



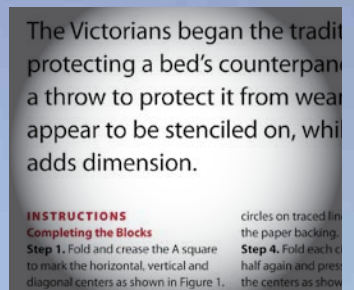
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# Chinese Lanterns Tea Cozy

By Chris Malone

*Border three sides of a block to create the perfect-size tea cozy.*

## PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Project Size: 15" x 13 3/4" (without prairie points)

Block Size: 12" x 12"

Number of Blocks: 1

## FABRIC & BATTING

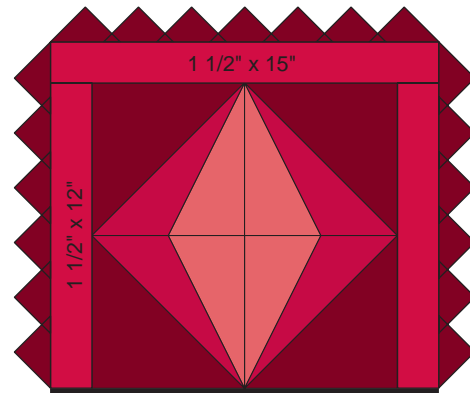
- 1/4 yard each 2 different red-and-black prints
- 1/4 yard black-with-red print
- 1/2 yard dark red print
- 2 (15 1/2" x 14") pieces low-loft batting
- 1 yard self-made or purchased narrow black binding

## SUPPLIES & TOOLS

- All-purpose thread to match fabrics
- Red quilting thread
- Basic sewing tools and supplies

## INSTRUCTIONS

1. Prepare one Chinese Lanterns block referring to the Placement Diagram for placement of colors in the block.
2. Cut one strip 2" x 15 1/2" and two strips 2" x 12 1/2" dark red print.
3. Sew the shorter strips to opposite sides of the



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Placement Diagram

15" x 13 3/4" (without prairie points)

pieced block; sew the longer strip to the top. Press seams toward strips.

4. Cut three 14" x 15 1/2" rectangles dark red print for backing and lining.

5. To make tea cozy front, place one backing piece right side up on one piece of batting; place the pieced block right side down on the backing. Sew around the three bordered sides, leaving bottom edge open.

6. Trim batting close to seam; trim corners. Turn right side out; press. Machine-baste bottom edges together along raw edges. Trim batting close to stitching.

7. To make tea cozy back, layer the second piece of batting and the two remaining dark red lining pieces and sew as in step 5. Turn and baste bottom edge as in step 6.

8. Quilt front and back layers as desired by hand or machine. *Note: The front of the sample was hand-quilted in the ditch of seams using red quilting thread. The back of the sample was hand-quilted in the Chinese Lantern design using red quilting thread.*

9. Cut 19 squares black-with-red print 3" x 3". Fold each square on one diagonal with wrong sides together; fold a second time to form a prairie point as shown in Figure 1; repeat for all squares.

10. Pin six prairie points



**Figure 1**

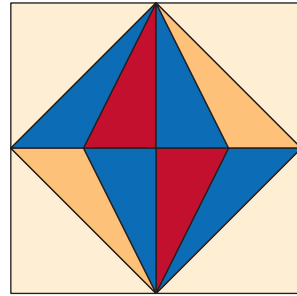
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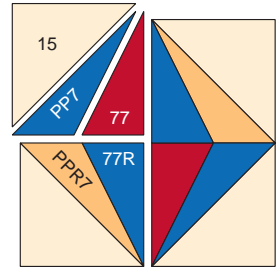
# Chinese Lanterns

## PIECING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Referring to the Piecing Diagram to piece one block, sew a darkest 77R to a medium PPR7 to a light 15; repeat for two units. Sew a dark 77 to a darkest PP7 to a light 15; repeat for two units.
2. Join the units to complete one block.



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Templates needed:  
15, 77, 77R, PP7 & PPR7

to each side of the quilted top and seven across the top edge, with folded edges facing the same direction, with points overlapping about 1/2" and leaving 1/4" on each end for seams as shown in Figure 2; machine-baste in place.

