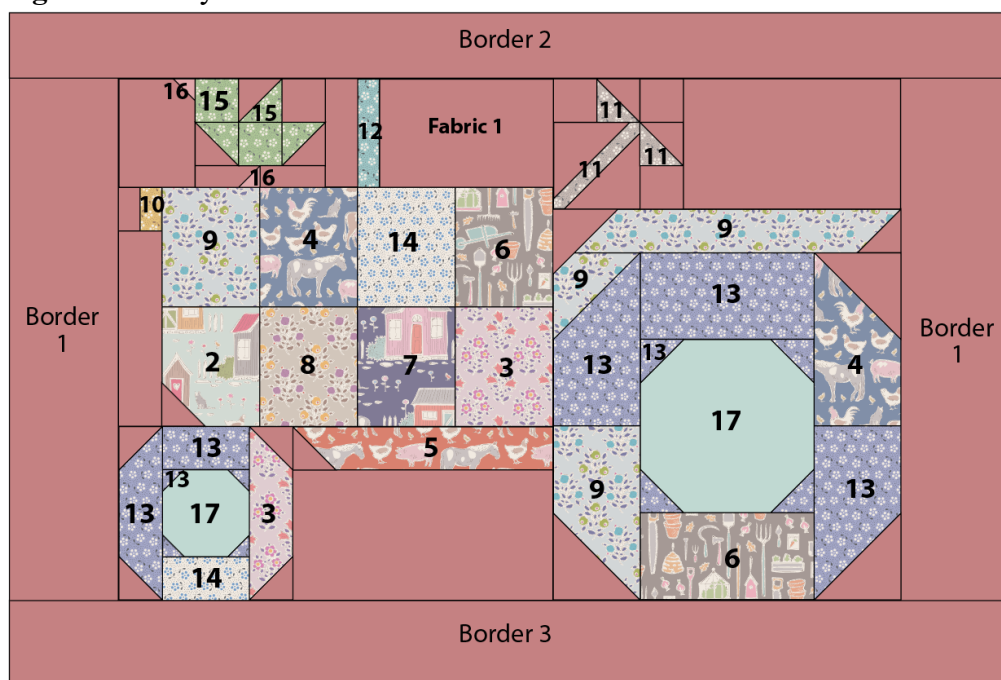
## Pillow Layout

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**Fig A** Fabric swatches (Patch Tractor Pillow – terracotta)



**Fig B** Pillow layout and fabrics used



## Cutting Out

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- Border 3: one strip 23½in x 2½in (59.7cm x 6.4cm).

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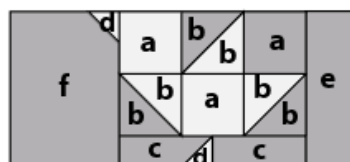
### Fig C Cutting out for the block

Sizes include seam allowances. All pieces to be cut initially as squares or rectangles

#### Bird

- a**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm) square
- b**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (4.8cm) square (for HSTs)
- c** 2in x 1in (5.1cm x 2.5cm)
- d** 1in (2.5cm) square
- e**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in x 3in (3.2cm x 7.6cm)
- f**  $2\frac{1}{4}$ in x 3in (5.7cm x 7.6cm)

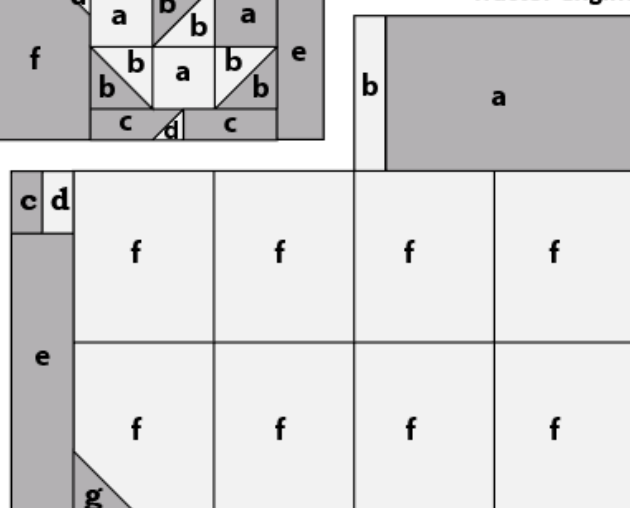
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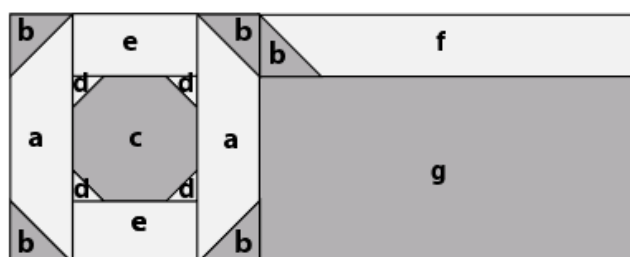
#### Tractor engine

- a**  $4\frac{1}{2}$ in x 3in (11.4cm x 7.6cm)
- b** 1in x 3in (2.5cm x 7.6cm)
- c** 1in x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (2.5cm x 3.8cm)
- d** 1in x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (2.5cm x 3.8cm)
- e**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in x 5in (3.8cm x 12.7cm)
- f**  $2\frac{3}{4}$ in x  $3\frac{3}{4}$ in (7cm x 8.3cm)
- g**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm) square

