

Pleasantville

SERIES ROW QUILT
part 2 of 6

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PLEASANTVILLE, 76" x 88", by Kimberly Einmo. Quilted by Carolyn Archer, Ohio Star Quilting. Fabrics from Hometown Girl by Pat Sloan for Moda Fabrics.

Easy

SKILL

76" x 88" finished

SIZE

Various

BLOCK

Who's with me? Are you working on your PLEASANTVILLE quilt? It's not too late to join in the fun! This is only the second installment of the row-by-row quilt, and you're going to love this easy-to-piece Twinkling Star block. You can find fabric requirements for the entire quilt and directions to make the Fancy Chain block row in the January 2016 issue of *American Quilter* magazine. So grab your rotary cutter and fat quarters and get cutting! I'm so glad you're joining me and would love to see your rows as they grow.

There are only five Twinkling Star blocks in this row, and they stitch together quickly. You may recognize the familiar Friendship Star when you look at the small star points, but the addition of the large star points really makes these blocks twinkle. Depending on where you place the fabric values, your blocks will look very different. In addition to the background fabric, you will need a minimum of 3 different prints for these blocks—I used 15 different prints for the blocks in my quilt, 3 fabrics for each of the 5 blocks. *Editor's note: Cutting instructions give the total number of background pieces to cut for the entire row, but only star center and point pieces to cut for one of the 5 blocks. Before cutting, select the prints you wish to use together in each block.*

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Cutting for Twinkling Star row

From the background fabric:

- 10 squares $4\frac{7}{8}$ " x $4\frac{7}{8}$ " (A)
- 20 squares $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " (C)

From fabric #1 (star center):

- 1 square $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " (C)
- for each block

From fabric #2 (large star points):

- 2 squares $4\frac{7}{8}$ " x $4\frac{7}{8}$ " (A)
- for each block

From fabric #3 (small star points):

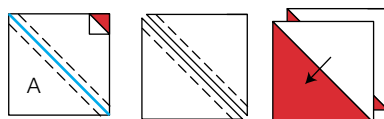
- 4 squares $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " (B)
- for each block

Twinkling Star block

For one block, select 2 background A, 4 background C, 1 fabric #1 C square, 2 fabric #2 A squares, and 4 fabric #3 B squares.

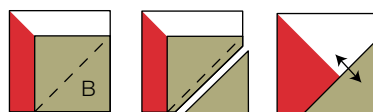
Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the background fabric A squares. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the fabric #3 B squares.

Place a background A square on a fabric #2 A square, right sides together. Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " on each side of the drawn line. Cut on the line. Press seam allowances toward the darker fabric. The half-square triangle should measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " from raw edge to raw edge. Make 4 matching units for one block.



Half-square triangles – make 4

Position a B square on the lower right corner of a half-square triangle. This time, stitch directly on the diagonal line. Trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " from sewn line, and press the seam allowances open. Make 4.

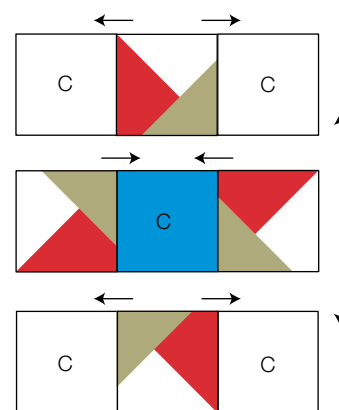


Star point unit

Following the Twinkling Star block assembly diagram, lay out the star point units, fabric #1, and

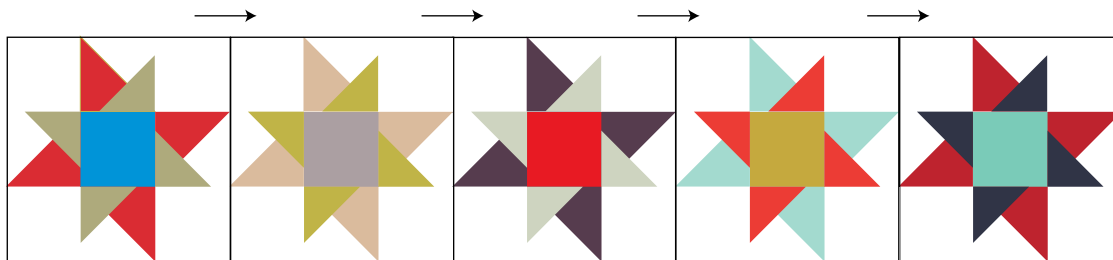
background C squares. Sew the units and squares together into block rows. Press all seam allowances toward the C squares. Join the block rows to complete the block. Press seam allowances away from the center. The block should measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ " from raw edge to raw edge.

Repeat the steps to make 5 blocks.



Twinkling Star block assembly
Make 5

Lay the blocks out in a row. Sew the blocks together to make a row for your quilt. The row should measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $60\frac{1}{2}$ ".



Row of Twinkling Star blocks

