Pocketful of Dreams Mini Quilt
A Foundation Pieced Design
Skill Level: Intermediate

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This endearing spring mini-quilt is not for Easter only. Use Pellon® Stitch-N-Tear® Lite to foundation piece the bunny block. Run the Stitch-N-Tear® Lite through your ink jet printer to create the foundations for the blocks. 'Pocketful of Dreams' measures 12-1/2" square and fits perfectly on Ackfeld's 12" x 14" table stand*.

Fabrics Needed

Ear fabric	One fat quarter
Face fabric	One fat quarter
Background	One fat quarter
Border	1/4 yard
Piping	One fat eighth
Backing and hanging sleeve	One 13" square and one 2" x 11-1/2" rectangle
Binding	1/8 yard

Materials Needed

Pellon® 835 Stitch-N-Tear® Lite	Two 8-1/2" x 12" rectangles
Pellon® TP971F Fusible Thermolam® Plus	One 13" square
Pellon® 805 Wonder-Under®	Small amount
Thread	

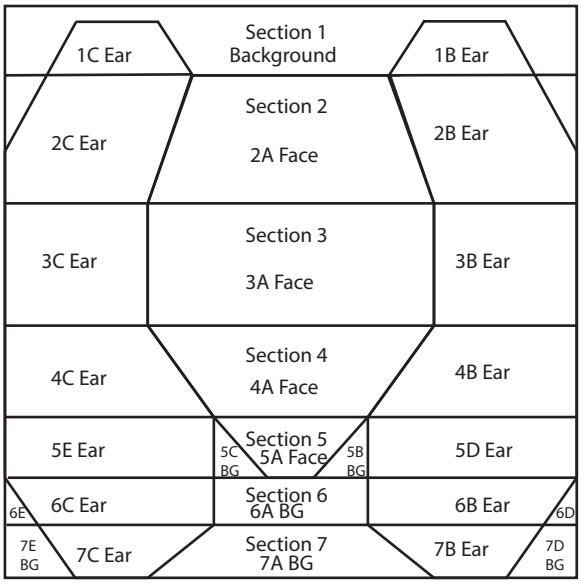
Tools Needed

Sewing machine and related supplies
Rotary cutter and related supplies

*Available at your local quilt shop or through www.artbyalexa.com

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BG = Background

Cut pieces as follows and place them in piles so the right piece can be found easily:

Section 1		
Ear	Pieces 1B and 1C	Cut two 3-1/4" x 1-1/4" rectangles
Section 2		
Face	Piece 2A	Cut one 2-3/8" x 4-3/4" rectangle
Ear	Pieces 2B and 2C	Cut two 4" x 3-3/8" rectangles
Section 3		
Face	Piece 3A	Cut one 4-5/8" x 2-1/4" rectangle
Ear	Pieces 3B and 3C	Cut two 2-5/8" x 2-1/4" rectangles
Section 4		
Face	Piece 4A	Cut one 5" x 1-7/8" rectangle
Ear	Pieces 4B and 4C	Cut two 3-3/4" x 1-7/8" rectangles
Section 5		
Face	Piece 5A	Cut one 3-1/8" x 1-3/8" rectangle
Background	Pieces 5B and 5C	Cut two 1-3/4" x 1-1/2" rectangles
Ear	Pieces 5D and 5E	Cut two 3-1/2" x 1-3/8" rectangles
Section 6		
Background	Piece 6A	Cut one 1-1/4" x 2-3/4" rectangle
Ear	Pieces 6B and 6C	Cut two 3-1/2" x 1-1/4" rectangles
Background	Pieces 6D and 6E	Cut two 1-1/2" x 1-3/4" rectangles
Section 7		
Background	Piece 7A	Cut one 5-1/4" x 1-1/4" rectangle
Ear	Pieces 7B and 7C	Cut two 3-1/2" x 1-1/4" rectangles
Background	Pieces 7D and 7E	Cut two 2-1/4" x 1-1/4" rectangles
Facing - Ear fabric		Cut one 6" x 8-3/4" rectangle
Background		Cut one fabric G 8-3/4" square
Piping		Cut four 1" x 8-3/4" strips
Border		Cut two 2-5/8" x 8-3/4" rectangles
		Cut two 2-5/8" x 13" rectangles
Hanging sleeves (use backing fabric)		Cut one 2" x 11-1/2" rectangle



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Assembly Instructions

Set stitching length to 1.5 for all foundation stitching.

