

Tulip Block

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Sneak Peek

Simple Yet Elegant BOM - Block 1

When I first discovered quilting I was drawn to Baltimore Album quilts. There is so much detail in them that I knew they must have spent years in the making. I then realized that we needed a Baltimore Album pattern for beginning appliquéers. *Simple Yet Elegant* was born.

I thought it would be fun to start with the tulip blocks. This is the medallion of our quilt and we will need a total of 4 blocks. You can make these blocks at any time during our program. If you finish a block before the next block is ready, you can work on a tulip block to pass the time. Let's get started.

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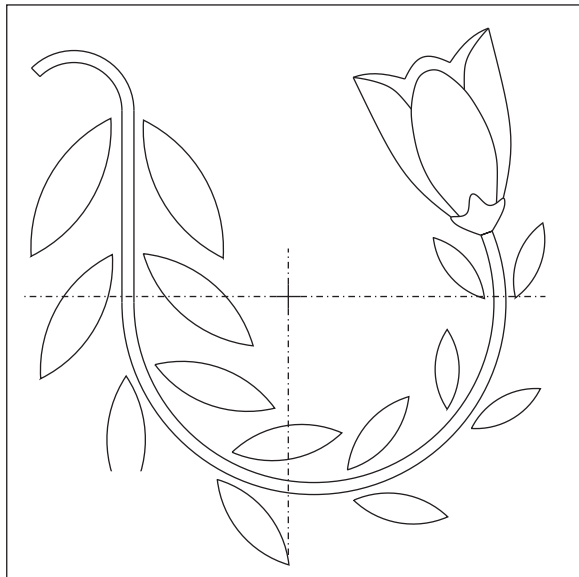


12" by 12"



Creating the Location Map

Take the three pages for the map and tape them together to make a **Location Map** as shown in the figure below.



Material Needed

For this block you will need:

- 14" x 14" background fabric
- red fabric for tulip petals
- dark red fabric for tulip flower inside
- green fabric for stem and leaves

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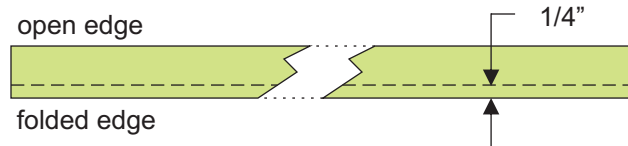
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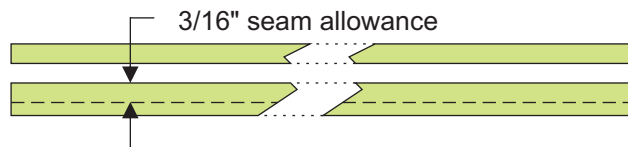
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Creating the Bias Strip

Cut one (1) 1" x 24" strip along the bias of the green fabric. Fold the strip lengthwise (wrong sides together) and stitch 1/4" away from folded edge. See figure below.



Cut away fabric leaving a 3/16" seam allowance as shown in figure below.



Fold the piece in half lengthwise and press. Figure below shows end view of strip.



Appliqué

Appliqué the bias strip first. (The stem is piece 1.) You can use the taped **Location Map** to help you make the curves onto the background fabric.

Appliqué the rest of the pieces in order, starting with 2.

Square the block to 12 1/2" x 12 1/2" and save it for the last step.

