Texas Rose

The Texas Rose traditionally has green at the base of the blossom and on the corner but I decided to stick with our red, white and blue color scheme.

For the blossom cut -

4 rectangles of red 5 x 2 inches

4 white 2 inch squares

2 white rectangles 6 1/2 x 3 1/2 inhes

1 blue 3 7/8 inch square (cut diagonally)

1 white 3 7/8 inch square ((cut diagonally - you will only use one)

1 white 3 1/2 inch square

Draw diagonal lines on all the 2 inch white squares. Place them on the end of each red rectangles so that 2 are left to right and 2 are right to left diagonally. Stitch on the line and trim the excess fabric from the corner. Press open so that 2 of them have the seam towards the white and 2 towards the red. This makes it easier to piece them together later.

The rose is constructed so the bottom red corner is a mitered corner where two of the red rectangles meet. Put 2 of the reds next to the large white square so that the white triangle is at the top and away from the white square. The reds will be longer than the white square.





Sew one red rectangle to the large white square stopping 1/4 inch from the end. Sew the another red rectangle to the second side also stopping 1/4 inch from the end. The end where the 2 reds meet should be open for 1/4 inch. Now fold the two red sides together and sew from the white, diagonally down the reds.

Sew the last 2 red rectangles to the piece so the white forms a "V" shape at one end. Add one blue rectangle across the bottom corner and trim the excess red away. Press open.