

June's Blocks~ Cone flowers, Dragonflies and Bumblebees

White or Cream background fabric

1930's fabric red, orange, yellow, blue, green, purple
(or colors of your choice)

Scrap fabrics in the following colors: two greens, purple, blue, black
Yellow, brown and pink

Heat n bond lite

Dark brown thread for appliqué (or colors of your choice)

Scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam throughout

unless noted. Block with seam allowance will measure $12 \frac{1}{2}$ " square.

~Let's start with the dragonfly block~

From Cream Background fabric:

Cut 1 – $6 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $12 \frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle

Cut 8 – $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " squares

From each 1930" s fabric:

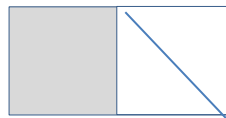
Cut 1 – $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $6 \frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle of each fabric (red, orange, yellow and blue)

Or colors of your choice

- Draw a diagonal line on the back of each $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " square.



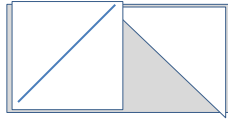
- With right sides together, align one marked square with one edge of the $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " x $6 \frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle as shown.



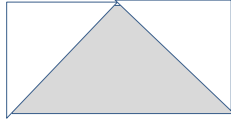
- Trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " beyond the stitching line. Press.



