

Triple Star

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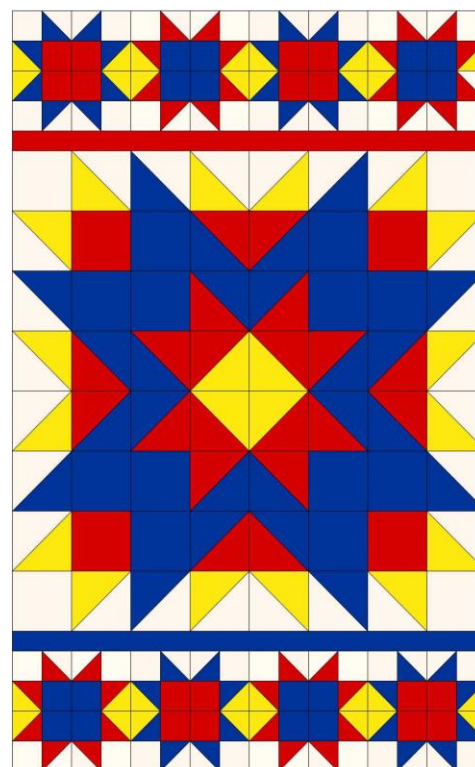


Description: Create the effect of multiple overlapping stars in this patriotic quilt.

Dimensions: 48" x 76" Small star block size – 12" finished



Triple Star Quilt



Triple Star Diagram

Materials:

- Red fabric: 1 ½ yds.
- Blue fabric: 2 yds.
- Yellow fabric: ¾ yds.
- White fabric: 1 ¼ yds.
- Binding fabric: 5/8 yds.
- Backing: 4 ½ yds .
- Batting: 56" x 84"

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Cutting:

All measurements for cutting shapes below include $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams.

- Red fabric:
 - (10) $6\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - (8) $6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
 - (32) $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
 - Two strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF
- Blue fabric:
 - (12) $6\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - (16) $6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
 - (32) $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
 - Two strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF
- Yellow fabric:
 - (10) $6\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - (16) $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
- White fabric
 - (12) $6\frac{7}{8}$ " squares
 - (4) $6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
 - (16) $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
 - (32) $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
- Binding – Cut 8 WOF $2\frac{1}{2}$ " strips

Directions:

Center Section

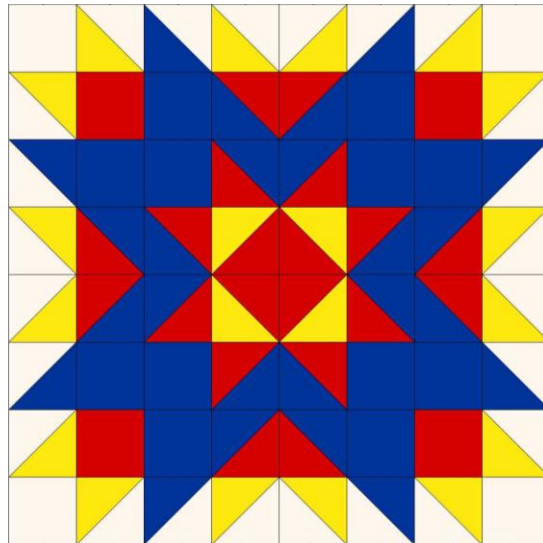
1. Make the large half square triangles:
 - Pair up the $6\frac{7}{8}$ " squares right sides together in the following combinations:
 - i. 8 White and Yellow
 - ii. 4 White and Blue
 - iii. 8 Red and Blue
 - iv. 2 Red and Yellow
 - Mark a line from corner to corner diagonally on the lighter fabric
 - Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on either side of the marked line
 - Cut along the marked line
 - Press seam to the darker side
2. Lay out these $6\frac{1}{2}$ " half square triangle units and $6\frac{1}{2}$ " squares according to the center layout on Page 3.

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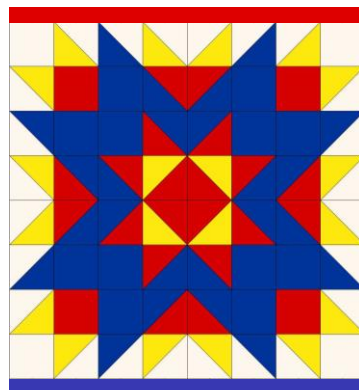
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3. Sew each row together.
4. Sew completed rows together.



