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Cutting

*HST: Half Square Triangles

• **Red: Star & Half Square Triangles:**

1-6¼"x WOF strip
subcut 6-6¼"x 6¼"

7-2"x WOF strips
subcut 14-2"x 22" strips

• **Blue: Star, Half Square Triangles & Binding:**

2-6¼"x WOF strips
subcut 12-6¼"x 6¼"

19-2"x WOF strips
set aside 8 for the Binding
subcut 21-2"x 22" strips

• **Accent: Star & Half Square Triangles:**

1-6¼"x WOF strip
subcut 6-6¼"x 6¼"

7-2"x WOF strips
subcut 14-2"x 22" strips

• **Cream: Star & Half Square Triangles:**

1-6¼"x WOF strip
subcut 6-6¼"x 6¼"

7-2"x WOF strips
subcut 14-2"x 22" strips

• **Star Background, Half Square Triangles & Border:**

First Cut:

1-6¼"x WOF strip
subcut 6-6¼"x 6¼"

4-7½"x WOF strips
subcut 16-7½"x 7½" and 8-2½"x 2½"

1-10¼"x WOF strip
subcut 4-10¼"x 10¼" cut twice diagonally

Then Cut or Tear

4-10½"x LENGTH of fabric strips for the border
Trim 2 to measure 10½"x 66½" and
2 to measure 10½"x 46½"

• **2 Red Assorted Half Square Triangles:**

from EACH 9"x 22" cut:
3-6¼"x 6¼"

• **2 Blue and 1 Tan Assorted Half Square Triangles:**

from EACH 9"x 22" cut:
3-6¼"x 6¼"

• **2 Cream Assorted Half Square Triangles:**

from EACH fat quarter cut:
6-6¼"x 6¼"

Quilter Basics

Read instructions before beginning a project.

All instructions include a ¼" seam allowance; WOF=width of fabric.

22" measurement is approximate; 22" may indicate cutting the length of a fat quarter or cutting the width of fabric strip in half

Quilt Construction

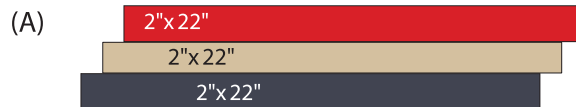
1 Star Diamonds: *Accurate cutting and sewing is very important.*
Hint: Use "Best Press" or spray starch at each step for fabric that acts more like "cardboard or paper" than fabric.

(A) Sew 3-2"x 22" strips together: 1 Red, 1 Accent and 1 Blue. Stagger the strips about 1½". See diagram. Make 7 strip sets. Make 32 R/A/B Diamonds.

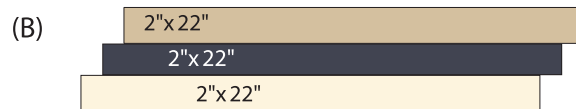
(B) Repeat step (A) using 1 Accent, 1 Blue and 1 Cream strip. Make 7 strip sets. Make 32 A/B/C Diamonds.

(C) Repeat step (A) using 1 Blue, 1 Cream and 1 Red strip. Make 7 strip sets. Make 32 B/C/R Diamonds.

(D) Align the 45° line on the ruler with the strip set edge and cut a 45° angle on the strip set. Align the 2" line with this cut edge and the 45° line on the ruler on one of the seams to cut the diamonds. Cut a total of 32 R/A/B Diamonds, 32 A/B/C Diamonds and 32 B/C/R Diamonds.



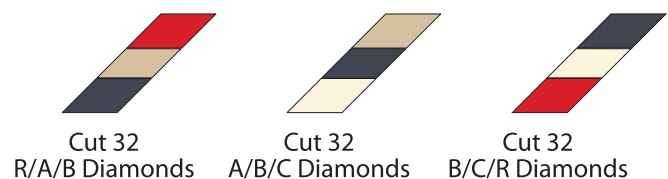
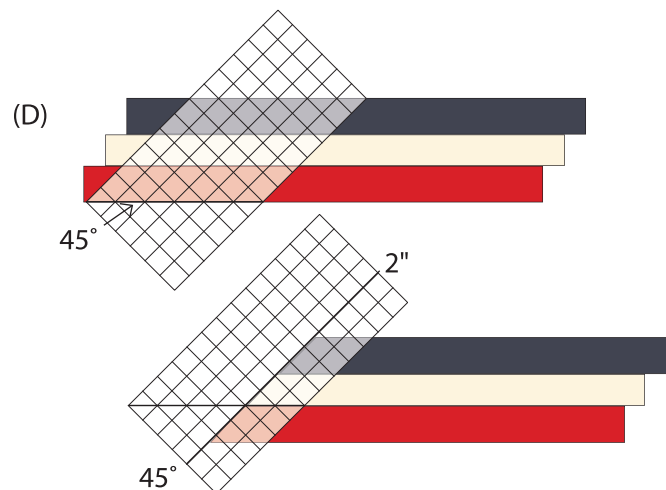
Make 7 R/A/B sets.