- With right sides together, align one marked square on the other end of the $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ rectangle. Stitch on the diagonal line.



- Trim $\frac{1}{4}''$ beyond the stitching line. Press. One flying geese unit done. Repeat with the remaining $3\frac{1}{3}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$ rectangles for a total of 4 flying geese rectangles are done.



- Stitch the four rectangles together. This should measure $12\frac{1}{2}'' \times 6\frac{1}{2}''$
- Then with right sides together stitch the cream $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$ rectangle to the flying geese rectangle sewing along the long side. Press. Finished block measurements $12\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$

Make a total of 1 dragonfly coneflower block.

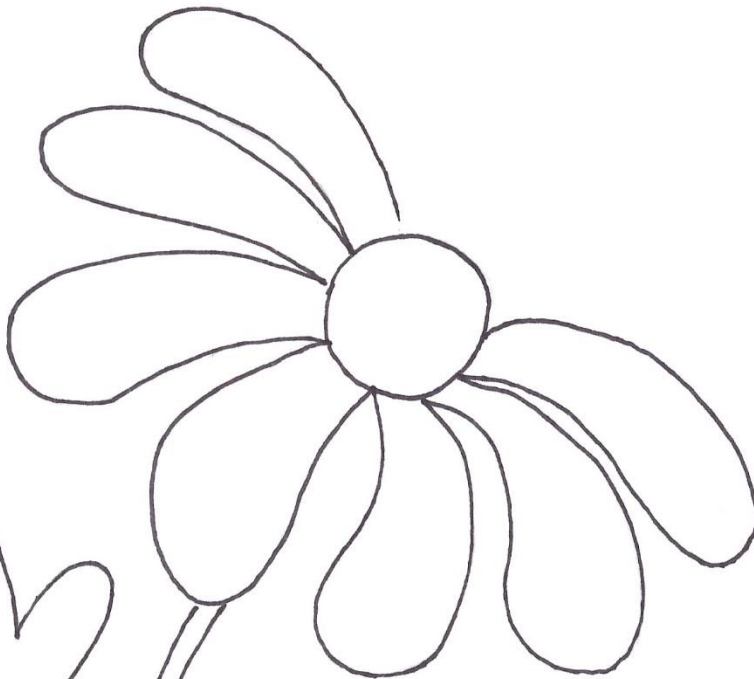
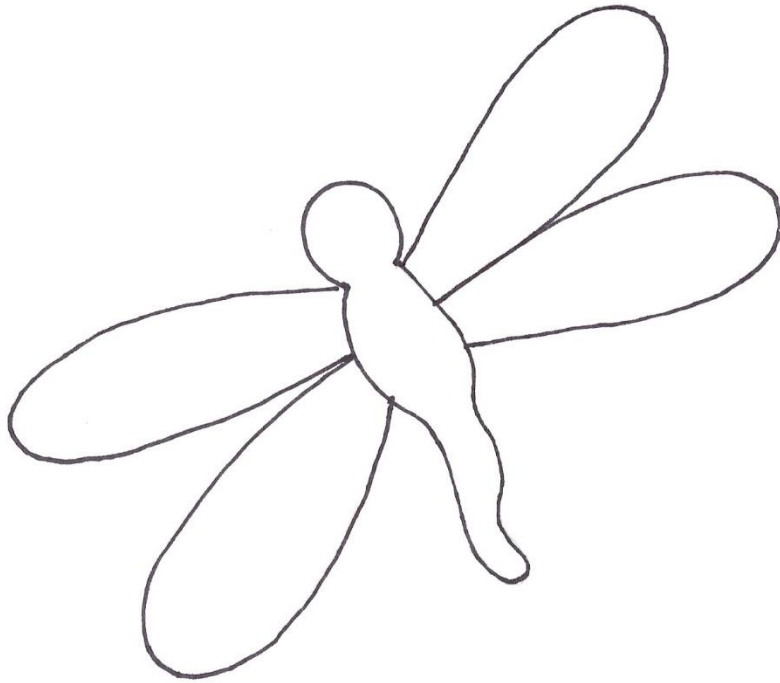
Dragonfly Coneflower Applique Designs: Following the instructions provided by the fusible web manufacturer, trace 1 set of the design pieces grouping together pieces that will be using the same fabric. Cut pieces out. Follow the pattern placement sheet, center on cream/white section on the block following the picture and pattern placement sheet. Iron in place. Using a blanket, zig zag or satin stitch on your sewing machine; sew along the edges of all the pieces. Following the design picture. Practice on some scrap material if you are new to machine appliqué. If you prefer hand stitching, you can do a blanket stitch using pearl cotton. Embroider bee's antennae and stinger using black pearl cotton or floss.