5. Sew the two red 2 ½" strips together along the short side to create one long 2 ½" strip.
6. Sew the two blue 2 ½" strips together along the short side to create one long 2 ½" strip.
7. Sew the red strip along the top of the center star section. It should be 48 ½" across.
8. Sew the blue strip along the bottom of the center star section. It should be 48 ½" across.



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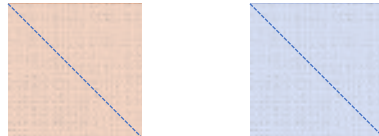
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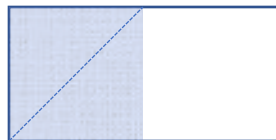
Small Stars

1. Make the flying geese star points using the blue and red $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " white and yellow rectangles:

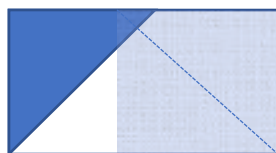
- Mark a line from corner to corner diagonally on the wrong side of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " red and blue squares



- Separate the rectangles into two piles; each pile should have 8 white rectangles and 8 yellow rectangles
- Start with the blue squares and place a blue square on the left side of a white rectangle, right sides together, with the marked line going from the bottom left corner to the center of the rectangle.



- Sew along the marked line.
- Trim the excess fabric $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the stitching (the upper left corner)
- Press seam to the white fabric
- Place a blue square on the right side of the white triangle with the marked line going from the bottom right corner to the center of the rectangle.



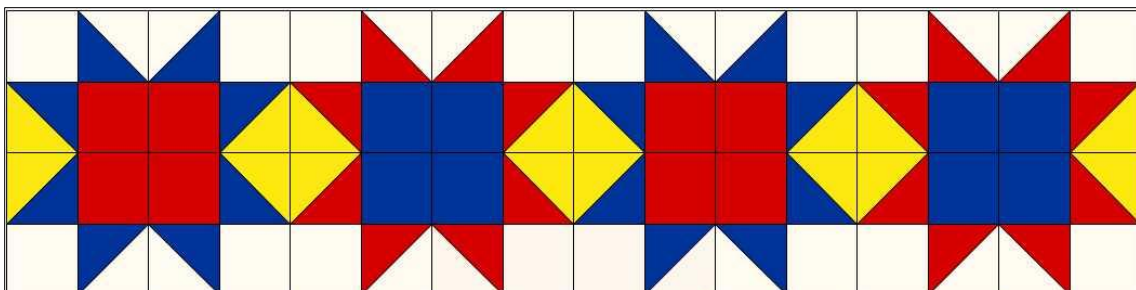
- Sew, trim and press as above.
- Repeat for all the blue squares and the white and yellow rectangles in the first pile.
- Repeat for all the red squares and the rectangles in the second pile.

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- Lay out the flying geese, large blue or red squares and white squares according to the small star layout shown below.
 - Note that 4 of the small stars have blue square centers and red star points made of flying geese; the other 4 have red square centers and blue star points made of flying geese.
 - Note that the flying geese with white are along the top and bottom and the flying geese with yellow are along the sides.
- Sew a white square to each side of the white flying geese units.
- Sew a yellow flying geese unit to each side of the square, star points out. Red star points go with blue squares. Blue star points go with red squares.
- Sew the white square/flying geese units to each side of the square/yellow flying geese unit with the star points out.
- Sew four stars together, alternating stars with red square centers with stars with blue square centers to create the top row of stars. Repeat for the bottom row.
- Sew the star rows to the top and bottom of the center section.



Finish the quilt

- Piece backing together
- Layer with batting and backing.
- Quilt as desired. Sample was quilted as follows: blue and red strips were quilted with spirals, stars were quilted with curvy stars in the center and loops in the star points and center stars were quilted with wavy lines.
- Sew binding strips together using a diagonal seam and bind your quilt.
- Add a label and celebrate! Well done!



Close-up of Small Star Quilting