

- Benefits of Paper Piecing:
 - Very accurate piecing
 - Can be very detailed
 - Get shapes you can't achieve with regular piecing
- Start with a good pattern. Things to look for in a good pattern:
 - Start simple
 - Should have 1" sizing guide
 - Should have piecing directions
 - Should have pieces with quarter inch around edges
- Tools:
 - Paper – can use normal paper, but I prefer [newspaper print paper](#). During the meeting we got a tip about Foundation Paper which does not need to be removed!
 - Pins
 - Small cutting mat
 - Rotary Cutter
 - Paper Scissors
 - Seam Ripper
 - Thread – use lighter weight thread with smaller piecing
 - Machine Foot – I like to use my clear foot, but any foot where you can watch your lines works.
 - Machine, Iron, Ironing Board
 - Ruler. I prefer the [Add A Quarter Ruler](#) and I have in 6" and 12". They also have an Add an Eighth Ruler for smaller paper piecing
 - Optional:
 - [Lightbox](#)
 - Glue
 - Stiletto
 - Tweezers
 - Wonderclips
 - [Mini Iron](#) & Small Ironing mat
 - Tailors Clapper
- Tips:
 - Use a coloring sheet to plan if it is provided
 - Mark your colors on your paper
 - Sew with 2.0 stitch length or lower. The smaller the piecing the shorter the stitch you want.
 - Pull paper from quarter inch seams as you join pieces together based on how you iron your seams
 - You do not need to pull all the paper as you go and it will actually give your blocks structure as you put them together while also leaving the outside quarter inch seam line as a guide
 - Don't use water/seam when ironing when the paper is in place

- Tailors Clapper can be helpful for bulky seams
- When matching your seams, use a pin to line up corners and then hold in place with a wonderclip. (Using pins can warp your paper pieces and make it harder to join correctly)
- Fold all your seam lines on your paper before you start sewing fabric to it
- Video on correct placement of pieces (good for especially tricky angles):
<https://freshlypieced.com/2019/07/never-tear-out-paper-piecing-stitches-again-video-of-my-favorite-no-fail-tip.html>

- Resource

- https://www.connectingthreads.com/carol-doak-s-foundation-paper/p/20824?utm_source=media&utm_medium=marketing&media=PPCGNBS&gclid=CjwKCAjw7e_0BRB7EiwAIH-goNbJpXT1iQ1ZAMeUm9LdQDkyHrgSx6FS5ezb0L0NvIZ28R67vKFEJBoCOpkQAvD_BwE&utm_campaign=PPCGNBS