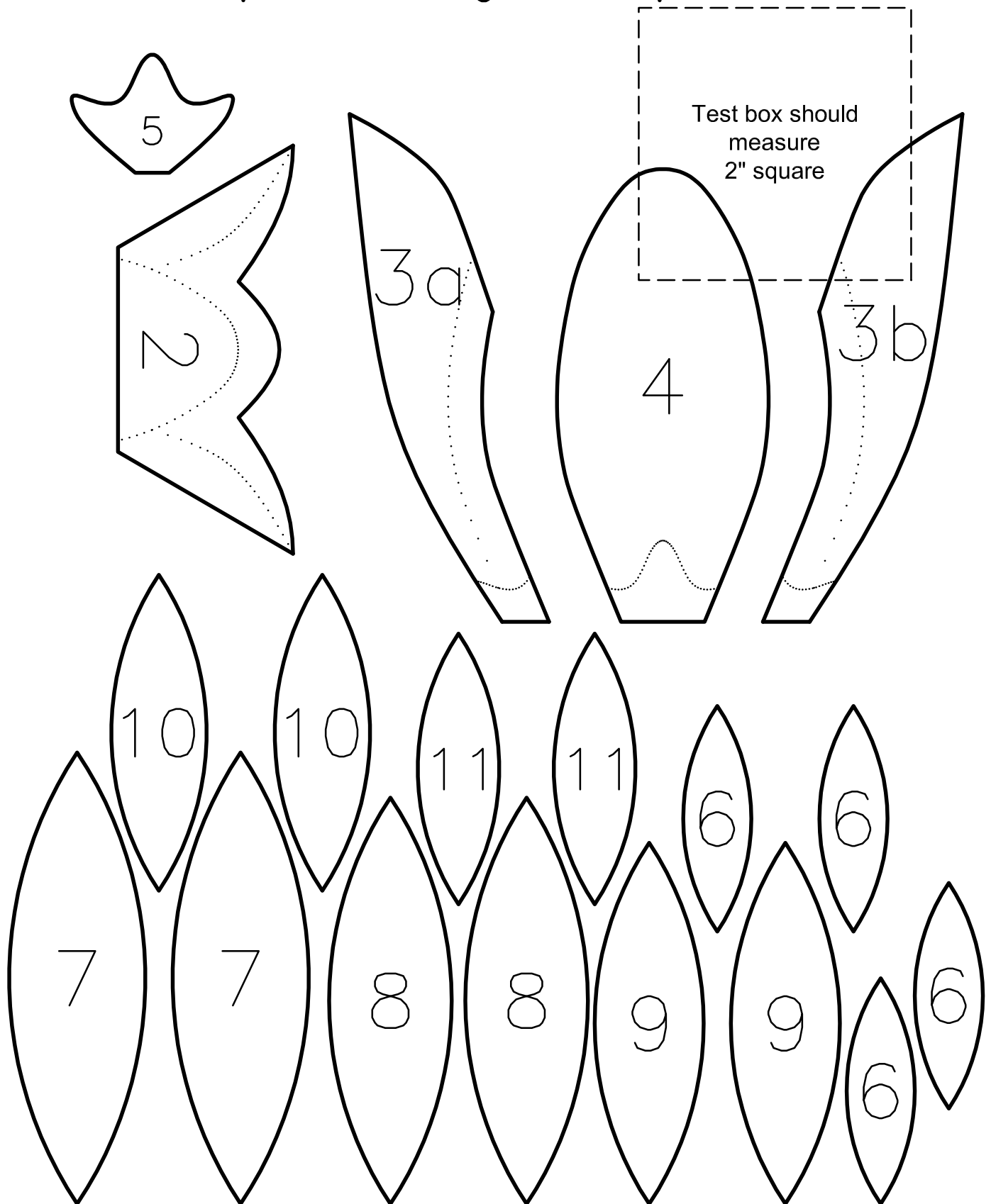
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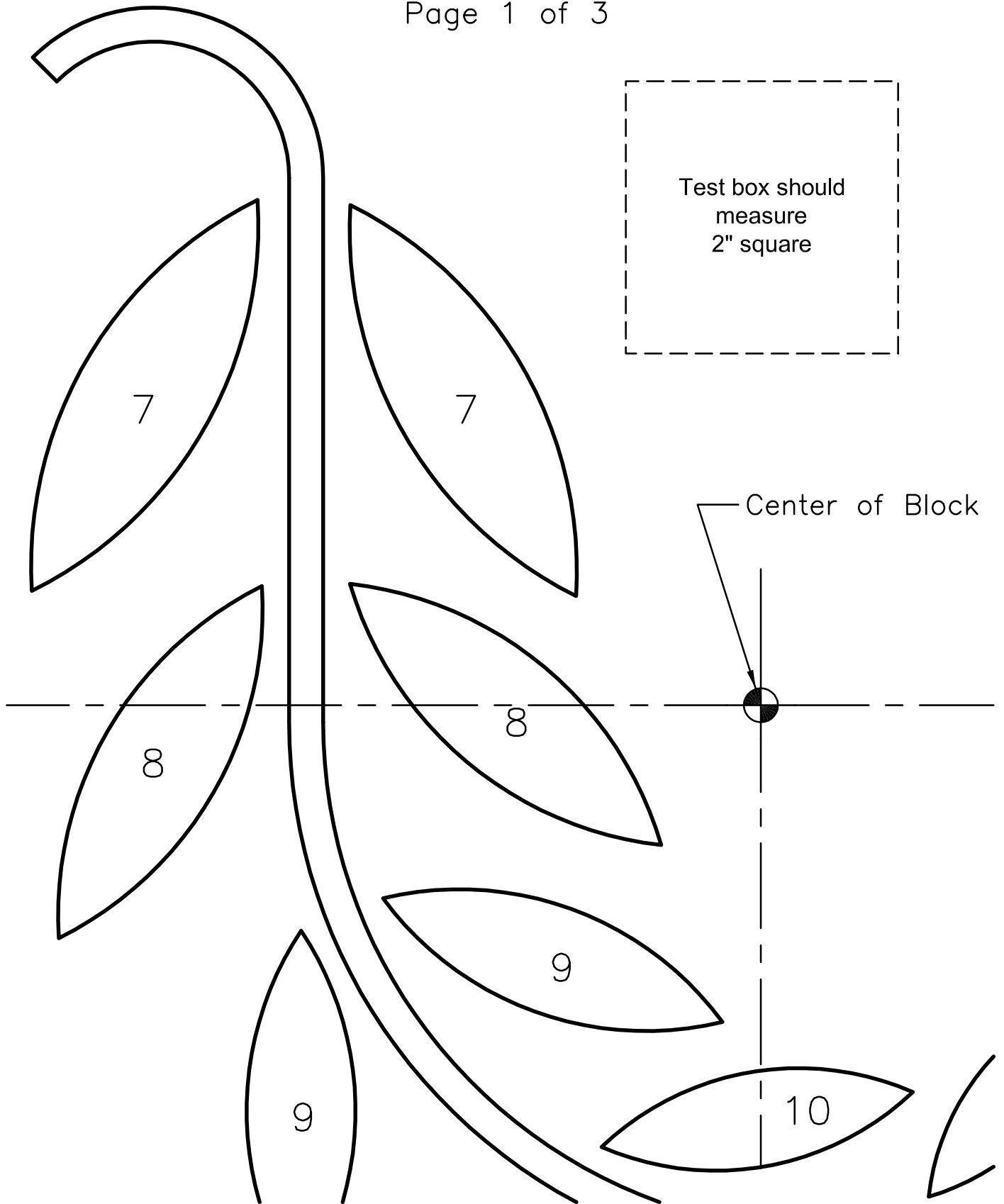
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Simple Yet Elegant Tulip Pieces