#### Tractor engine



#### Tractor small wheel



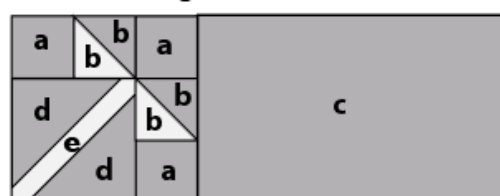
#### Tractor small wheel

- a**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm x 11.4cm)
- b**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm) square
- c**  $2\frac{1}{2}$ in (6.4cm) square
- d** 1in (2.5cm) square
- e**  $2\frac{1}{2}$ in x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (6.4cm x 3.8cm)
- f**  $6\frac{1}{2}$ in x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (16.5cm x 3.2cm)
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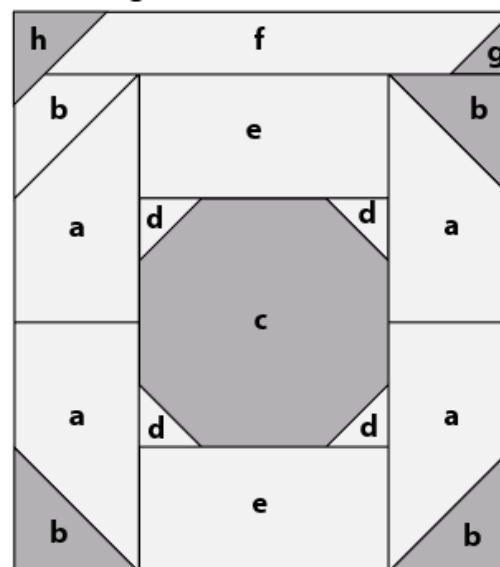
#### Tractor steering wheel

- a**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm) square
- b**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (4.8cm) square (for HSTs)
- c**  $5\frac{1}{2}$ in x  $3\frac{1}{2}$ in (14cm x 9cm)
- d**  $2\frac{5}{8}$ in (6.7cm) square, cut into two triangles
- e** 4in x  $\frac{7}{8}$ in (10.2cm x 2.2cm)

#### Tractor steering wheel



#### Tractor large wheel



#### Tractor large wheel

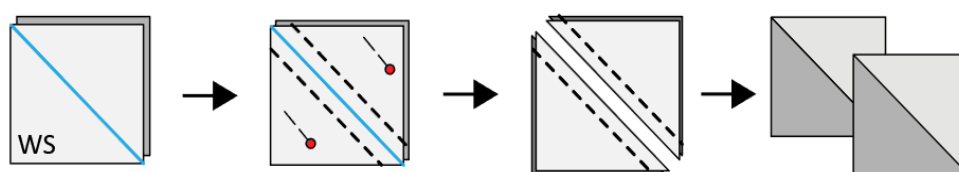
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- c**  $4\frac{1}{2}$ in (11.4cm) square
- d**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm) square
- e**  $4\frac{1}{2}$ in x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ in (11.4cm x 6.4cm)
- f**  $8\frac{1}{2}$ in x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (21.6cm x 3.8cm)
- g**  $1\frac{1}{2}$ in (3.8cm) square
- h** 2in (5.1cm) square

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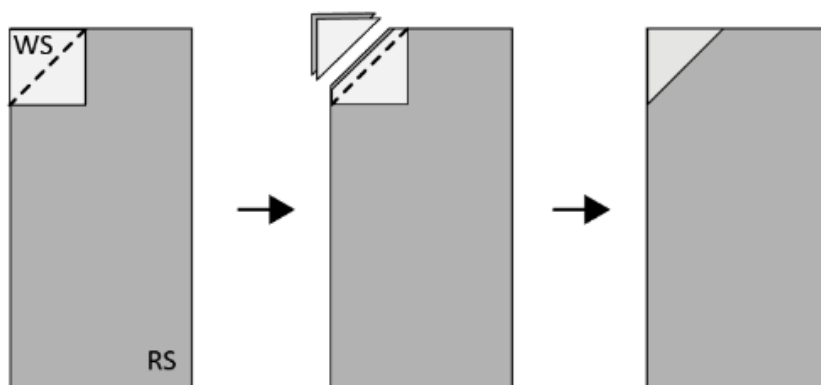
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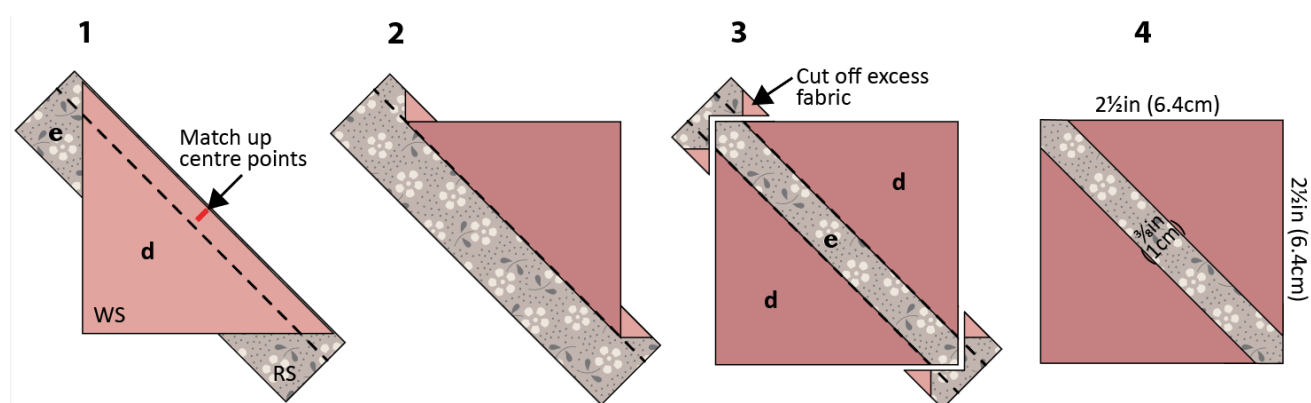


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**Fig E** Making a corner triangle unit