Make 7 A/B/C sets.

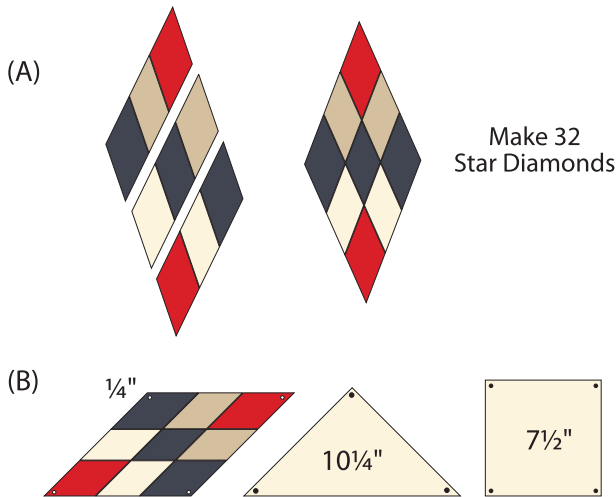


Make 7 B/C/R sets.



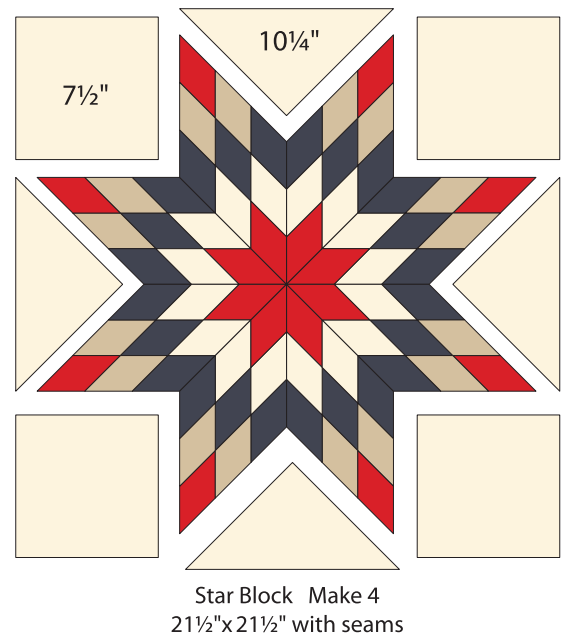
2 Stitching diamonds together:

- (A) Combine 1 R/A/B, 1 A/B/C and 1 B/C/R Diamonds to make one Star Diamond. *See diagram.*
Make 32 Star Diamonds.
- (B) Mark dots $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the points of the Stars, the Cream $16-7\frac{1}{2}$ "x $7\frac{1}{2}$ " squares and $16-10\frac{1}{4}$ " triangles.
Remember to always start stitching and backstitch at a dot. At the outer edge or center of the block, simply begin at the edge of the fabric or stitch to the end of the fabric.
- (C) **Make sets of two** - Machine stitch two star diamonds right sides together. Backstitch at dot, stitching to the center edge. Press open. Don't trim the 'dog ears' yet. **Make sets of four** - Take two sets of two. Match dots, seam end and 'dog ears'. Backstitch at dot, stitching to the center edge. **Stitch halves** - Take two sets of four. Line up dots and seam 'X' and 'dog ears' pin at each side of the center seam. Backstitch at dot, stitching to the center edge. Trim 'dog ears'. Press open. Make 4 Stars.

