Presenting Underdog
Block 1

Presenting Jersey Girl

**Cutting**

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<th>A</th>
<th>(1) 12 ½&quot; x 12 ½&quot; background square. Grunge #30150 101</th>
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<td>B</td>
<td>(20) 2 ½&quot; x 4 ½&quot; assorted print rectangles for Dresden Blades. Use the Dresden Blade template provided to cut out (20) blades. Grunge - 5 each of 64 &amp; 365 / 10 of 328</td>
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<td>(1) circle using the template provided. If you wish to complete raw edge applique, use the innermost black printed line when tracing. If you wish to complete turn under applique, use the outermost black printed line when tracing. Grunge #30150 101</td>
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**Assembly**

1. Begin Dresden Block by preparing the blades. Fold each fabric Dresden Blade lengthwise and with right sides together.

2. Sew along the top edge of the Dresden Blade as shown in the diagram using a ¼” seam. Backstitch at the beginning and end of each seam thoroughly to secure.

3. Use a small pair of scissors to cut a small triangle from the seam allowance on the corner where the fabric is folded. That will create the Dresden Blade’s point as shown. Do not cut through the thread. Cut right above the thread.

4. Turn the Dresden Blade right side out. Use your fingers or a special tool to carefully poke the Dresden’s point out for a sharp appearance.

5. Press the interior seam open to reduce bulk at the Dresden’s point. Press and starch for a nice finish.
6. Once all Dresden Blades are prepared, arrange blades in a circle as shown. Aim for even color and fabric distribution.

7. Sew the circle together in quadrants of (5) blades each. Align the folded edges of (2) blades sewing from the top of the blade toward the bottom. The bottom raw edges will be covered upon completion of the block. Backstitch at the beginning and end of the seam to secure.

8. Sew the quadrants together. You may press all seams in the same direction, or press all seams open.

9. Center the completed Dresden Plate onto the A square so that the edges of the Dresden Plate are at least ¼” away from the edges of the background square. Pin in place.

10. Applique in place using a decorative stitch and thread color of your choice. Press.

11. Prepare the fabric circle using your preferred applique method. Fabric circles can be prepared by using flip and fuse methods, turn under applique, needle turn applique, or raw edge with fusible interfacing.

12. Place the prepared fabric circle onto the center of the block so that the raw edges of the Dresden Plate are covered by the circle. Pin in place.

13. Applique in place using a decorative stitch and thread color of your choice to complete the block. Block should measure 12 ½” x 12 ½” unfinished.

Be sure to share your block and progress online!

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Dresden Templates

Ensure that block measures 1”.

Dresden Blade

Dresden Circle