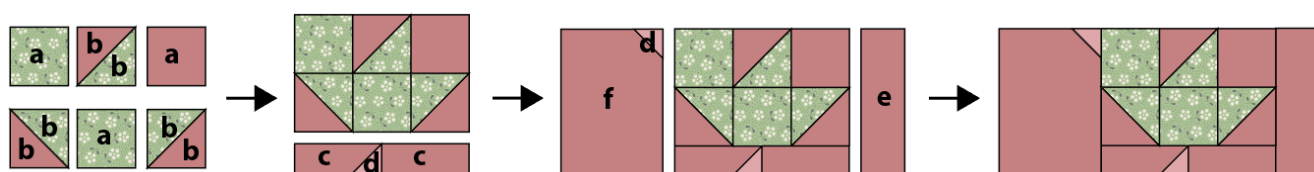


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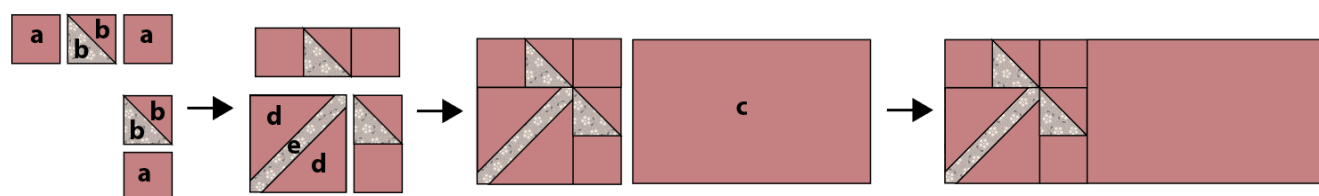
**Fig F** Making a diagonal strip unit

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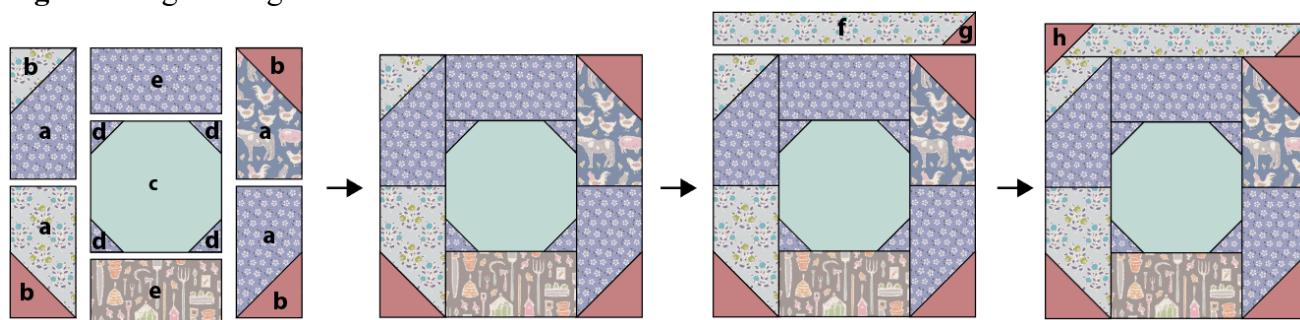
**Fig G** Making the bird

**11** To make the steering wheel, follow **Fig H**. You will have already made the **d/e/d** unit. Now sew the units together.

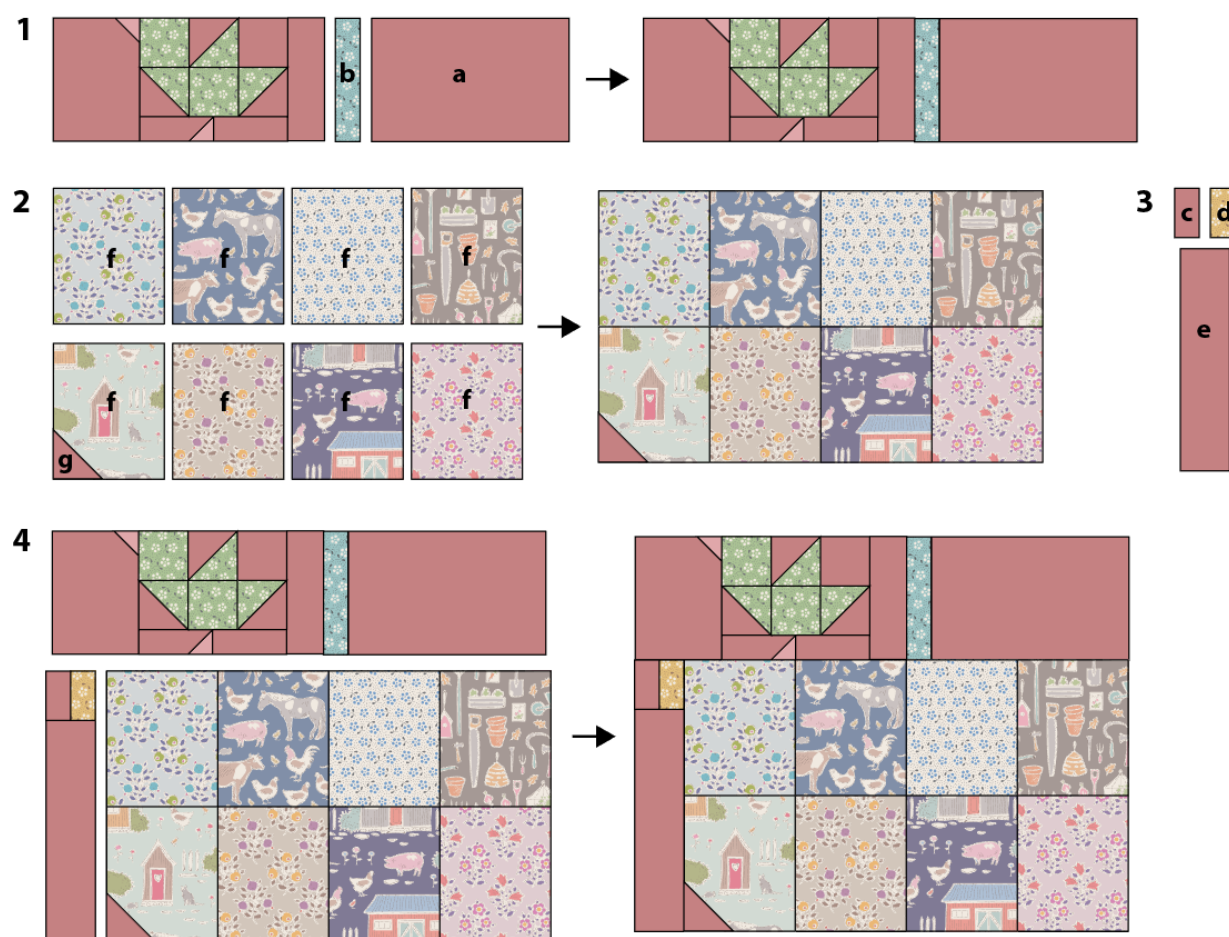
**Fig H** Making the steering wheel

**12 Assembling the large wheel:** Lay out all of the pieces for this section and follow the stages in **Fig I**, sewing the units into columns first. Add the **f/g** unit to the top of the section. Finally, make a corner triangle at top right with piece **h**. This piece will form a triangle over two other pieces.

