



# JANDA Bend Quilts

## Advent Christmas Ornaments



Finished size 6" Square, Unfinished size 6 ½" square

### Overview

Each ornament represents an advent candle. In our tradition, we light four advent candles, one each week, during advent. The Joy candle is a lighter shade of purple. The pieces may be cut using Accuquilt dies, or a rotary cutter. The text can be computer printed or embroidered.

### Requirements

#### Tools:

Sewing machine, rotary cutter, cutting mat, scissors, ruler, and iron. Optional: Accuquilt dies 2 and 8 from the 6" Block Go! Qube, an ink-jet printer and printable fabric or embroidery floss and needle.

**Pattern Notes:**

- Use a ¼" seam allowance, sewing right sides together.
- Press as indicated.

**Fabrics Needed for Four Ornaments:**

	<b>Fabric A: Beige Text</b>	<p><b>For Computer Printing:</b> Print the text on The 8 ½" by 11" printable fabric first and then cut it to size so that the printing is on the diagonal.</p> <p><b>For Embroidery</b> Cut (4) 3 ½" squares.</p>
	<b>Fabric B: Light Purple Fabric</b>	<p><b>Fabric Scrap</b> Cut (16) 2" x 3 ½" rectangles, four like fabrics for each block. Note: Accuquilt Die 8 from the Mix and Match 6" Block Go! Qube can be used to cut the squares as well.</p>
	<b>Fabric C: Dark Purple Fabric</b>	<p><b>Fabric Scrap</b> Cut (16) 2" squares, (4) like fabrics for each block. Note: Accuquilt Die 2 from the Mix and Match 6" Block Go! Qube can be used to cut the squares as well.</p>
	<b>Batting</b>	<p><b>Batting Scrap</b> Cut (4) 6 ½" squares.</p>
	<b>Backing</b>	<p><b>Fabric Scrap</b> Cut (4) 6 ½" squares.</p>
	<b>Ribbon</b>	<p><b>Ribbon Scrap</b> Cut (4) 4" long strips of ¼" wide ribbon for hanging the ornaments.</p>

**Safety Note:**

Care needs to be used when cutting with a rotary cutter. Blades are sharp. Only cut fabric with rulers that are designed to be used with rotary cutters.

## Assembly

### Computer Printing the Text:

1. Using the actual size text printed on pages 6 and 7, print the text on a fabric sheet made for ink jet-printers. Please use the manufacturer's directions, including how to make the printing color-fast. Be sure your printer is on 100% scale or Actual Size and that the 1" square measures 1" on your print out.
2. Using a rotary ruler or fussy cut ruler and rotary cutter, cut the printed fabric into a 3 ½" square (Fabric A). Be sure that the text is centered and that it is along a diagonal as shown. You will need to print 2 text pages to make all four ornaments.



Cut 3 ½" Square, with Text on the Diagonal



All Four Text Squares

Note: If you prefer, the text can be hand embroidered after the block is pieced. Simply trace the text on the rectangle and embroider it with your favorite stitch, using 3 strands of embroidery floss. You may also want to experiment with applique or fussy cutting.

### Completing One Block:

1. Sew two matching Fabric B 2" x 3 ½" rectangles to each side of the text square. Press away from the center.
2. Sew two matching Fabric C 2" squares to each end of the Fabric B 2" x 3 ½" rectangle. Press toward the center. Repeat with the same fabrics.
3. Sew the strips to each side of the text strip as shown below. The seams should lock. The block should measure 6 ½" square. Press new seams in one direction.



### Completing one Ornament:

1. To complete the ornament, layer the parts in the following order:
  - Batting
  - Backing right side up
  - Ribbon loop at the top of the ornament with the ends of the ribbon towards the top of the ornament.
  - Pieced block right side down as shown. Make sure the text will be readable when the ornament is hung from the ribbon.



Ends of the ribbon toward the top of the ornament, loop between the backing and pieced block

2. Using a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, sew around the edge of the layered ornament, leaving about 3" unsewn so that the ornament can be turned right side out.
3. Turn the ornament right side out.
4. Iron the open seam closed. Topstitch around the edge of the ornament. This will close the open seam. Press.
5. Quilt by sewing in the ditch (along the pieced seams) using a walking foot.



Completed Ornament

Make All Four!

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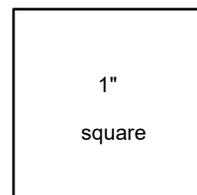
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Peace

Joy



Love

Hope

