

Amanda Jane Textiles

21 You now have five rows. Join them together with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " (6mm) seam, matching the vertical seams. Try to ensure that when you stitch, the top seam allowances face forwards and the seam allowances underneath face backwards, so the joins are not too bulky.



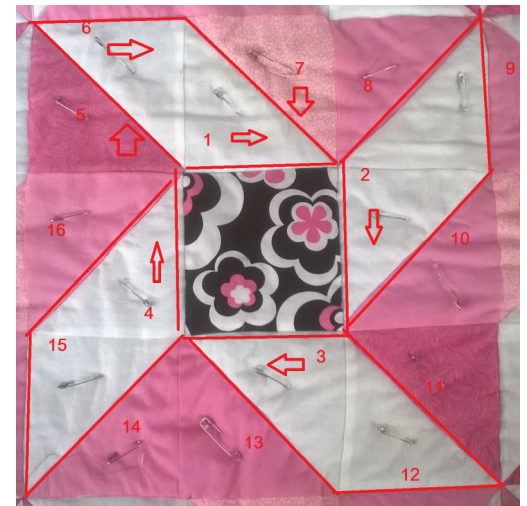
22 **To layer the quilt:** Cut wadding and backing fabric bigger on each edge than your quilt top (say, 2" or 50mm). Place the backing on a flat surface with the right side (patterned side) facing downwards, place the wadding down next and finally the finished quilt top, with its right side facing you.



23 Secure the three layers together, with safety pins or with rows of tacking stitches, no more than 4" (10cm) apart.



24 **To quilt:** Starting with a block near the centre of the third row, stitch round the square at the centre of the block. Then around the white 'windmill arms' either by hand or by machine. Work outwards, one block at a time. If you have stitched on the machine, you will need to pull the threads to the back and finish them off neatly by stitching them into the quilt.



25 Measure the quilt in each direction, to ensure that it is rectangular and trim excess fabric from the edges with a rotary cutter.

