



# Thunder & Lightning

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

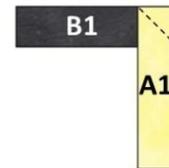
**Skill level:** Intermediate

**Fabrics used:** Toscana suede-look texture by Northcott

Fabric	Cutting Instructions
<b>A</b> –lightning bolt (#9020-50 lemon meringue)	◇ Cut (8) 1" x 7" pieces ( <b>A2</b> ) and (7) 1" x 3¾" pieces ( <b>A1</b> )
<b>B</b> – darkest sky (#9020-97 graphite)	◇ Cut 3 pieces using Template ( <b>B2</b> ) and (3) 1" x 4" pieces ( <b>B1</b> )
<b>C</b> –medium sky (#9020-95 evening shadow)	◇ Cut 3 pieces using Template ( <b>C2</b> ) and (2) 1" x 4" pieces ( <b>C1</b> )
<b>D</b> – lightest sky (#9020-93 going grey)	◇ Cut 3 pieces using Template ( <b>D2</b> ) and (3) 1" x 4" pieces ( <b>D1</b> )

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

1. Select the B1 pieces and (2) A1 pieces. Lay an A1 face down on end of one B1 and sew diagonally from corner to corner; press seam toward A.



2. Lay a B1 face down on opposite end of A1; sew diagonally as above and press seam toward A.

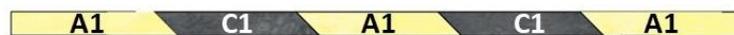


3. Continue, adding A1 then B1.



4. Repeat with remaining A1 pieces and the C1 and D1 pieces to make 2 rows as follows:

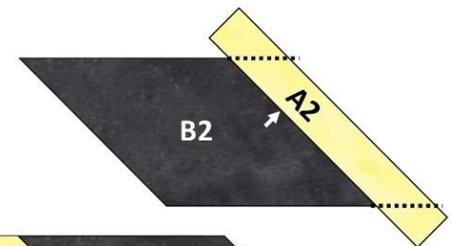
A1-C1-A1-C1-A1



D1-A1-D1-A1-D1



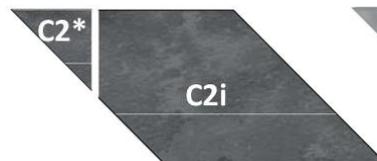
5. Select the B2 pieces and (2) A2 pieces. With A on top, center and sew A2 to one bias edge of (2) B2 pieces; finger-press seam toward A. Trim ends of A in line with B as shown.



6. Sew units and remaining B2 piece into a row, gently pressing seams toward A.

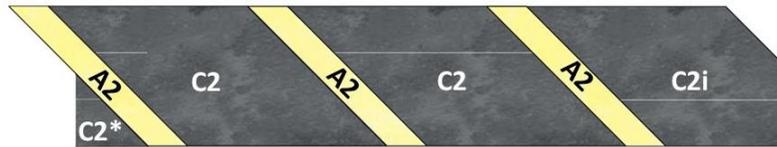


7. Measuring in 3" from top left edge, cut (1) C2 and (1) D2 into 2 pieces as shown.

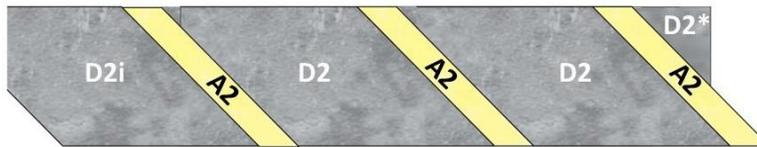


8. Repeat step 6 with the remaining A2 pieces and the C2 and D2 pieces to make 2 rows as follows:

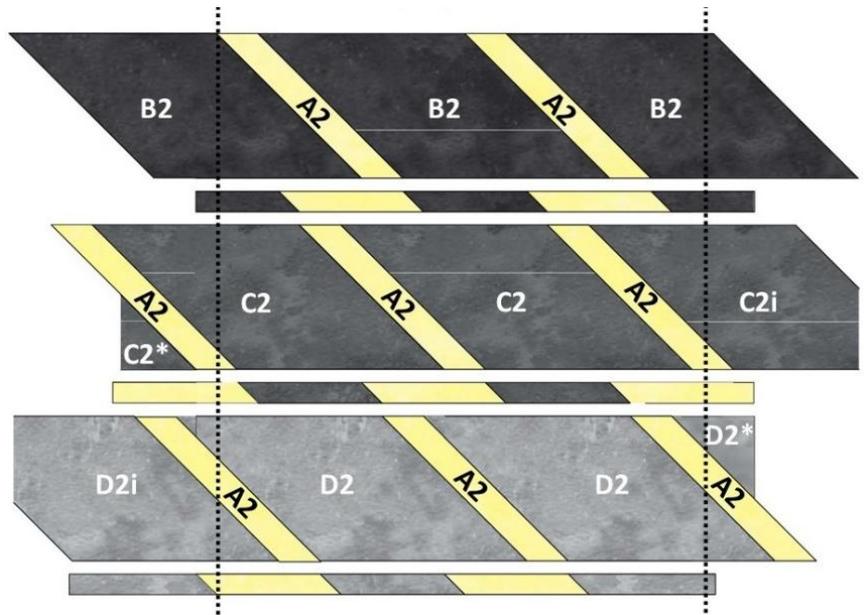
A2-C2-A2-C2-A2



D2-A2-D2-A2-D2-A2



8. Arrange the units from steps 3, 4, 6 and 7 into 6 rows as shown. Matching seams along seam line, sew together. Note that the units will NOT align at each end! Press seams toward A1 rows.



9. Trim block to 12½" square.



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