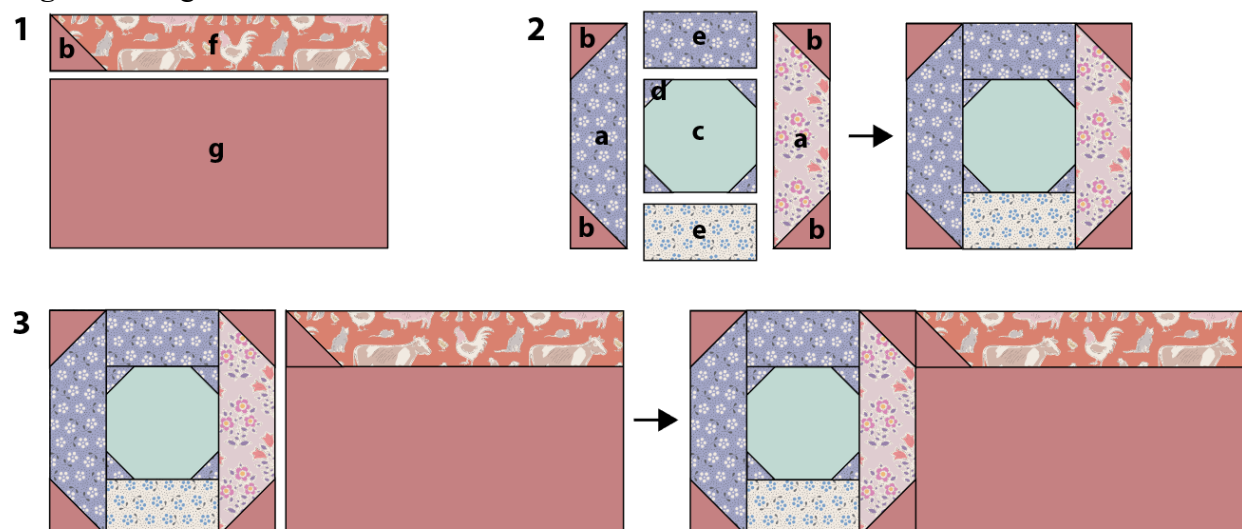


**Fig I Making the large wheel**

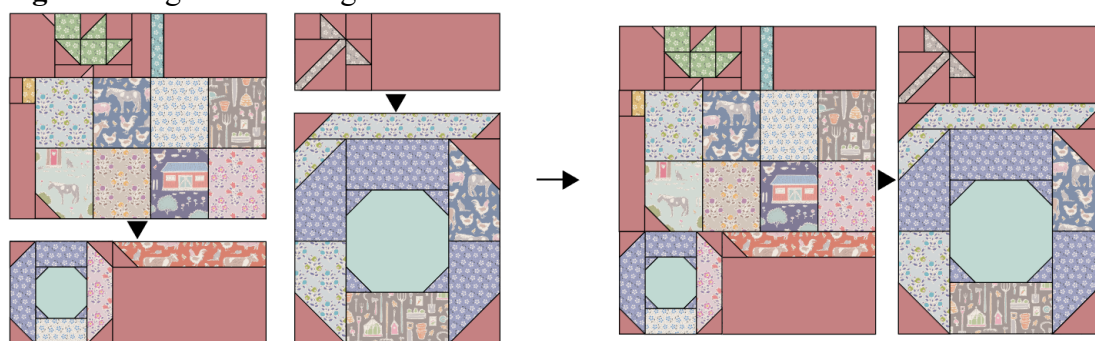
**13 Assembling the engine:** Lay out the pieces for this section and follow the stages in **Fig J**. Make the top of the engine first (this includes the bird unit you have already made) (**Fig J 1**). Now make the body of the engine following **Fig J 2** and **Fig J 3** and then sew the units together (**Fig J 4**).

**Fig J Making the engine**

**14 Assembling the small wheel:** Lay out the pieces for this section. Make the right-hand unit first (**Fig K 1**) and then the wheel (**Fig K 2**) and then sew the units together (**Fig K 3**).

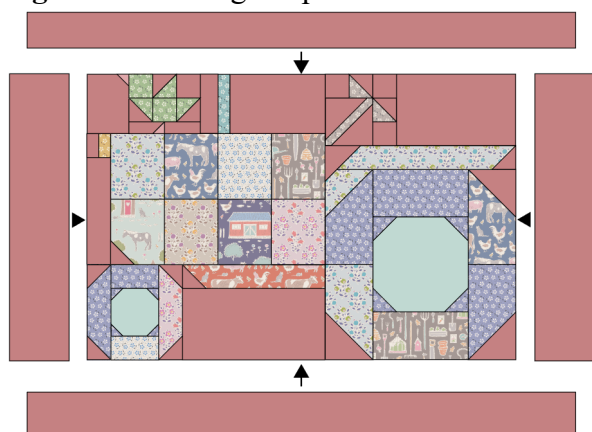
**Fig K Making the small wheel**

**15 Assembling the block:** Lay out all of the pieced units for a block, as shown in **Fig L**. Sew the units together in vertical pairs and press. Now sew the pairs together and press. Check the block is 18½in x 12½in (47cm x 31.8cm).

**Fig L Sewing the block together**

### Assembling the Pillow

**16** Sew the short border strips to the sides of the block and press seams outwards (**Fig M**). Sew the 2in border strip to the top of the block and the 2½in strip to the bottom and press seams outwards.