To make the dimensional bumble bee wings, trace the wings on to 1 half of cream fabric. With right sides together, sew on the traced line. Carefully cut a $\frac{1}{2}''$ slit on one side of the 'wings' towards the center of the oval, and turn right side out, iron. Gather the center and sew in place on the bumble bee. I recommend attaching the wings to the bumblebee after the quilt has been quilted.

Embroidered blocks: If you prefer to embroider all your blocks instead of applique. Trace the design onto the cream/white triangle section using the pattern placement sheet. Embroider using pearl cotton in colors of your choice using a backstitch, French knots and other stitches that you prefer.

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**Pattern Placement for
Dragonfly Coneflower design
Trace for embroidery**



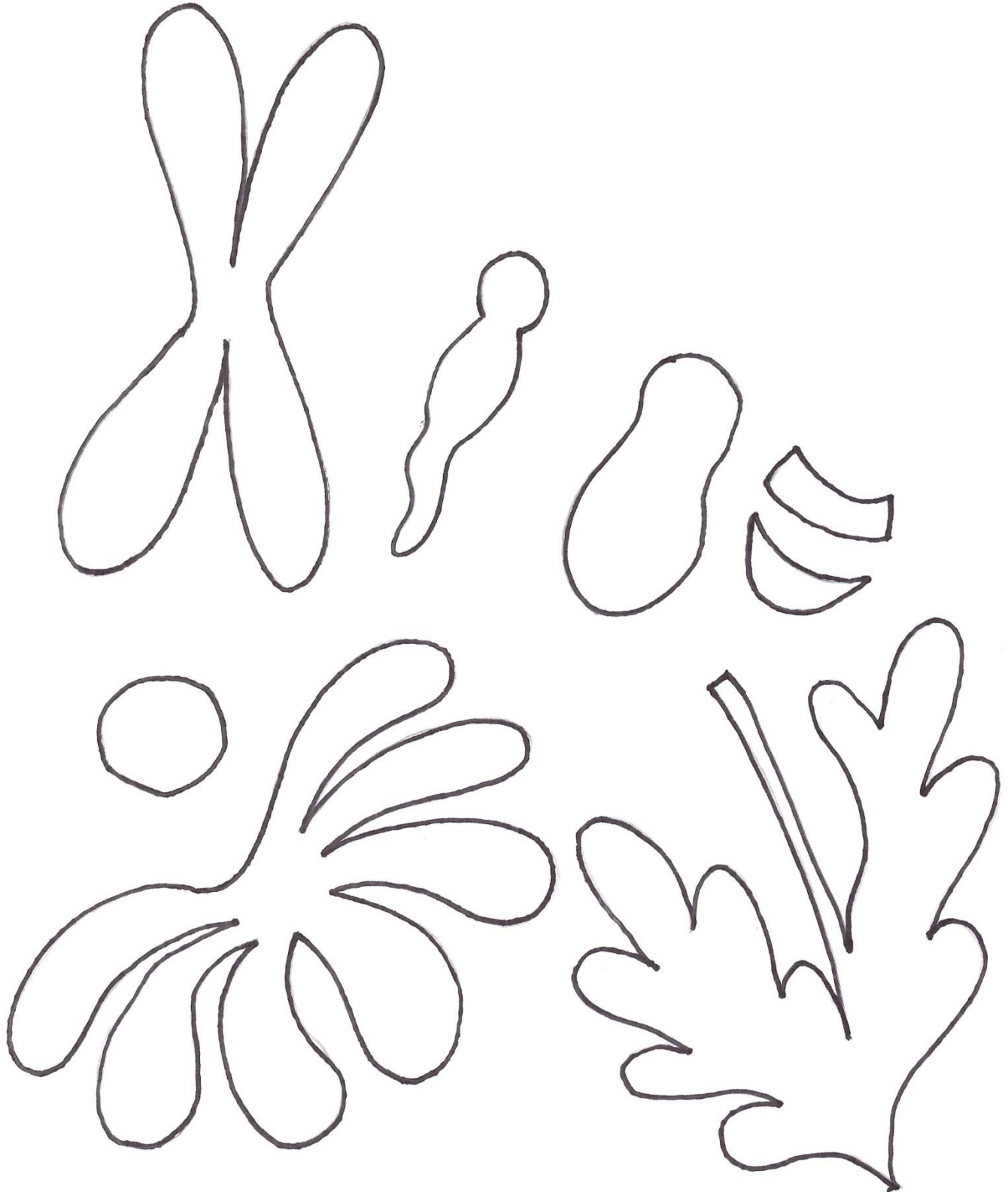
Stem- light green
Leaves- light green
Dragonfly wings- dark green
Dragonfly body- blue
Coneflower – light purple
Coneflower center- brown
Bee body- black
Bee stripes- yellow

(or colors of your choice)



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Dragonfly Coneflower design pieces
Remember all pieces are in reverse.



~Let's start with the bumble bee block~

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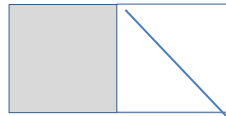
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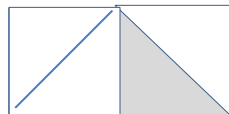
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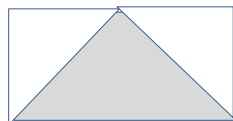
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Make a total of 1 bumblebee coneflower block.

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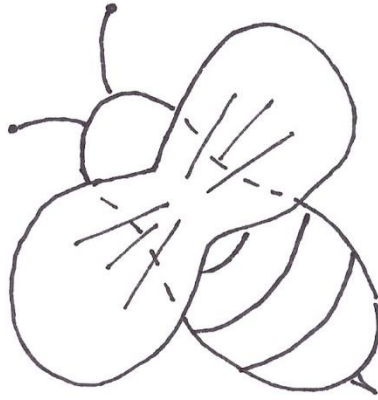
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Wings -

Trace



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