

## The Met Gala

By Patti Carey of Patti's Patchwork for *Quilt Block Mania July 2025* 



Finished Size: 12" square (12½" edge-to-edge)

Skill level: Intermediate

**Fabrics used:** Toscana suede-look texture and Canvas texture by Northcott Label pieces as indicated in the cutting chart for ease of construction.

Fabric	Cutting Instructions
A – dress skirt (#9020-21 pinky swear)	♦ Use for odd-numbered sections in Paper-pieced skirt section
<b>B</b> – contrast (#9030-28 hot pink)	♦ Cut 1 piece each using Template 1 & 4, and 2 pieces using Template 2.
	♦ Use for even-numbered sections in Paper-pieced skirt section
<b>C</b> – background (#9030-10 whitewash)	♦ Cut 1 piece using Template 3*

<sup>\*</sup> Join the (3) Template 3 sections prior to cutting Template 3 from Fabric C

Previous foundation paper-piecing knowledge is recommended. If you are unfamiliar with foundation paper-piecing, there is a great tutorial by The Weekend Quilter at <a href="https://the-weekendquilter.com/blogs/blog/foundations-of-foundation-paper-piecing">https://the-weekendquilter.com/blogs/blog/foundations-of-foundation-paper-piecing</a>

**General Piecing:** All seams are ¼" unless noted.

- 1. Join the 2 Paper-pieced skirt sections and trim %" beyond outer line on all edges. Starting with #1 section, fill the section with Fabric A. Use Fabric B for the #2 section, then A for #3, then B for #4 and so on, using A for #5, #7, #9 and #11 and B for #6, #8 and #10. Trim skirt section along outer edges but do not remove paper.
- **2.** Sew the curved edge of the Template 3 Fabric C piece to the outer curved edge of the skirt section, matching mid-points and keeping edges aligned. **Tip:** Sew with C on top.
- **3.** Press under ¼" on curved edge of Template 4 Fabric A piece. Lay pressed edge on inner curved edge of skirt section, aligning ends and having pressed edge along seam line of skirt section. Invisibly machine-stitch in place.
- **4.** Press under ¼" on curved edge of Template 2 pieces. Pin in opposite corners of background piece, aligning edges with edge of C. Baste ½" from raw outer edges and invisibly machine-stitch curved edge in place.
- 5. Press under ¼" on curved edges of Template 1 Fabric A piece, clipping seam allowance at inner point to

allow pressed-under edge to lay flat. Pin in remaining corner of background piece, aligning straight edges with edge of C. Baste %" from raw outer edges and invisibly machine-stitch curved edge in place.

The magic of this block take place when several blocks are set in an on-point layout – ballgowns appear!

Choose a variety of colors for the ballgowns.

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