**Fig M Assembling the pillow**



## Quilting and Finishing

**17** Make a quilt sandwich of the patchwork, wadding (batting) and lining fabric (if using). Quilt as desired.

**18** To make up the pillow cover, on both pieces of fabric for the pillow back, create a hem along one short side of each piece, by turning the edge over by  $\frac{1}{2}$ in (1.3cm), twice. Sew the seam with matching thread and press.

**19** The pillow has a bound edge, so the pieces are assembled with right sides out, as follows. Place the quilted patchwork right side down. Pin one backing piece on top, right side up and with the hem towards the centre. Pin the second backing piece on top, right side up and hem towards the centre (so the backing pieces overlap). Make sure the outer edges of all three pieces are aligned. Pin the layers together and then bind as normal. As you sew the binding in place it will fix the other layers together. Press the cover and insert a pillow pad to finish.

## Patch Tractor Pillow

### Lupine colourway

This pillow has been designed as a companion to the Patch Tractor Quilt and uses a solid lupine colour for the background. The block is framed by a simple border. There is also a version of the pillow that uses a terracotta background, which has a different position for the little bird, and so has its own instructions (page 2). For quilt instructions see [www.tildasworld.com](http://www.tildasworld.com)

### Materials (Lupine pillow)

- Fabric 1: ½yd (50cm) – Solid lupine (120013)
- Fabric 2: 9in (23cm) square – Farm Flowers rosehip (110009)
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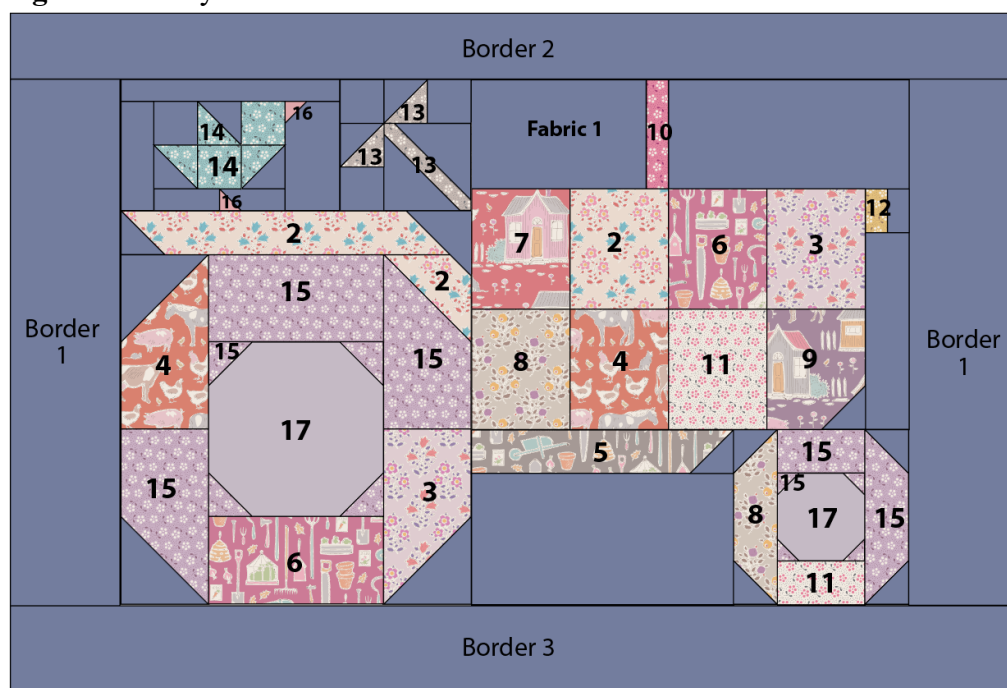
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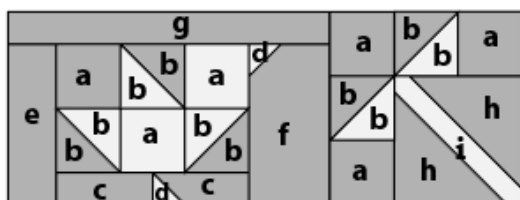
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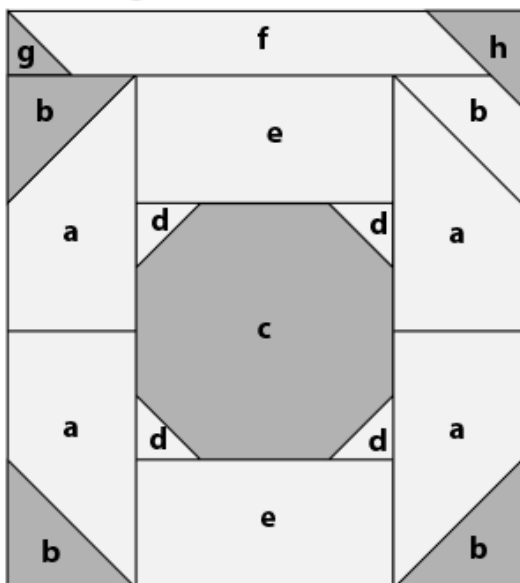
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- a 1½in (3.8cm) square
- b 1½in (4.8cm) square (HSTs)
- c 2in x 1in (5.1cm x 2.5cm)
- d 1in (2.5cm) square
- e 1½in x 3in (3.2cm x 7.6cm)
- f 1¾in x 3in (4.4cm x 7.6cm)
- g 5½in x 1in (14cm x 2.5cm)
- h 2½in (6.7cm) square cut into two triangles
- i 4in x ¾in (10.2cm x 2.2cm)

