

## **Block of the Month for March 2009**

The unfinished block will measure 12 ½ inches square.

You will need to add a ¼ inch seam allowance around all pattern pieces.



**Please read instructions before starting your block!!**

Trace the pattern onto the matte side of freezer paper. If you do not have freezer paper you could use computer paper. Iron the freezer paper pattern to the right side of fabric then cut making sure you have added the ¼ inch seam allowance. To trace pattern onto freezer paper hold it up to a window by hand or tape or ideally use a light box.

### **Large Tree**

Join background to tree starting at the bottom of the tree making sure you have a “dog ear” to allow for ¼ in. seam allowance and a straight edge after sewn together (see illustration on pattern sheet #3). Press towards tree. Sew on other side starting at the bottom of tree again making a “dog ear” this makes a nice point and gives you a ¼ inch seam allowance at the top of tree. This unit should measure 6 ½ “X 9 ½ “at this point.

### **Small Tree**

Join background #1 to tree #2 join at the **asterisks**. (Bottom of background will extend slightly beyond the bottom of the tree). Start seam at the top of the tree again leaving a “dog ear”. Press towards tree. Join background #3 starting at the top again. Trim tails at bottom of the tree. This unit will also measure 6 ½ “X 9 ½ “.

Join trees starting from the bottom of the trees. I pressed this seam open. This rectangle should measure 12 ½” X 9 ½”.

### **Trunk**

Join a lower background to each side of a trunk, matching center seams. Press towards trunk. Join the two units and press seam open. This rectangle should measure 12 ½” X 3 ¾”. Join trunks to trees. Square up block to 12 ½ x 12 ½ .

I hope you enjoy making this block. If you have any questions please call me, Barbara Cortelyou.

Pattern  
Sheet #1

Large Tree

Background

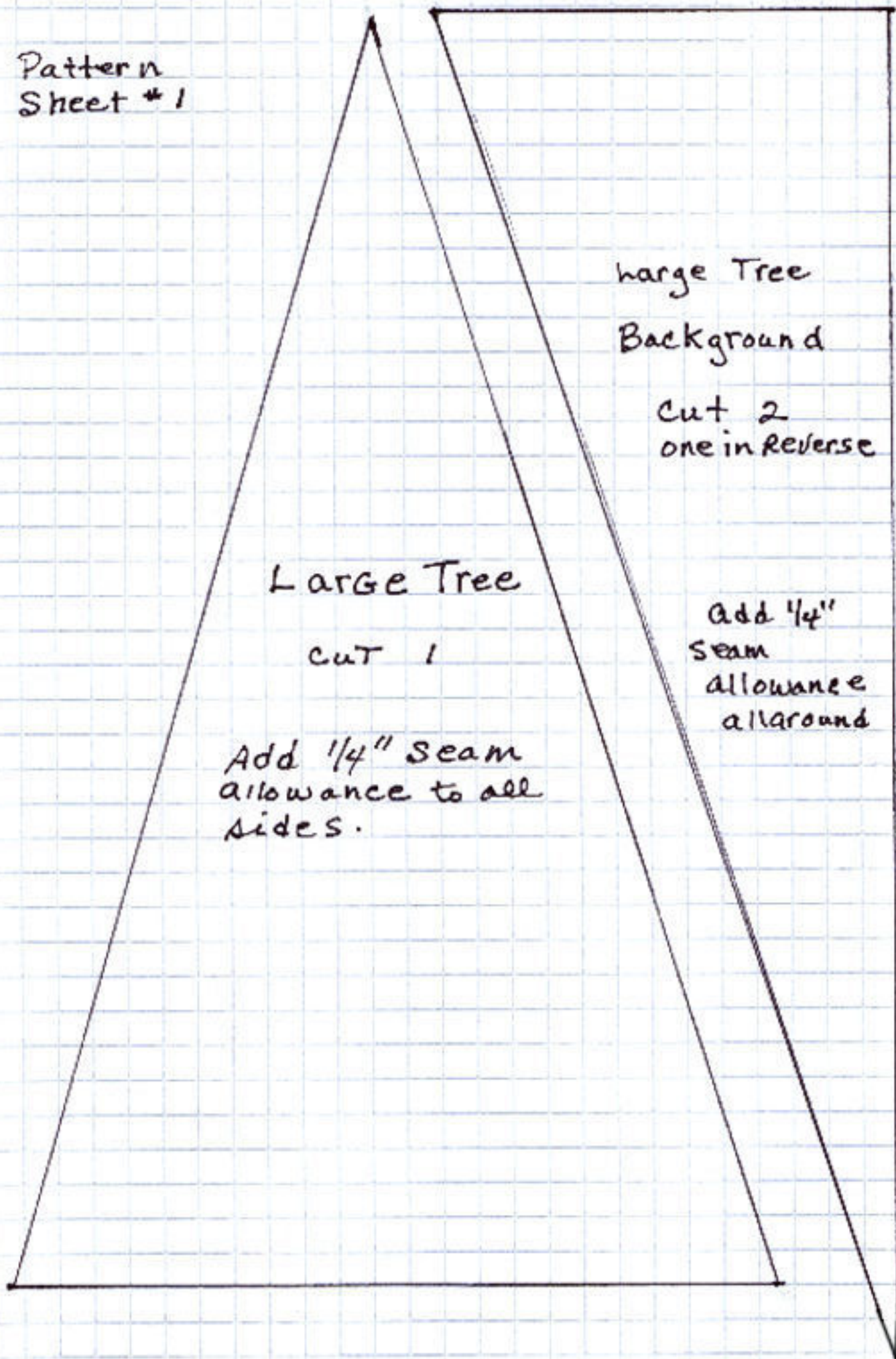
Cut 2  
one in reverse

Large Tree

Cut 1

Add  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam  
allowance to all  
sides.

