

Patriotic Star

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Quilt sizes: 18" x 18"

Skill level: Skilled beginner

Show off your love of country and your patriotism! All you need are four fabrics to make this pretty wall or door hanging.

Supply list:

- Rotary cutter, mat, and ruler.
- 50-wt. cotton thread in a neutral color.
- 1/4" foot for piecing.
- **Precision Precuts Ruler** or **Precision Jelly Roll Ruler** by Kimberly Einmo optional, but recommended. (www.kimberlyeinmo.com)
- Basic sewing supplies including thread snips, straight pins anything that will make your sewing experience more enjoyable!



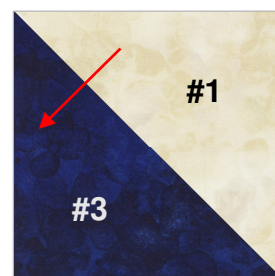
FABRIC	YARDAGE	CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS
#1 Background	1/2 yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut 2 – 1 1/4" strips. (Note: If your strips aren't at least 40" in length, you may need an additional strip.) • Cut 2 – 2" strips; cut 32 – 2" squares. • Cut 1 – 4 7/8" strip; cut 2 – 4 7/8" squares and cut each square 1x diagonally to yield 4 triangles. Trim remaining strip to 4 1/2," and cut 4 – 4 1/2" squares.
#2 Center and corner squares Flag print	1/8 yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut 1 – 4 1/2" square. • Cut 4 – 3 1/2" squares.
#3 Large star point and four-patch units Navy blue	1/4 yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut 1 – 1 1/4" strip. (Note: If your strip isn't at least 40" in length, you may need an additional strip.) • Cut 1 – 4 7/8" strip; cut 2 – 4 7/8" squares and cut each square 1x diagonally to yield 4 triangles.
#4 Small star point and four-patch units Red	1/4 yard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cut 1 – 1 1/4" strip. (Note: If your strip isn't at least 40" in length, you may need an additional strip.) • Cut 4 – 3 7/8" squares.

HST = half-square triangle

RST = right sides together

Make the following half-square triangles (HSTs):

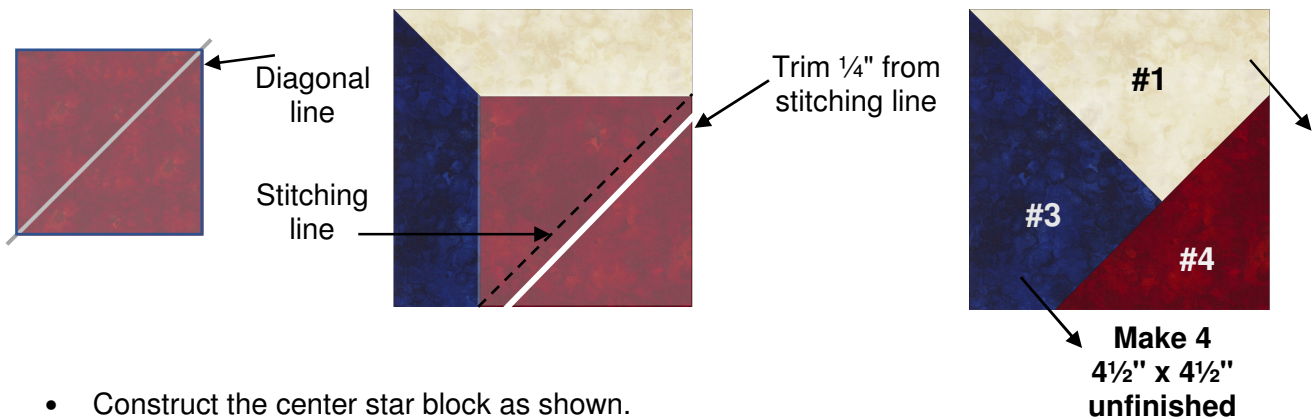
- Make 4 HSTs using fabrics #1 and #3.
- HSTs should measure 4 1/2" unfinished.
- Press seams towards #3.
- Trim dog ears and square-up if necessary.