#### Tractor steering wheel and bird



#### Tractor large wheel



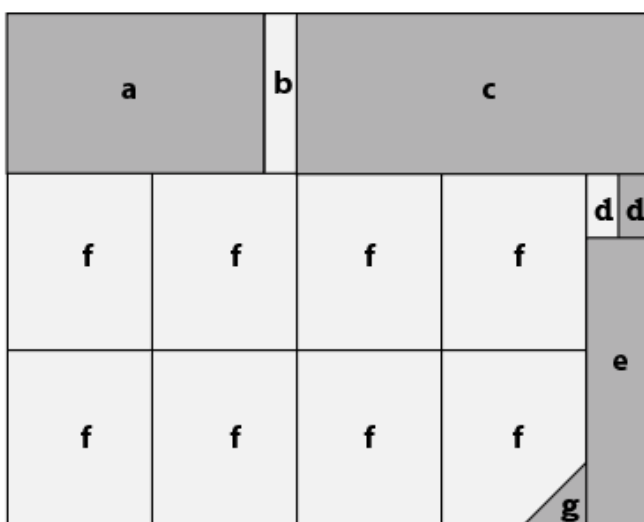
#### Tractor large wheel

- a 2½in x 4½in (6.4cm x 11.4cm)
- b 2½in (6.4cm) square
- c 4½in (11.4cm) square
- d 1½in (3.8cm) square
- e 4½in x 2½in (11.4cm x 6.4cm)
- f 8½in x 1½in (21.6cm x 3.8cm)
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- h 2in (5.1cm) square

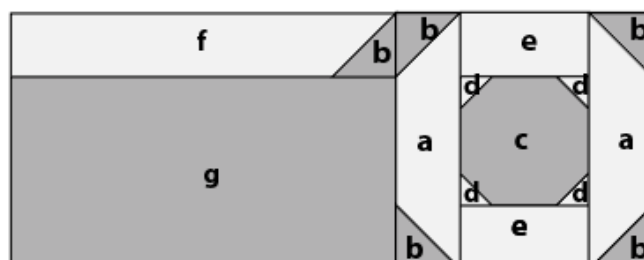
#### Tractor engine

- a 4½in x 3in (11.4cm x 7.6cm)
- b 1in x 3in (2.5cm x 7.6cm)
- c 6in x 3in (15.2cm x 7.6cm)
- d 1in x 1½in (2.5cm x 3.8cm)
- e 1½in x 5in (3.8cm x 12.7cm)
- f 2¾in x 3¾in (7cm x 8.3cm)
- g 1½in (3.8cm) square

#### Tractor engine



#### Tractor small wheel



#### Tractor small wheel

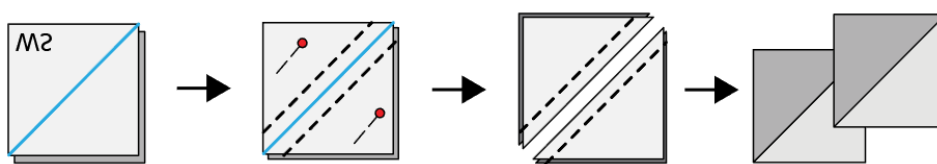
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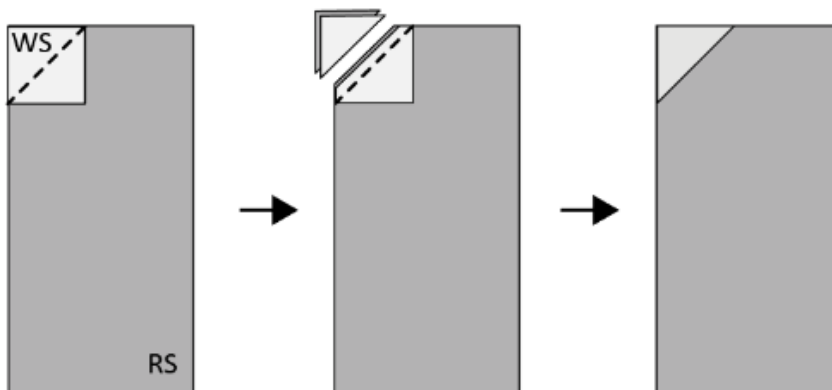
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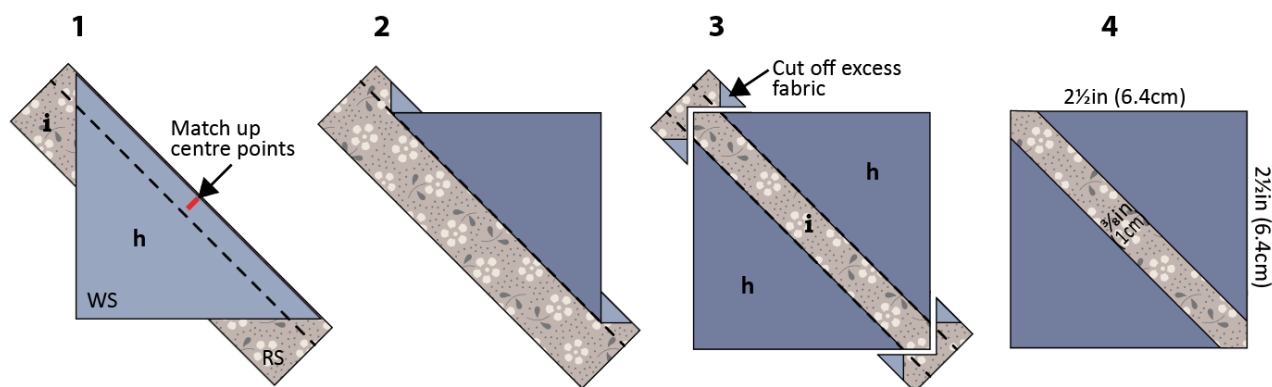


