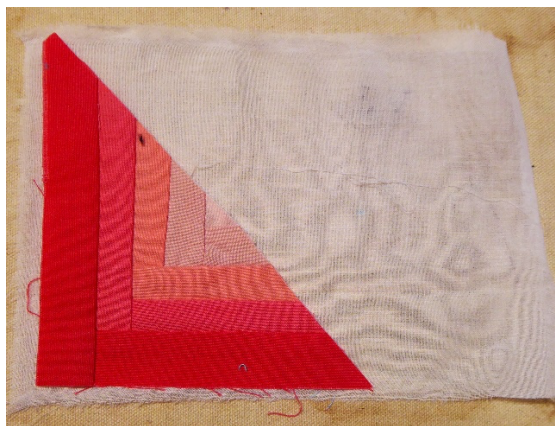


Making a fabric postcard

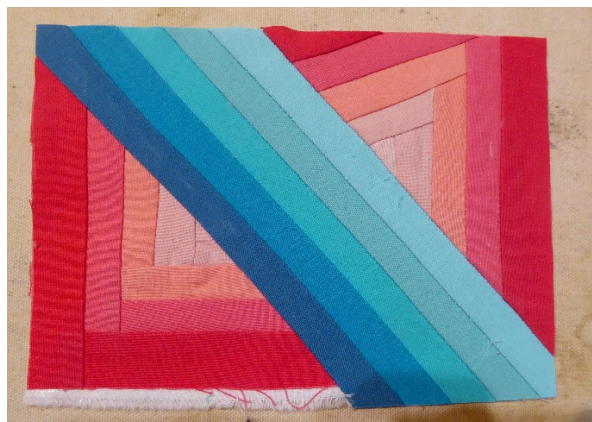
Make your postcard top larger than the finished postcard size. Use 5" x 7" design size for a finished 4" x 6" postcard.

Making the top design of the postcard

Piece or paper piece a quilt design pattern. Fuse to a piece of cotton fabric for stability
Or, Applique the design pattern onto a background piece of fabric – applique by hand or by machine
Add any decorative elements such as quilt stitches, hand or machine embroidery, or found objects
(You could add a thin batting or fusible interfacing to the back of the postcard at this stage and actually quilt through the layers if desired).



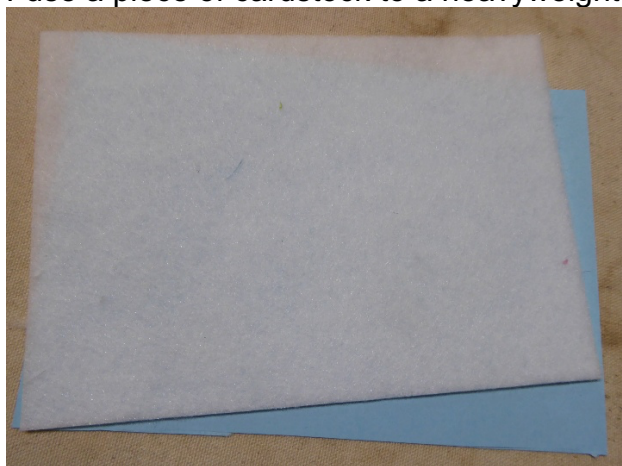
- Start of pieces on fusible interfacing



completed piecing top of postcard – 5" x 7"

When your postcard top is complete

Fuse a piece of cardstock to a heavyweight non-woven interfacing or fusible fleece.



Cardstock and fusible fleece



soap or chalk line to indicate finished size of postcard

Draw the **exact outline** of the final size of the postcard on the top of the postcard design. Be sure your corners are square! (I used a worn piece of hand soap as my tool for drawing the line. Now machine stitch – straight stitch - through all the layers, including the fused cardstock. Sew **exactly** on the drawn line – using a stitch length of 2. Using your rotary cutter and ruler, trim as close to the sewn line as you can. without trimming off the sewn line.



Straight stitch on the exact outline of the postcard – 4” x 6”



*Narrow zigzag around the edges-
overtop of the row of straight stitches*

Change to a zigzag stitch - length 2 width 2.5. Zigzag all around the four edges, with the zig going off the edge of the postcard, covering the row of straight stitches.

Now, change to a wider – but closer together zigzag stitch - length 2, width 3 and zigzag around the edge once more. The wider, closer together zigzag stitch will cover the spaces between the stitches of the first row of zigzagging.



finished postcard with wider zigzag over top of narrow zigzag row.

