

happy mushrooms

FPP PATTERN



#happymushroomspattern

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HAPPY MUSHROOMS

As you may know, my patterns are often about love. This one is about love for nature, and is part of the "Back to Nature" sew along run by Kristy Lea of Quiet Play Designs, and Leila of Leila Gardunia Designs.

Our family lives in British Columbia, Canada, a beautiful area known for it's many Gulf Islands, abundant ocean life and gorgeous old growth forests. Our home is on the mountain in North Vancouver and we often walk the local forest trails to get a nature fix. I always feel rejuvenated and peaceful after spending time with the trees. If you keep your eyes open while walking, you will almost always spot happy families of mushrooms, poking out of a decaying log or popping through a patch of soft green moss. They love the shady, cool, damp hiding spots in the forest. Mushrooms and trees have a special symbiotic relationship, both aiding each others survival in the ecosystem. Our unassuming little fungi friends work hard in these areas, decomposing dead plants, breaking them down into compounds that other organisms around them can use.

This pattern has three design options:

- Plain mushroom
- Mushroom with bug
- Mushroom house

BLOCK SIZE: 6" x 6" (finished size)

SEAM ALLOWANCE: 1/4"







FABRIC IDEAS:

Mushroom: Play with spotted and striped fabrics to add extra detail.

Alternatively choose a palette of solids in Nature's colours.

Bug: Choose two tones for the wings, or use fabric with a small dot design.

Tip: Use French knots as optional embellishments on the bug or toadstool cap.



FOUNDATION PAPER PIECING:

- TUTORIALS: https://www.youtube.com/user/happysewlucky/videos
- PRINTING: Print templates at 100% size. Do not print directly from a web browser as this can affect the size. Instead download the pattern, open the document in a PDF reader and print from there. Use the 1" check marker on the template pages to check the size.
- PLANNING: Use coloured pencils to mark your fabric choices on each section.
- STITCH LENGTH: Use a short stitch length to make removing the foundation papers at the end easier.

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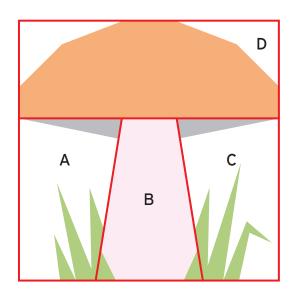
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PATTERN OVERVIEW



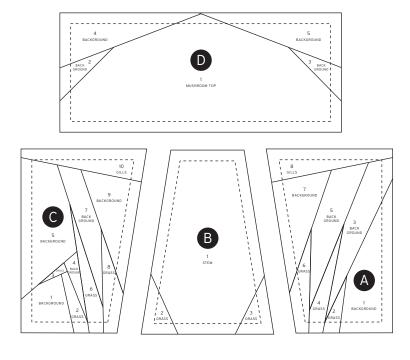
PLAIN MUSHROOM:

Use templates **A**, **B**, **C** and **D**.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- i) Stitch **A** to **B**, and **B** to **C**.
- ii) Stitch **D** to **ABC**.

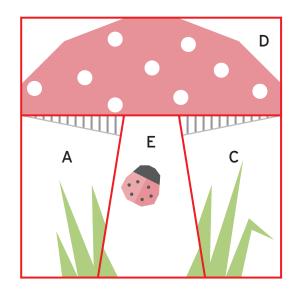
TEMPLATE LAYOUT





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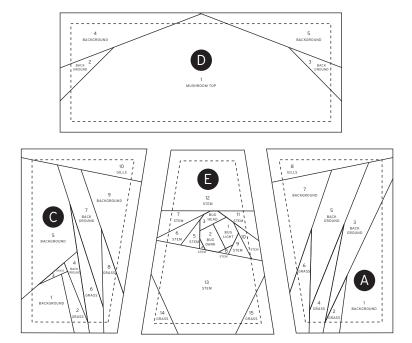
MUSHROOM with BUG:

Use templates **A**, **E**, **C** and **D**.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- i) Stitch A to E, and E to C.
- ii) Stitch **D** to **AEC**.

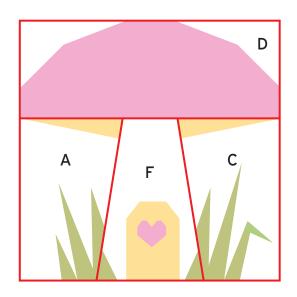
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PATTERN OVERVIEW



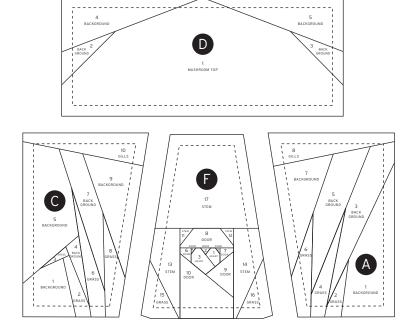
MUSHROOM HOUSE:

Use templates **A**, **F**, **C** and **D**.

INSTRUCTIONS:

- i) Stitch **A** to **F**, and **F** to **C**.
- ii) Stitch **D** to **AFC**.