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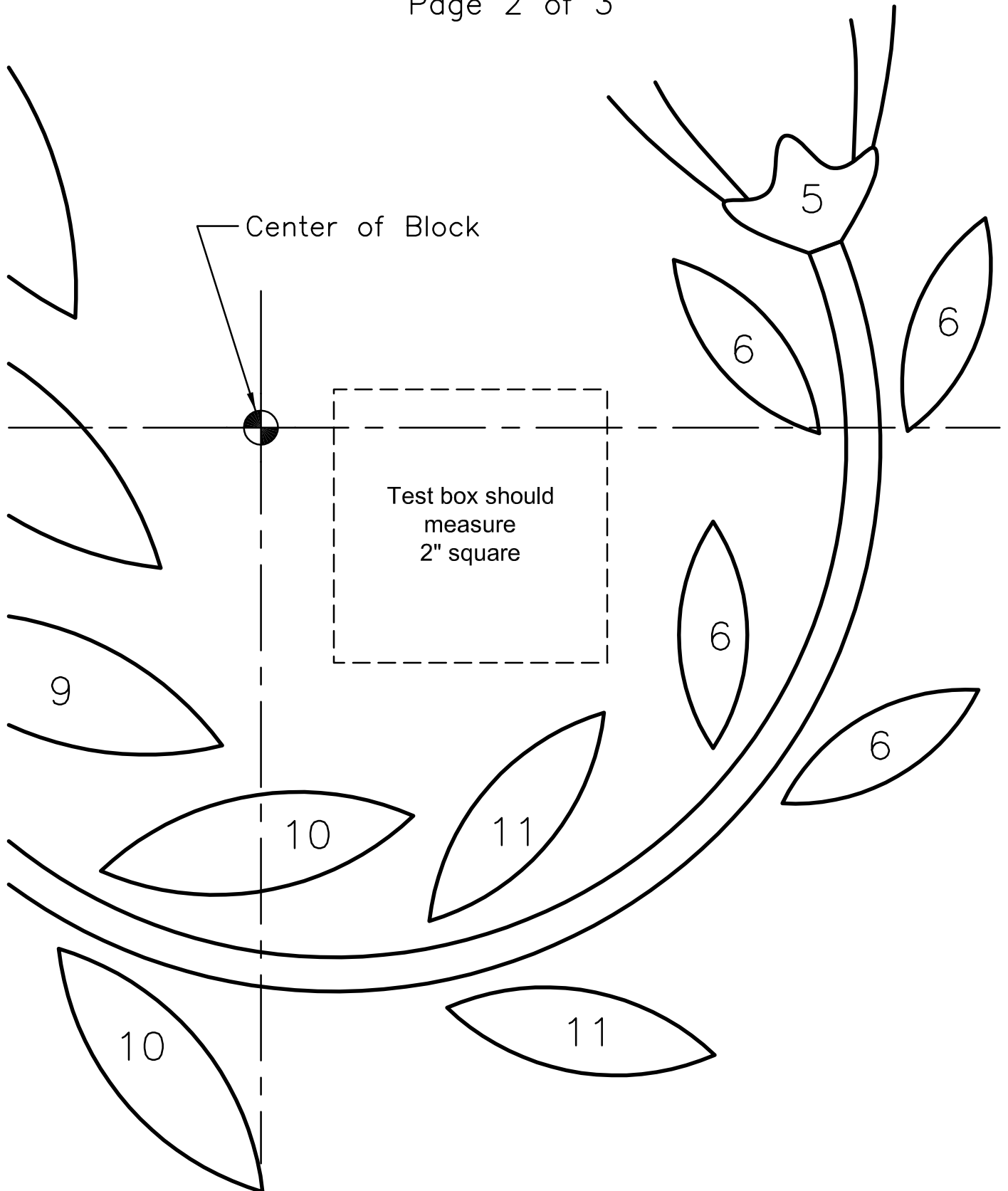


Test box should
measure
2" square

Center of Block

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