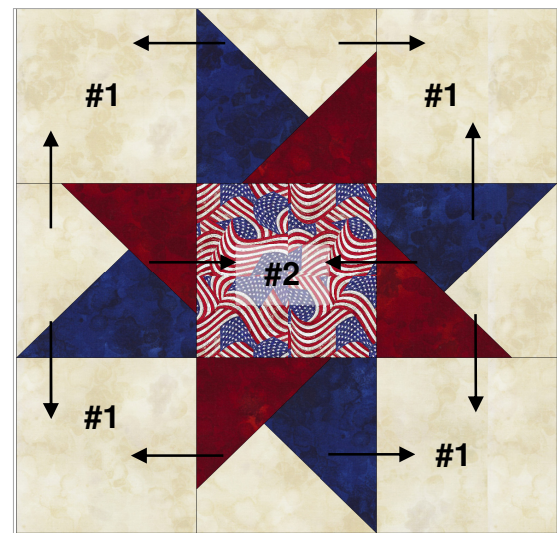
Make 4 HSTs
4 1/2" x 4 1/2"
unfinished

Create star points:

- Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of the #4 squares using a Hera marker or erasable ink.
- Place a #4 square RST on top of a HST aligning the raw edges exactly as shown. (*Pay careful attention to the orientation of the HST!*)
- Stitch on the diagonal line.
- Trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the outside of the stitching line.
- Press seam toward #4 to complete the square. Make 4 units.
- Units should measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished. Square-up if necessary.



- Construct the center star block as shown.
- Press the seams as shown by arrows.
- Star block should measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " x $12\frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished.
- Square-up the block if necessary.



Construct the four-patch units:

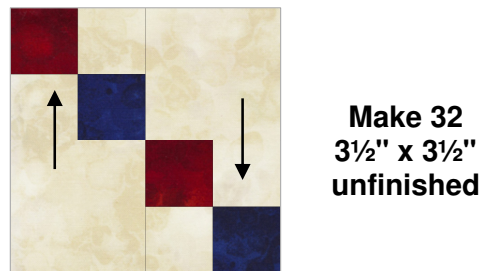
- Sew $1\frac{1}{4}$ " strips of fabrics #1 / #3 and fabrics #1 / #4 together.
- Make 1 strip set of each fabric combination.
- Press seams away from fabric #1.
- Cut 32 – $1\frac{1}{4}$ " units from each strip set.



- Construct 32 four-patch units.
- Press seam open. (*I find it helpful to use a Strip Stick to open seams.*)
- Four-patch units should measure 2" x 2" unfinished. Square-up if necessary.

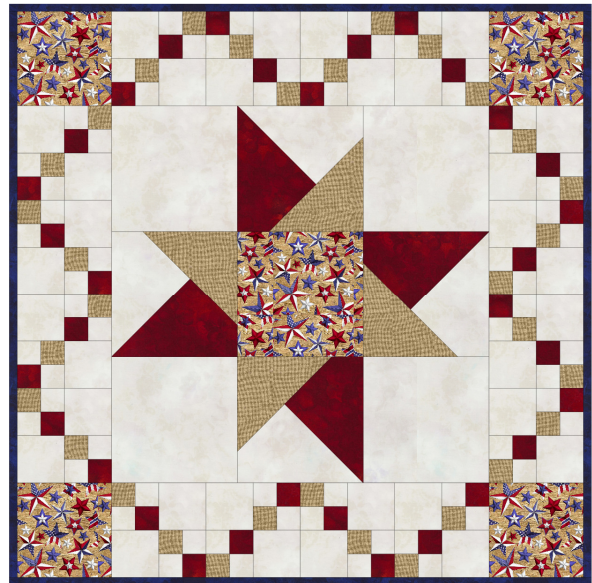


- Use fabric #1 – 2" squares to construct double four-patch units.
- Press seams toward fabric #1 squares, as shown by arrows.
- Double four-patch units should measure 3½" x 3½" unfinished. Square-up if necessary.



Construct the quilt top:

- Arrange the double four-patch units around the center star block, being careful to rotate the units to create the secondary design.
- Add the fabric #2 – 3½" squares in the corners.
- Assemble the quilt top, which should measure 18½" x 18½" unfinished.
- Square-up if necessary and quilt as desired.
- Remember to sign and date your quilt with a permanent fabric pen. *God bless the USA!*



Alternate colorway