## What is English Paper Piecing?

\*A hand-sewing piecing technique using paper (as in English <u>Paper</u> Piecing) as a form about which fabric is basted, then sewn together.

\*A great technique for those wanting precision but lacking other skills (cutting, precise piecing, etc.)

\* A fantastic way to piece while traveling

## Equipment You Probably Already Have:

- Thread: cotton, cotton/poly, etc.
- Rotary Cutter
- Rulers
- Cutting Mat
- Fabric (I know you have it!)
- Small zippered cases
- Pin cushion
- Seam Ripper (may you need this very little)
- Thimble
- Thread scissors or thread cutter

- Paper clips (optional)
- Straight Pins
- Wax
- Magnet (find stray needles)

## **Specialized Equipment:**

- Hand sewing needles: #10's or #12 hand applique
- Needle threader
- Silk Thread
- Fabric glue pen
- Wonder Clips
- Paper piecing shapes
- Coupon or Accordion File (according to project size)

## Key References & Websites:

- www.paperpieces.com
- Quilting On the Go by Jessica Alexandrakis [\$10.49 -- \$15.96 at Amazon.com and LifeUnderQuilts.blogspot.com
- "Hexagon Flower Basic Techniques & Cutting Guide" from Cotton & Chocolate Quilt Company in Thousand Oaks, CA: \$5.00

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