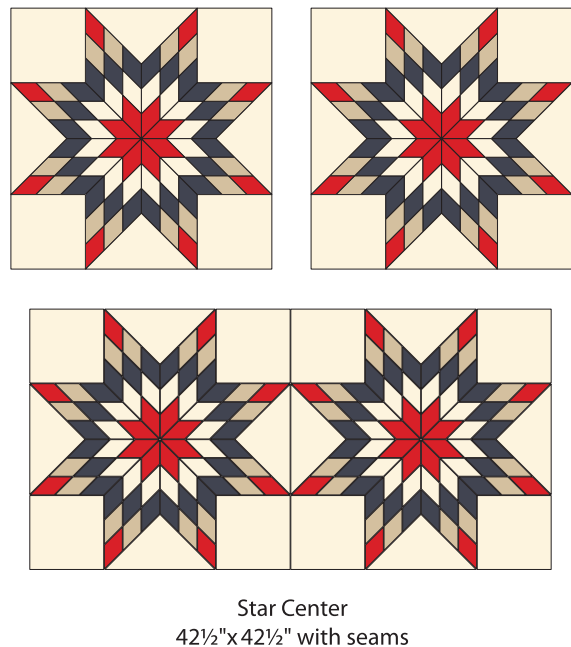


- 3 **Add side triangles first** - Remember the triangles fill between alternate star points. With right sides together, match point of triangle to point of diamond. Match dot to star diamond. Stitch from outside toward the center dot, backstitch at dot. On the other side of triangle, stitch from outside toward the center dot. Backstitch at dot. Press toward triangle. Set in all four triangles first.

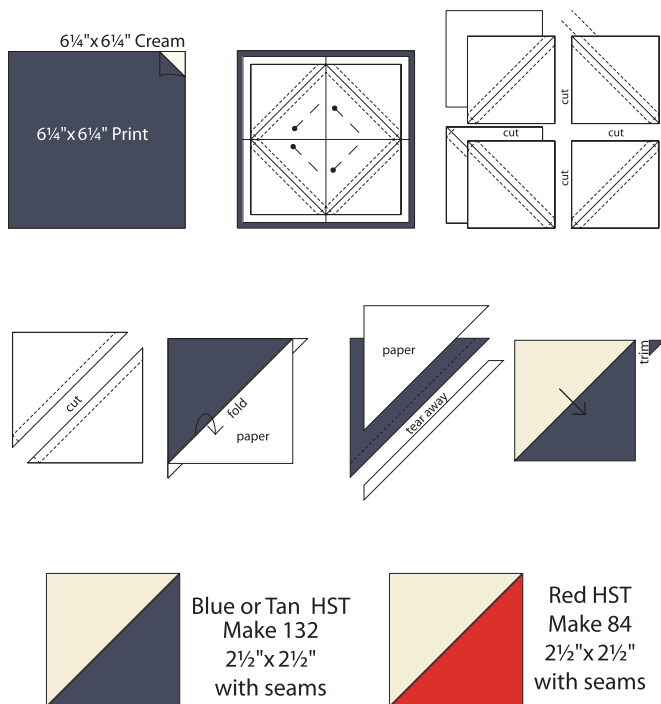
Add squares last - With right sides together, match square to straight edge of triangle already set in. Stitch from outside toward the center dot, backstitch at dot. Stitch from outside toward the center dot on the opposite side of the square. Backstitch at dot. Press toward square. When all stitching is finished, trim 'dog ears'. Press seams open.
Make 4 Star Blocks $21\frac{1}{2}$ "x $21\frac{1}{2}$ " with seams.



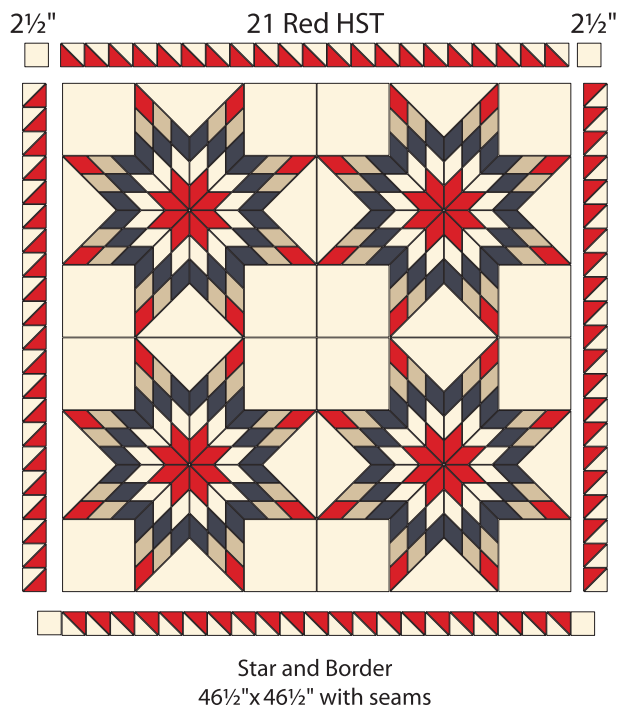
- 4 **Star Center:** Combine 4 Star Blocks to make the Star Center.
Make 1 Star Center $42\frac{1}{2}$ "x $42\frac{1}{2}$ " with seams.