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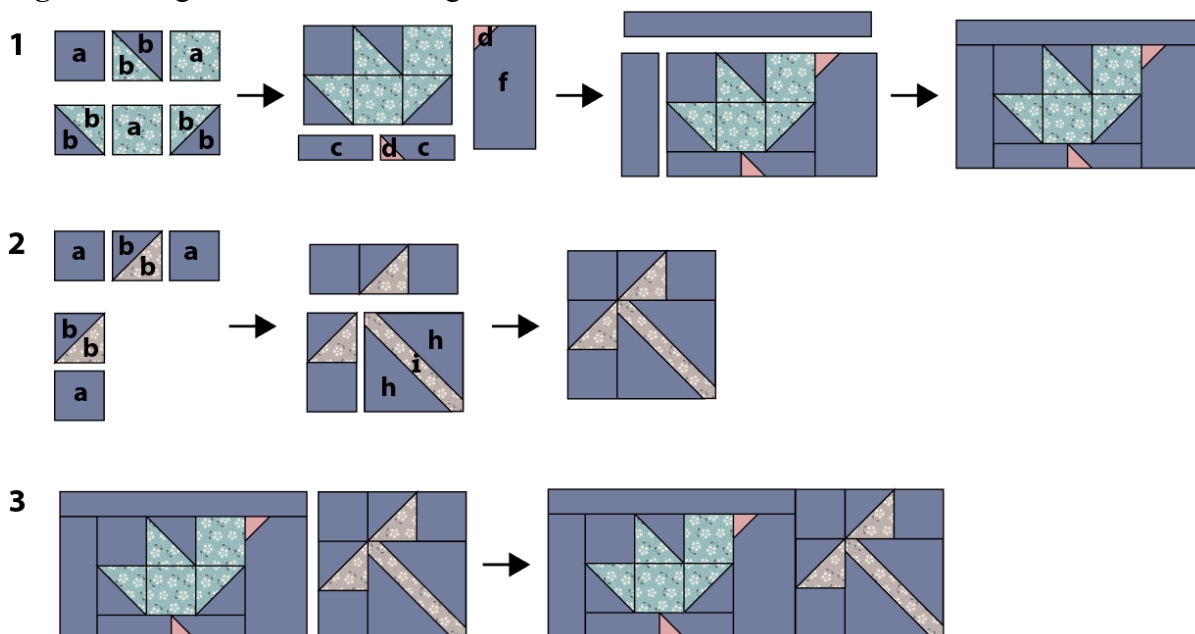


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**Fig F** Making a diagonal strip unit

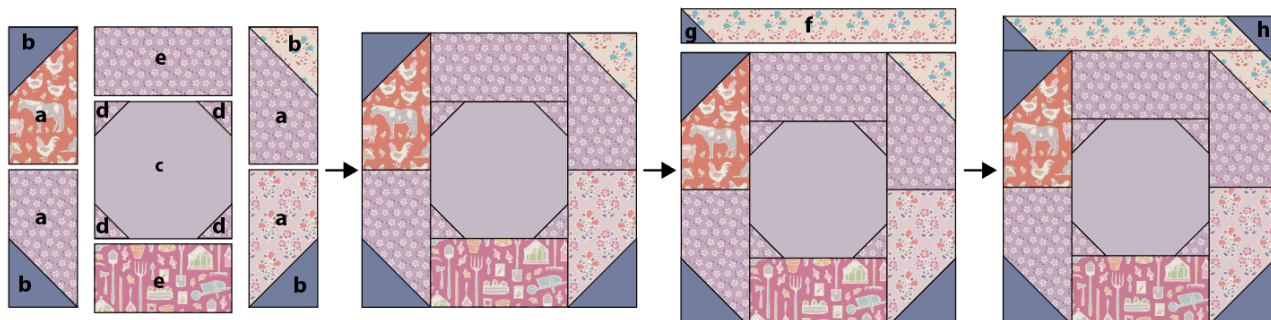
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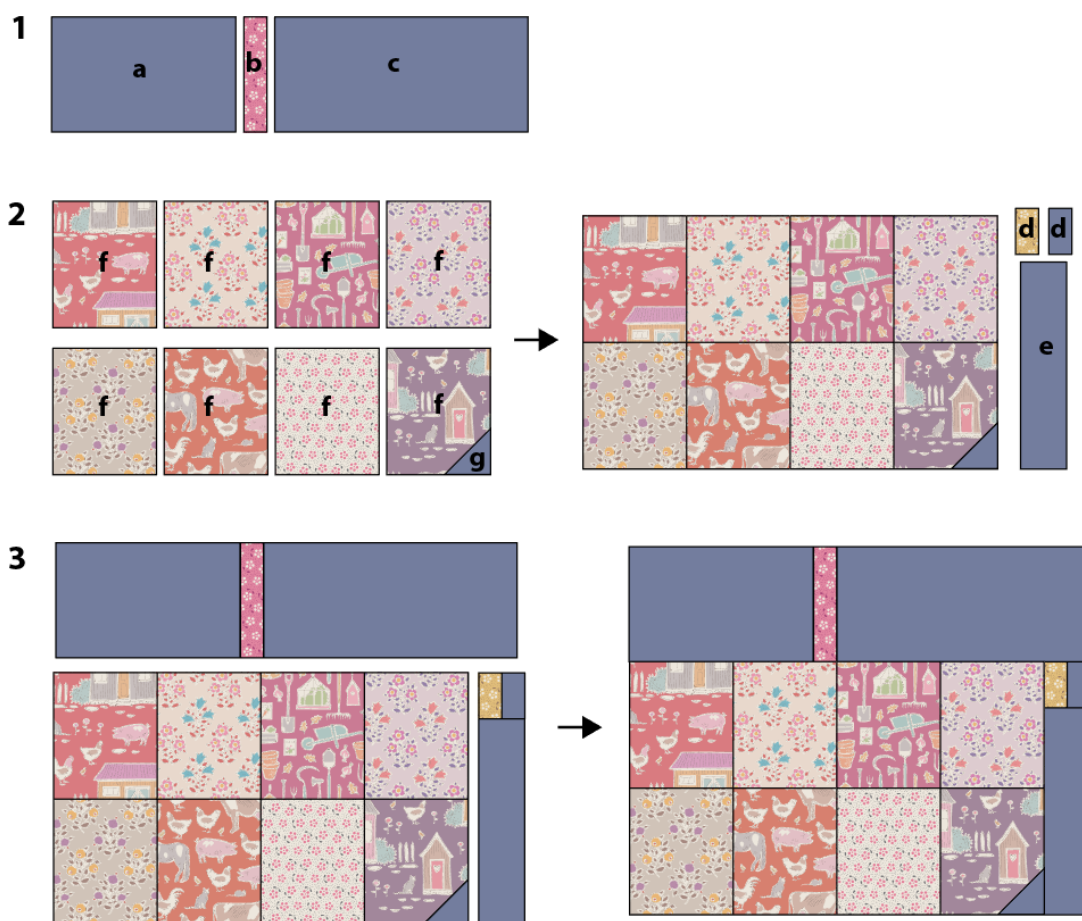
**Fig G** Making the bird and steering wheel

**11 Assembling the large wheel:** Lay out all of the pieces for this section and follow the stages in **Fig H**, sewing the units into columns first. Add the **f/g** unit to the top of the section. Finally, make a corner triangle at top right with piece **h**. This piece will form a triangle over two other pieces.