Cut two 8-1/2" x 12" rectangles of Stitch-N-Tear® Lite. Press the Stitch-N-Tear® Lite 8-1/2" x 12" rectangles until they lay completely flat.



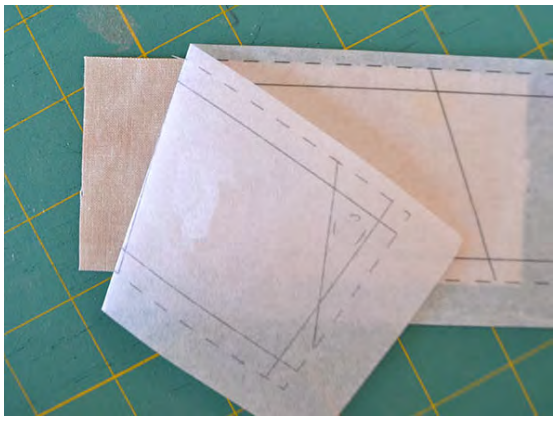
Print one sheet at a time. Print one copy of each of the two template pages. Make sure the printer is printing at 100%. Check gauge.

Cut the foundation sections apart. Cut outside the dashed lines. There will be extra foundation around the dashed lines for each section.

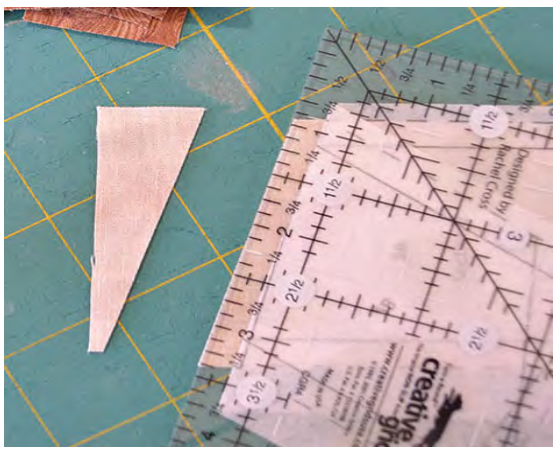
NOTE: All printable foundation sheets have been preset to print at a lighter tone (40% gray scale) to avoid any ink transfer from the Stitch-N-Tear® Lite to fabric if moistened.

Place both section 1 foundations face down. Center piece 1B and 1C right side up over their corresponding places on the foundation. Pin in place or place a dab of temporary glue in the corners to hold the fabric on the foundation. Turn the foundation face up. Trim all seams to the dashed lines. Set aside.

Place section 2 foundation face down. Center piece 2A right side up over the corresponding place on the foundaton. Pin in place. Turn the foundation face up. Fold the foundation on the stitch line between 2A and 2B or 2C.



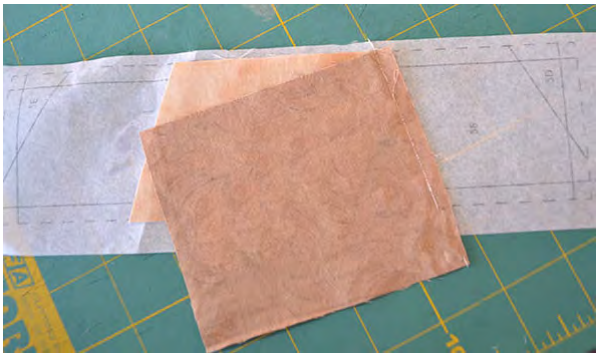
Trim seam allowance to 1/4". Repeat with other angled seam line on 2A.



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Place piece 2B right sides together with piece 2A, aligning the raw edge as shown. Turn foundation face up and stitch on the seam line between 2A and 2B. Open piece 2B and press.



Place piece 2C right sides together with piece 2A, aligning the raw edge as shown. Turn foundation face up and stitch on the seam line between 2A and 2C. Open piece 2C and press.