TEMPLATE LAYOUT

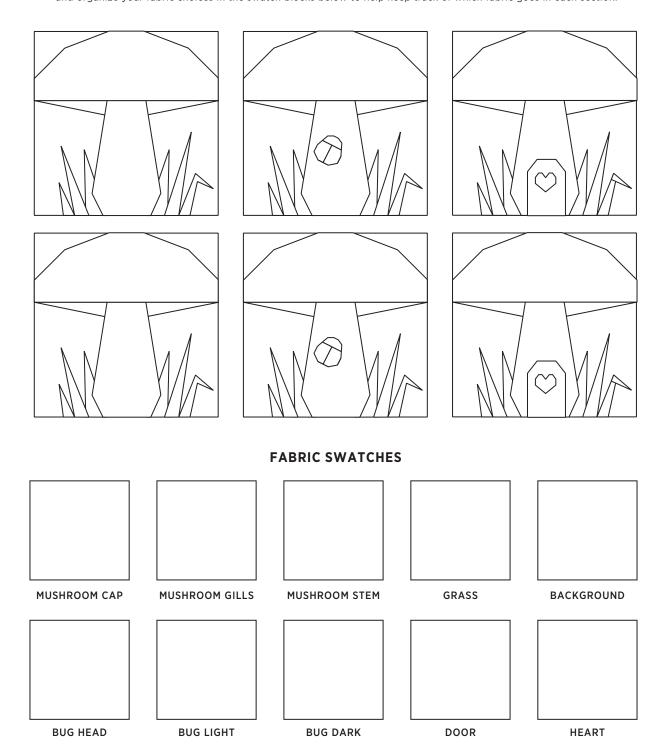


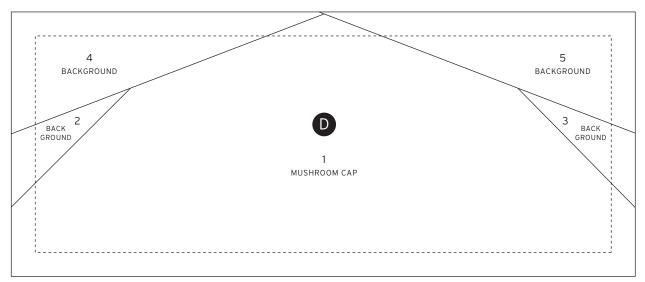


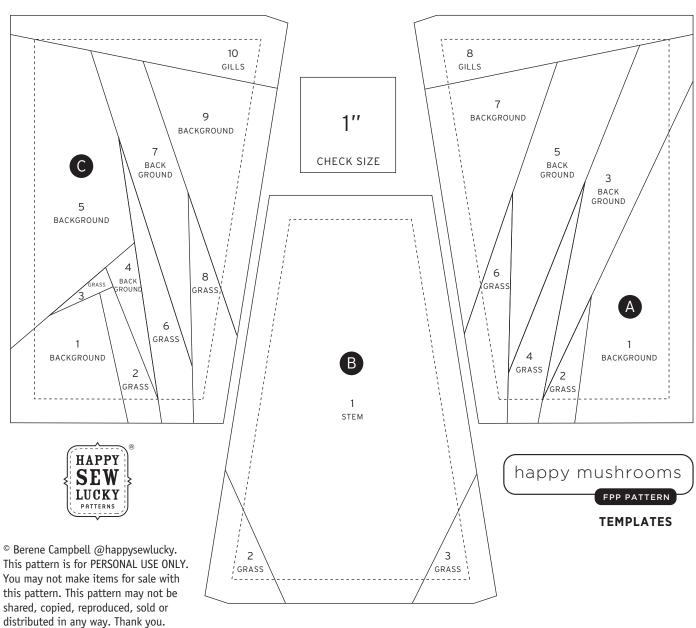


COLOURING & SWATCH PAGE

This page is to help you with planning and staying on track as you go. Play with colour options on the colouring sketch and organize your fabric choices in the swatch blocks below to help keep track of which fabric goes in each section.



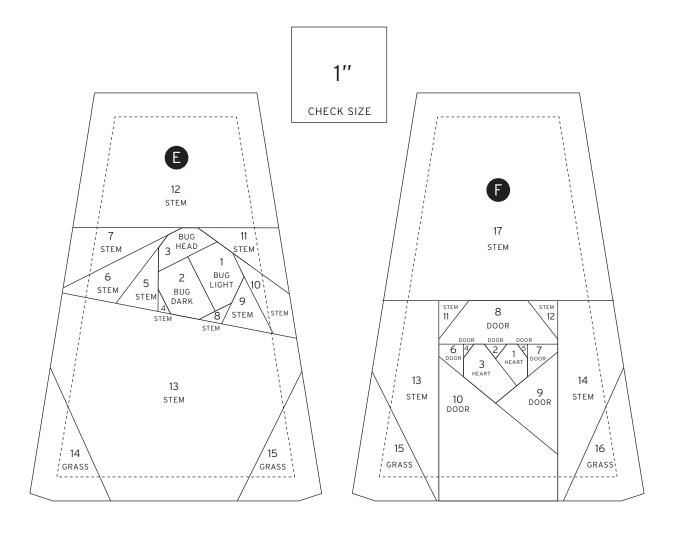








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TIPS FOR TINY PIECING:

- MACHINE NEEDLE: Use a fine needle 70/10 recommended
- THREAD: Finer thread (60wt to 100wt) reduces bulk.
- FABRIC CHOICES: Lighter weight quilting cottons Tana lawn or brands such as Art Gallery Fabrics & Ruby Star Society are recommended for less bulk. Linen is not recommeded for these tiny blocks. Choose solids or small print designs.
- ADD-AN-EIGHTH RULER: An alternative to the Add-a-Quarter that can be used for really bulky areas.

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