



Hand Turned Applique Tips

1. Cut out the leaf, berry and flower templates. Place the template **face up** on the **right side** of the appropriate fabric, and use a **chalk marker** to trace around the template.
2. **The leaf and flower templates are the finished size.** You will want to add a $\frac{1}{8}$ seam allowance around each piece as you cut them out. Using the appropriate layout diagram for your quilt, place the leaf and flower pieces on the background fabric, and adjust the overlapping pieces.
3. Once you are satisfied with the placement of the fabric motifs, pin the pieces carefully in place. Next, lay out the bias tape stems: pin as you go. **All stems tuck under the leaf and flower motifs, and the shorter stems tuck under the longer stems.** Be careful to eliminate any kinks in the tape. The effect that you want to achieve is that of gentle curves.
4. Starting with the pieces that are underneath another piece (such as stems), carefully sew around the edge of each piece using your hand applique method of choice.

