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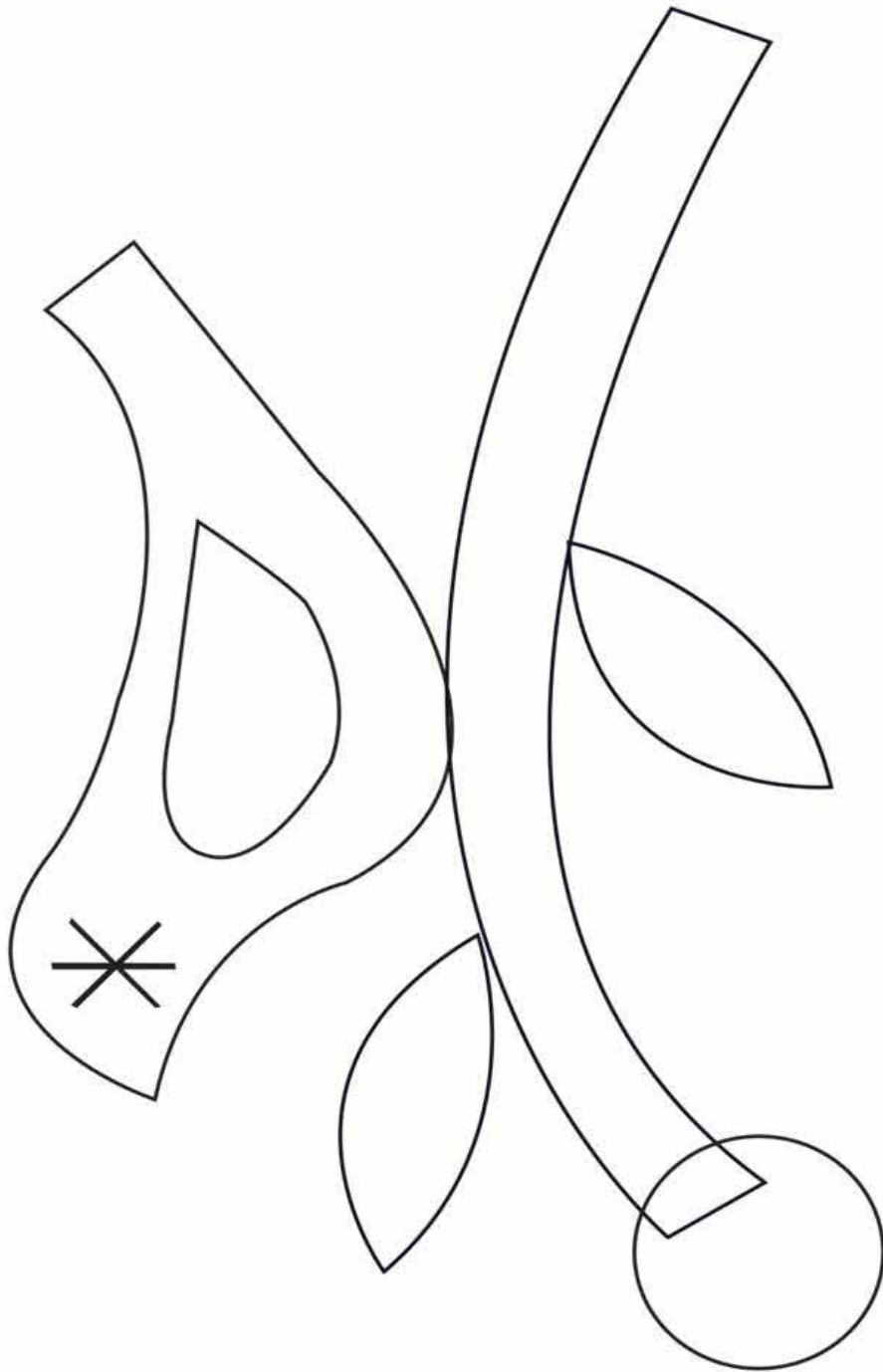
## BH4 Block 14 - Bird On A Branch

By Jan Patek

On an 9½" x 9½" or 5" x 5" background, appliqué the pieces using your preferred method.

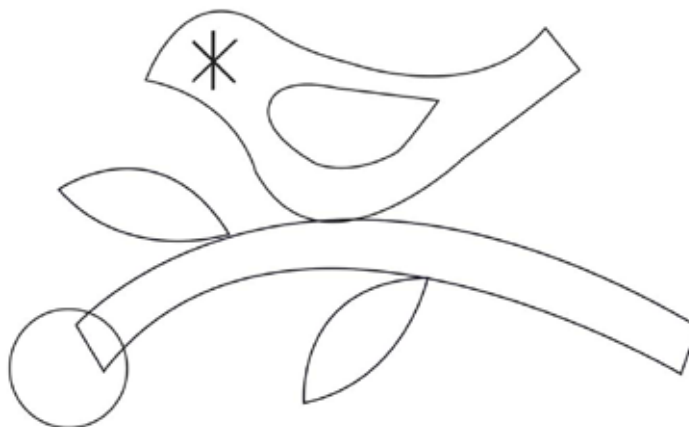
- Pieces are shown at size, and for placement. For needleturn appliqué, add a ¼" seam allowance. For fusible appliqué, reverse the image.

### 9" Finished Block

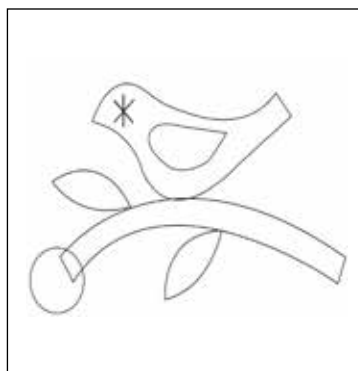


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4½" Finished Block



Placement Guide



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**Stitching with Jan...**

- The quilting tip I wish I'd learned first started is... how to turn under points. I love stars and use them in my quilts, so when I mastered this, it made life so much easier.
- My best advice to new quilters is to... "relax"! This isn't rocket science. If you make a mistake, nothing is going to explode. There's always a way to fix it - that's what seam rippers are for.
- When it comes to quilting/sewing tools, don't get between me and my... sandpaper board and my chalk pencils. I place my appliqué patterns on the sandpaper board and use Sewline pencils to draw around the pattern because they give you a firm, thin line around the pattern. This is the stitching line when you appliqué the piece to the background.
- Don't tell anyone, but when I'm sewing, I don't worry about... much of anything. What I love most about appliqué is the fact that by the time you get to the sewing part most of your work is done. You just follow the line and stitch. (I made a series of videos on the different aspects of appliqué and how I deal with them.)
- My "rock-star stitch group" includes... the members of my Girl Gang. Amy Gertz, Marie Boyle & Terri Luther. Before Covid, we met once a month and stitched and talked and ate. We're hoping to get back at it again soon.

**Keeping up with Jan...**

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