Add  $\frac{1}{4}$ "  
seam  
allowance  
all around



Pattern Sheet #2

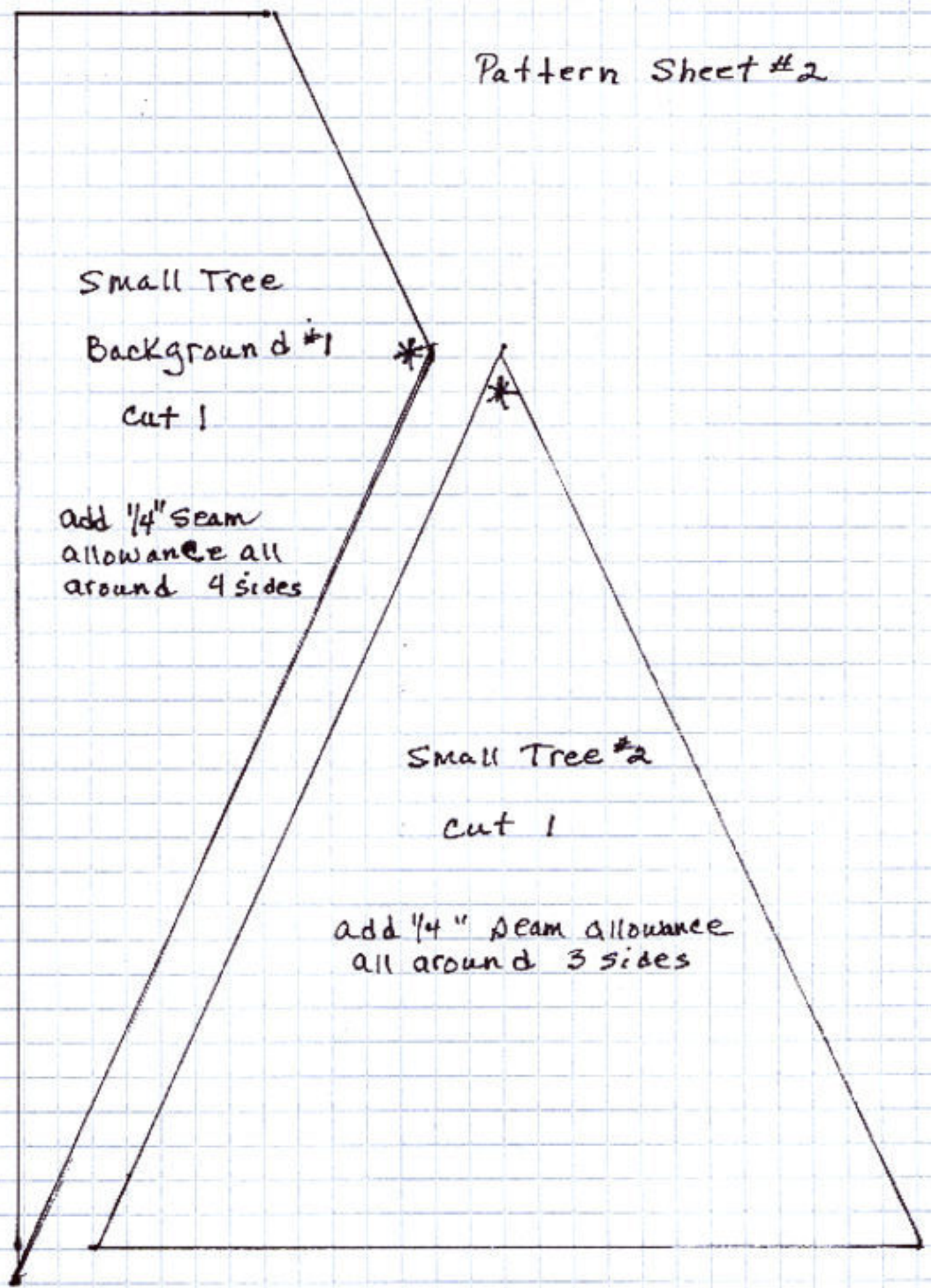
Small Tree  
Background #1  
cut 1

add 1/4" seam  
allowance all  
around 4 sides



Small Tree #2  
cut 1

add 1/4" seam allowance  
all around 3 sides



Pattern Sheet #3

Small Tree #3  
Background

cut 1

add  $\frac{1}{4}$ " Seam  
allowance all  
around 3 sides

Trunk Unit

Trunk - cut 2 pcs  $1\frac{3}{4}$ " X  $3\frac{3}{4}$ "

Lower Background - cut 4 pcs.  
 $3$ " X  $3\frac{3}{4}$ "

