
Floral FRAMES

Free-motion Challenge Quilting Along



Week 2 Quilting Diagrams & Tip Sheet
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Welcome to the second week of the Floral Frames Free-motion Challenge Quilting Along. Last week, we saw that quilting border motifs can be an easy alternate to quilting a design that wraps around the whole quilt. In this week's tutorial, we are going to create the illusion of a wrap around design by breaking up the border into more manageable "chunks".



While "chunking" might not sound like a technical quilting term, it's a great way to approach the borders of your quilts. Instead of looking at the border as one big area, we are going to see just how to break it up and create quilting designs that look amazing!

Scan the QR code to rewatch the Week 2 video tutorial.



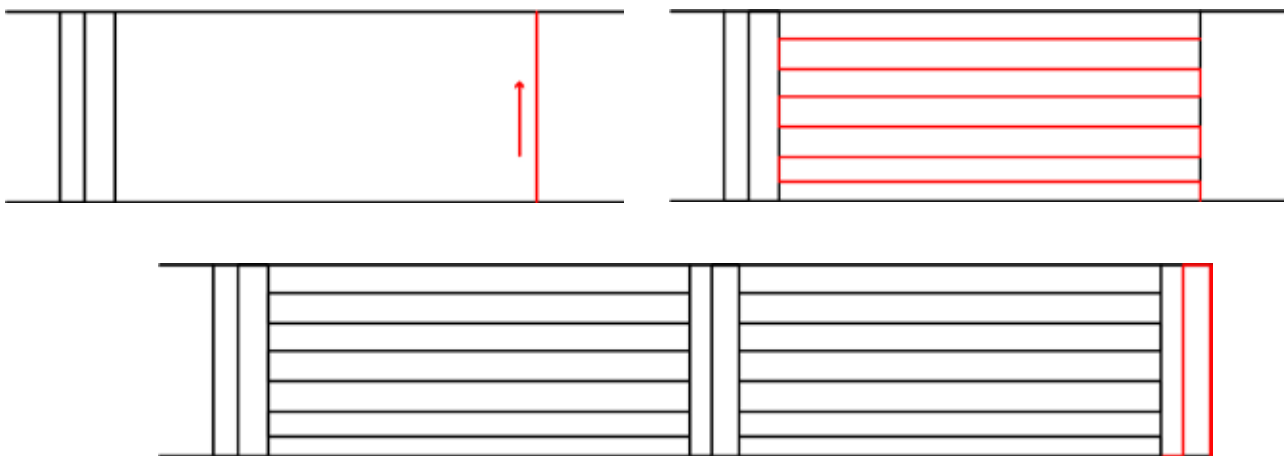
Your Challenge

If you are quilting along with me on the custom panel designed for this challenge, quilt the border highlighted in red. You can try out the techniques we learned in the video tutorial, or come up with your own variations. If you purchased the coordinating thread collection, use the Key Lime green thread in this area.