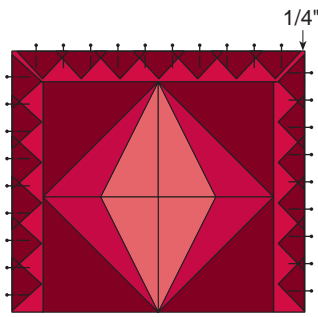
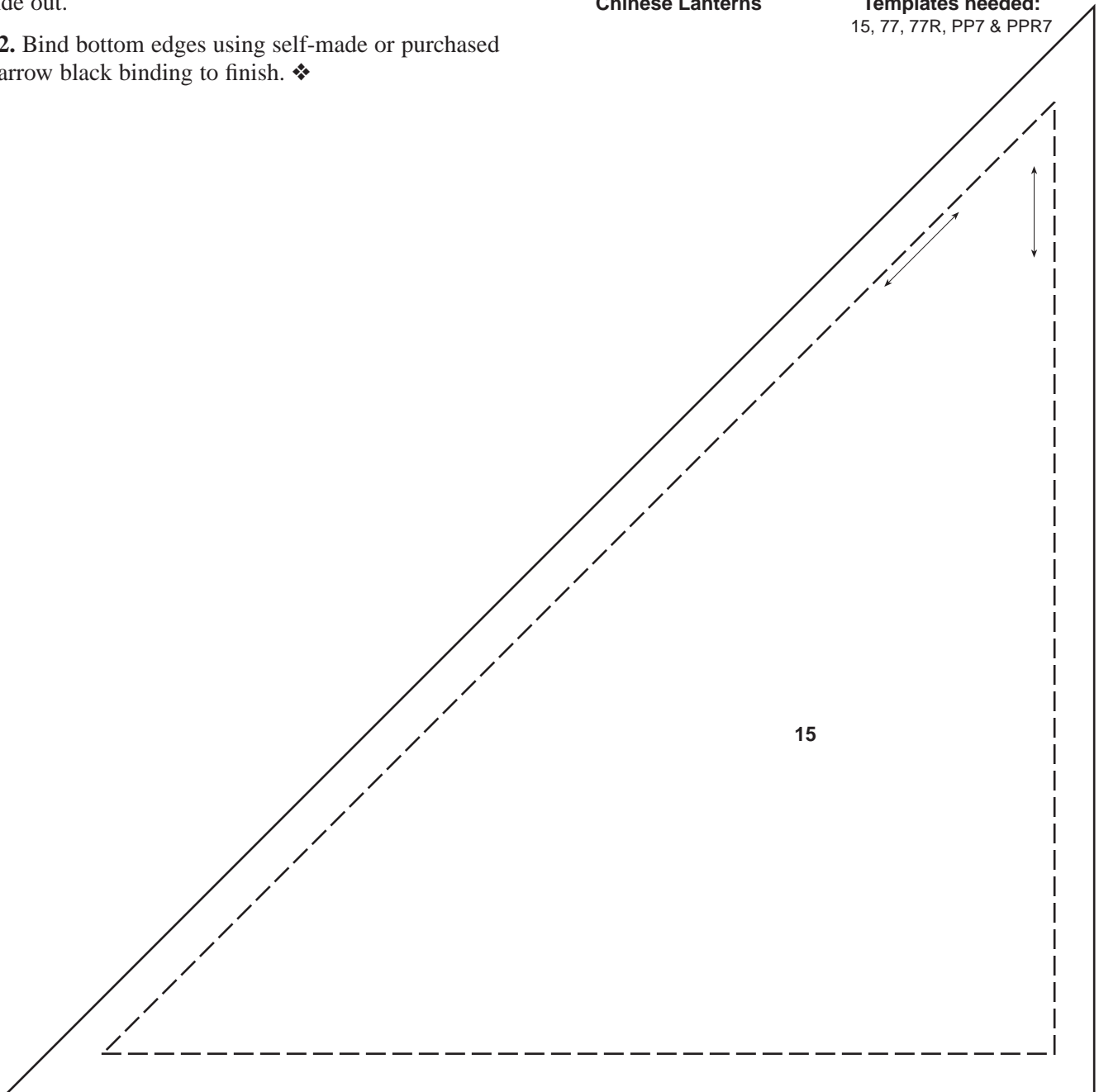