Turn foundation face up. Trim all sides on the dashed lines.

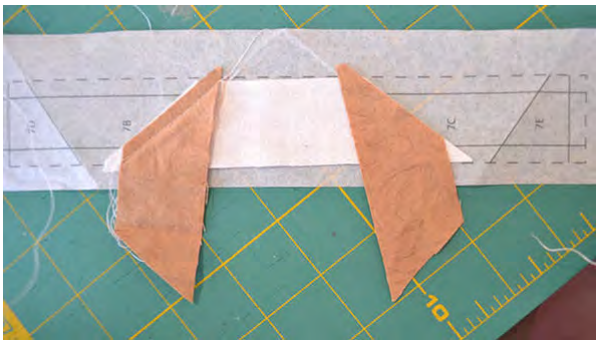
Repeat these steps with sections 3 through 6, folding foundations back and trimming seam allowances to 1/4" when necessary before stitching. Press all pieces as they are added.



For section 7, it is easier to prepare all the pieces before stitching any of them down to the foundation. Place piece 7A on the foundation, trim, then remove. Repeat with the rest of the pieces.

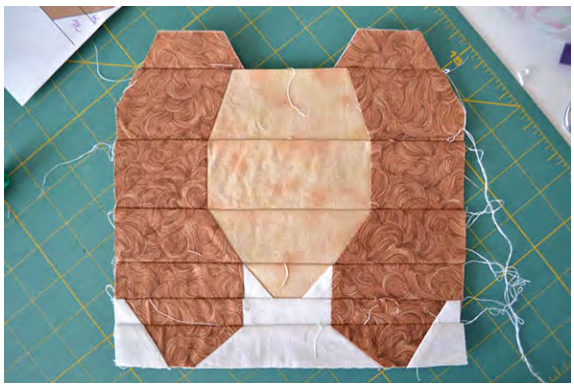


Sew all the pieces down to the foundation from 7A through 7E. Press each piece as it is added. Turn foundation face up and trim on all dashed lines.



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Sew the sections together following the seam line on the foundation and matching points. Press all rows towards the bottom of the block except the seams between section 1 and section 2. Press those two seams up.

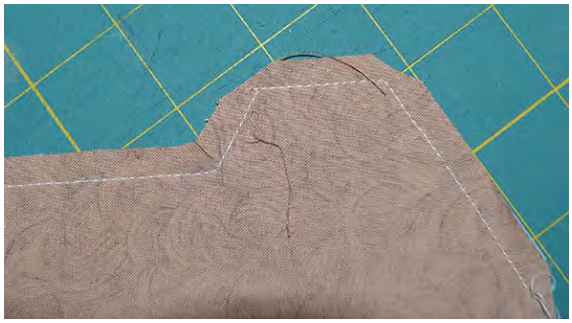


To prepare the facing, fold in 1/4" on one 8-3/4" side of the 6" X 8-3/4" facing rectangle and press. Stitch the folded edge. Place the facing right sides together with the top of the block aligning the raw edges as shown. With the foundation face up, stitch along the seam line on piece 2C, 1C, 2A, 1B, and 2B, pivoting at all points.



Trim the excess fabric along the dashed lines of the foundation. Clip the two inner points, being careful not to go through the stitched seam.

Turn the facing right side out. Poke out the corners. Press.



Trace the face pieces on page 7 onto the paper side of the Wonder-Under®. Place the fusible side of the Wonder-Under® on the wrong side of fabric pieces and iron. Cut out all pieces of the eyes, nose, mouth and teeth. Remove the paper backing and place the pieces on the block. Fuse following manufacturer's instructions. The center of the eyes can be appliqued or drawn in with a fabric marker.

Using a short stitch, machine applique around each fused piece. The lines on the mouth, teeth, and whiskers may be drawn, machine stitched or hand embroidered.



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Place the 8-3/4" square background behind the block. Baste the edges together. If a dark background is used with light ears, the background square may be trimmed to the same length as the facing so the dark does not show through the light ears. The top of the background square will extend 1/2" above the ears. Stitch the two outer angled sides of the ears that extend from piece 1B to 2B and 1C to 2C. Do not stitch across the top of the ear, nor the center of the head of the bunny.