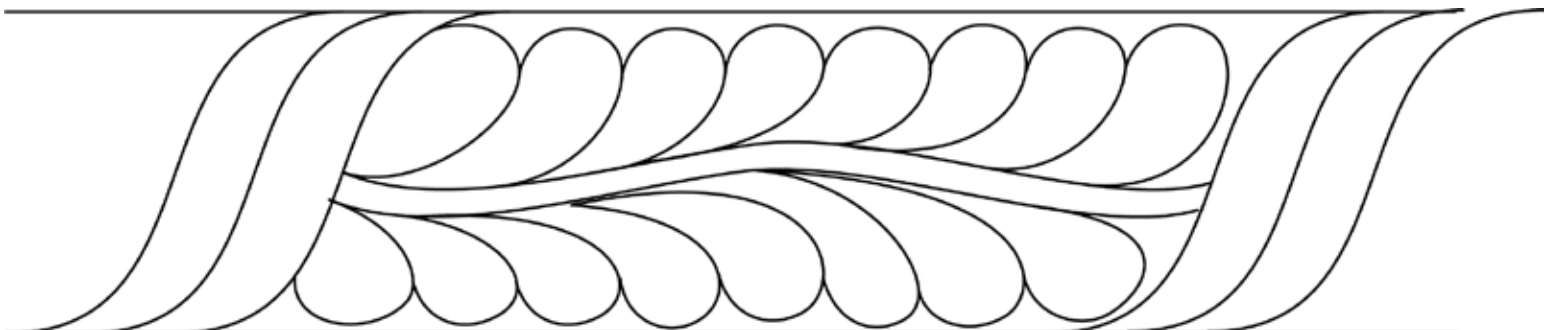
Chunking Borders - The Technique

Let's go over the basic technique before learning the different ways you can use it on your quilts! For this technique, we actually need two different designs; the "main design" (such as a feather) and a "boundary design" which acts as the ends of our sections. Let's see the basic chunking technique using straight lines for both the main design and the boundary design.



Chunked Feathers

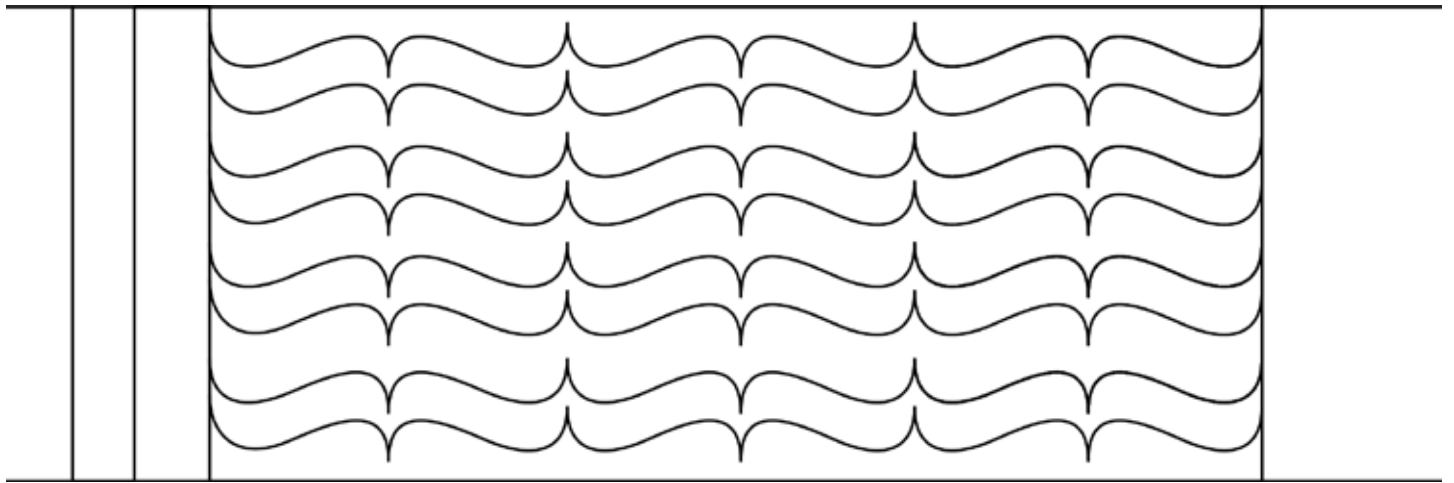
Who doesn't love the look of a beautiful border feather that wraps around the quilt? With this technique, we still get the same stunning look, without the hassle. For this variation, we are using a feather as the filler design and serpentine lines as the boundary design.





Bracket Chunks

The brackets design is a little curvy, a little pointy, and a whole lotta awesome! Just like the feather design, it can be tricky to quilt in borders.....unless we use the chunking technique, of course.



Audition Designs

Use the diagram to audition different designs for the borders of your quilts.