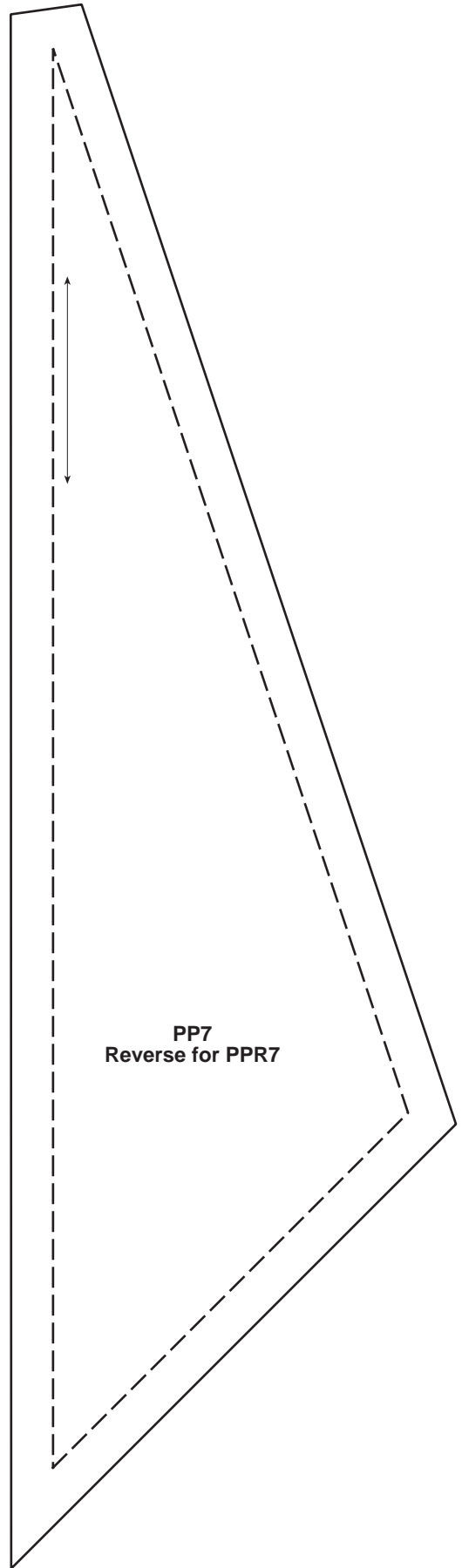
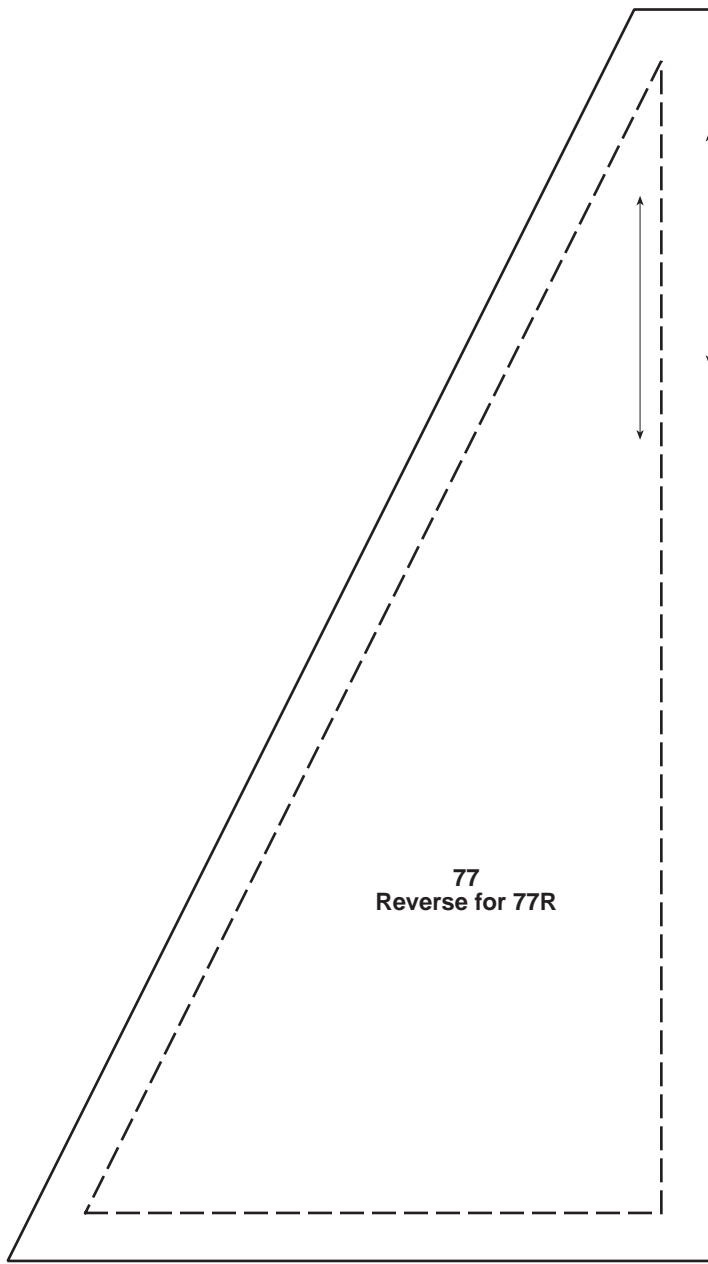
Figure 2

Pin 6 prairie points to each side and 7 across the top edge, with folded edges facing the same direction, with points overlapping about 1/2" and leaving 1/4" on each end for seams as shown.

**11.** Pin the quilted front and back pieces right sides together; sew along sides and across top. Carefully trim corners; overcast or zigzag along seams to keep from fraying. Turn right side out.

**12.** Bind bottom edges using self-made or purchased narrow black binding to finish. ❖





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