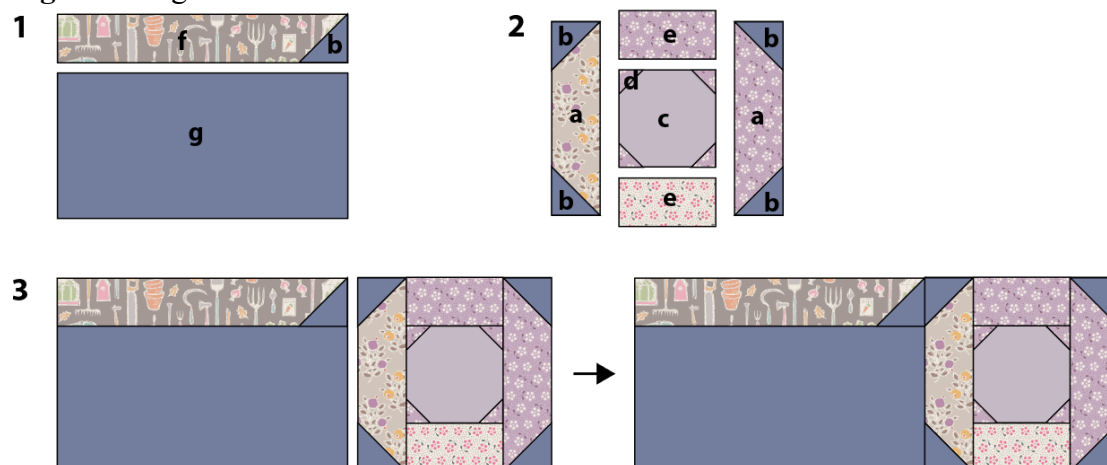


**Fig H** Making the large wheel

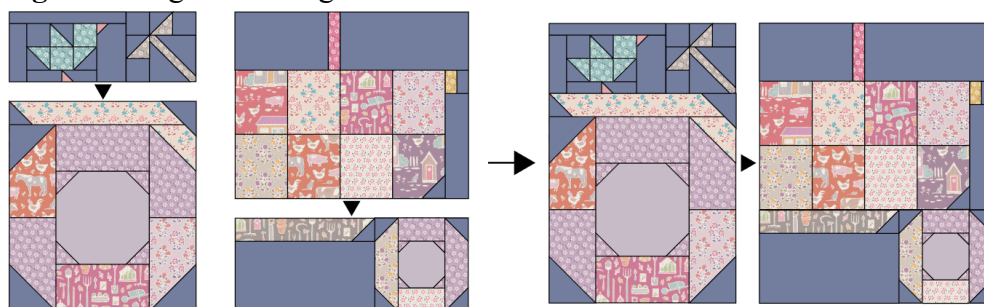
**12 Assembling the engine:** Lay out the pieces for this section and follow the stages in **Fig I**. Make the top of the engine first (**Fig I 1**). Now make the body of the engine following **Fig I 2** and then sew the units together (**Fig I 3**).

**Fig I** Making the engine

**13 Assembling the small wheel:** Lay out all of the pieces for this section. Make the left-hand unit first (**Fig J 1**) and then the wheel (**Fig J 2**) and then sew the units together (**Fig J 3**).

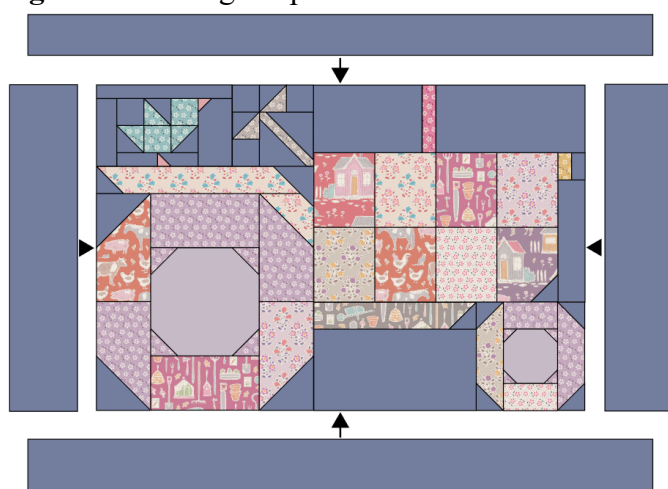
**Fig J Making the small wheel**

**14 Assembling the block:** Lay out all of the pieced units for a block, as shown in **Fig K**. Sew the units together in vertical pairs and press. Now sew the pairs together and press. Check the block is 18½in x 12½in (47cm x 31.8cm).

**Fig K Sewing a block together**

### Assembling the Pillow

**15** Sew the short border strips to the sides of the block and press seams outwards (**Fig L**). Sew the 2in border strip to the top of the block and the 2½in strip to the bottom and press seams outwards.

**Fig L Assembling the pillow**

## Quilting and Finishing

**16** Make a quilt sandwich of the patchwork, wadding (batting) and lining fabric (if using). Quilt as desired.

**17** To make up the pillow cover, on both pieces of fabric for the pillow back, create a hem along one short side of each piece, by turning the edge over by  $\frac{1}{2}$ in (1.3cm), twice. Sew the seam with matching thread and press.

**18** The pillow has a bound edge, so the pieces are assembled with right sides out, as follows. Place the quilted patchwork right side down. Pin one backing piece on top, right side up and with the hem towards the centre. Pin the second backing piece on top, right side up and hem towards the centre (so the backing pieces overlap). Make sure the outer edges of all three pieces are aligned. Pin the layers together and then bind as normal. As you sew the binding in place it will fix the other layers together. Press the cover and insert a pillow pad to finish.