Stitch across the block on the seam line between sections 3 and 4. This creates the pocket. If a shorter pocket is desired, stitch across the seam line between sections 2 and 3 instead of 3 and 4.



To create the piping, fold the piping strips in half lengthwise with the wrong sides together. Press. Place one piping strip on the top of the front of the block, aligning the raw edges. Stitching using a 1/4" seam allowance. Repeat this step with the bottom of the block, then stitch one piping strip to the left and right sides.



Place one 2-5/8" x 8-3/4" border rectangle on each side of the block, right sides together. Stitch using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seams towards the border rectangles.

Repeat this step with the top and bottom 2-5/8" x 13" rectangles.

Cut one 13" square of backing. Cut one 13" square of Thermolam® Plus. Place the fusible side of the Thermolam® Plus against the wrong side of the backing square. Fuse following manufacturer's instructions.



Place the block right side up on the Thermolam® Plus. Baste in place with pins or basting stitches.

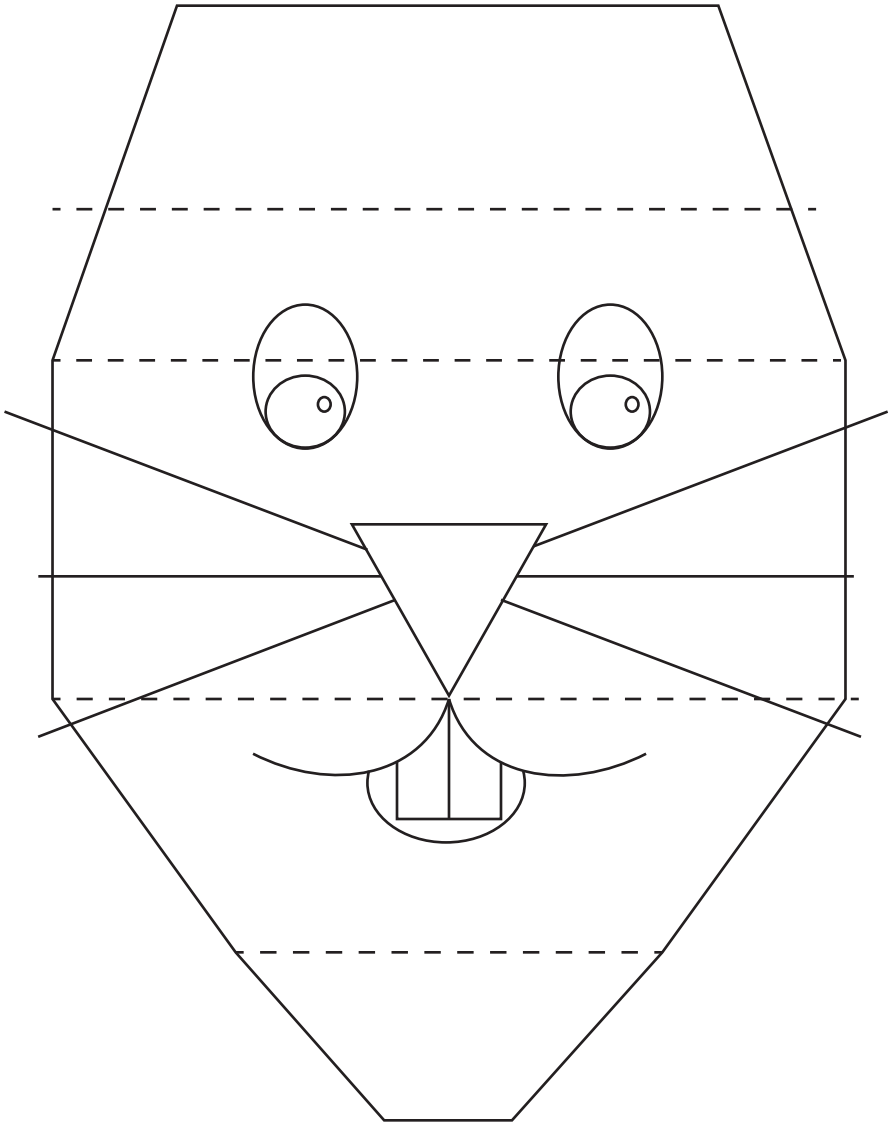
Quilt as desired but be careful not to quilt on top of the pocket area.

Fold the hanging sleeve in half wrong sides together and press. Turn the ends in 1/4" and stitch. Place the hanging sleeve on the back of the mini-quilt with the raw edges aligned with the top of the quilt. Baste in place using a 1/8" seam allowance.

Make binding. Sew on binding.

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Templates and placement for the applique face.

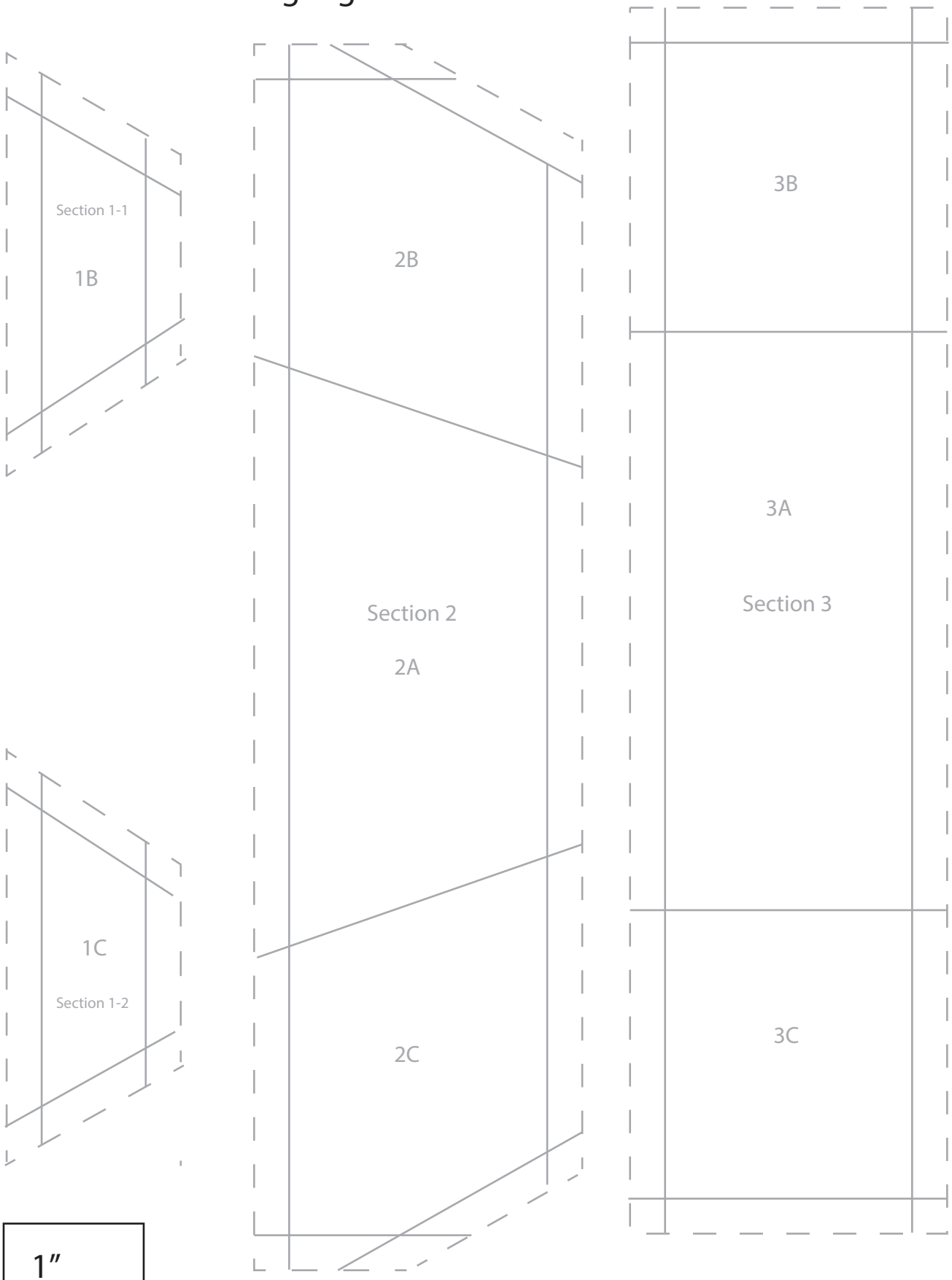


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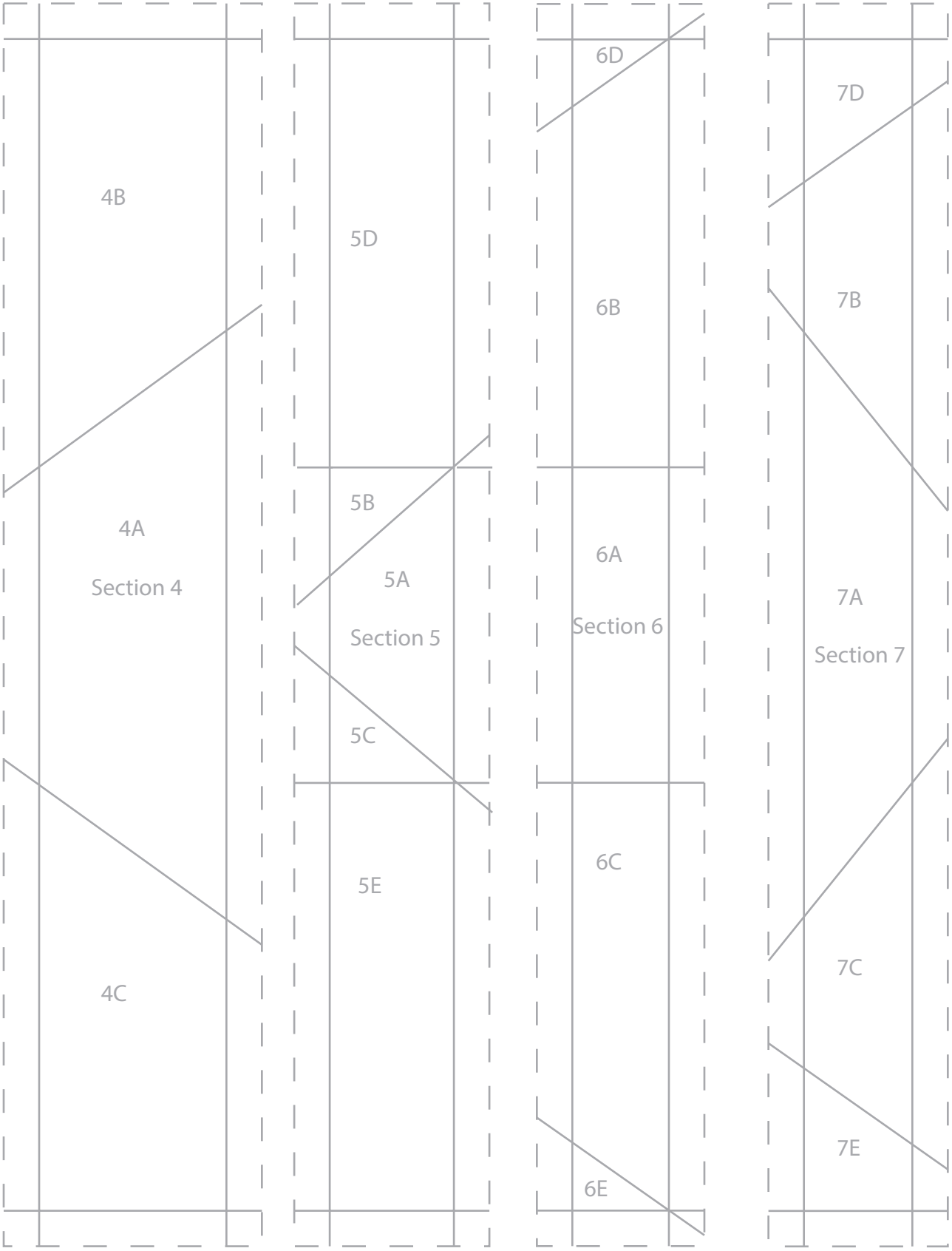
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