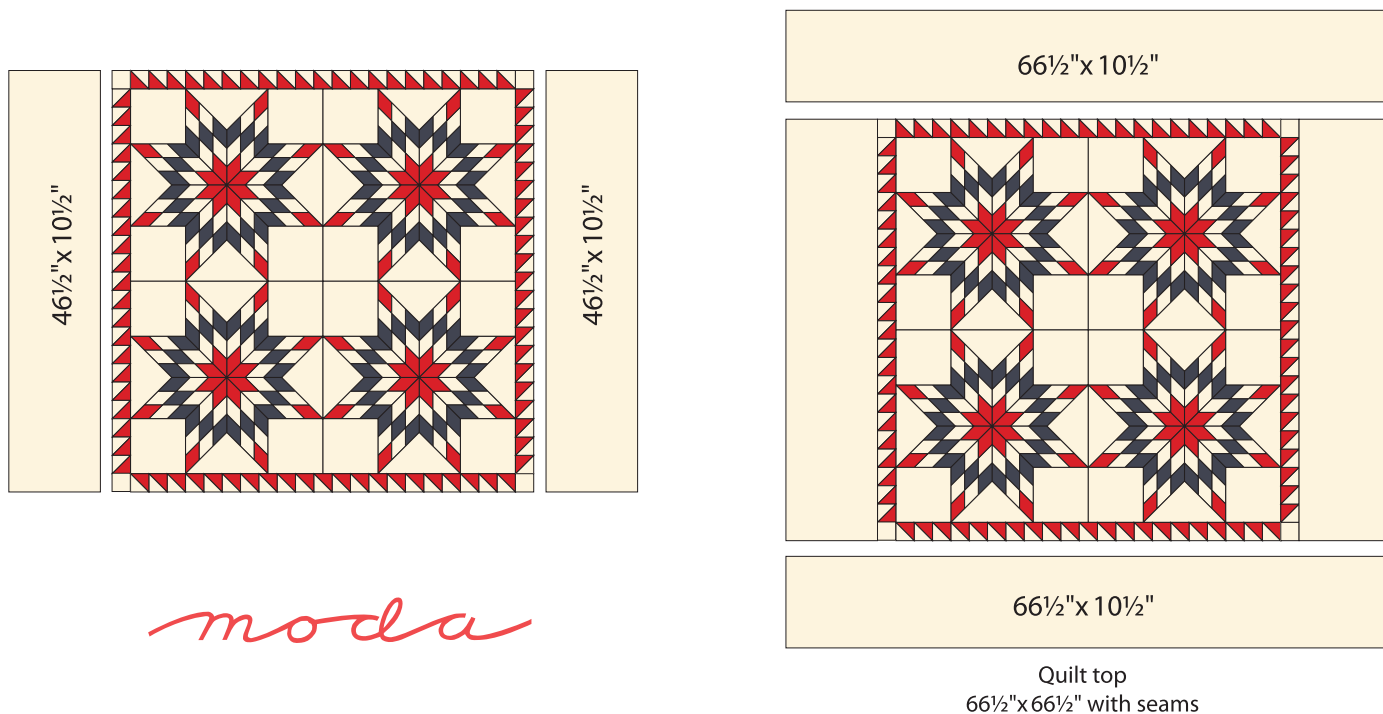
5 Half Square Triangles: Layer 1— $6\frac{1}{4}$ "x $6\frac{1}{4}$ " Blue, Red or Tan assorted print and 1— $6\frac{1}{4}$ "x $6\frac{1}{4}$ " Cream square right sides together. Follow the directions on the Spinning Star Design Star Single paper to make the half square triangles. One Star Single paper makes 8 half square triangles. Make a total of 132 Blue (17 papers) and 84 (12 papers) Red assorted half square triangles (HST).



6 Red Half Square Triangle Border: Join 21 Red Half Square Triangles. Sew to the sides of the Star Center. Join 21 Red Half Square Triangles and 2—2 1/2 Cream squares. See diagram. Make 2. Sew to the top and bottom of the Star Center. The Star and Borders is $46\frac{1}{2}$ "x $46\frac{1}{2}$ " with seams.



7 Cream Print Border: Add the 2— $46\frac{1}{2}$ "x $10\frac{1}{2}$ " Borders to the sides of the quilt top. Add the 2— $66\frac{1}{2}$ "x $10\frac{1}{2}$ " Borders to the top and bottom of the quilt top. These borders will help to "square" the quilt top so that the next half square triangle border will fit. The quilt top is $66\frac{1}{2}$ "x $66\frac{1}{2}$ " with seams.



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Fabric Requirements

*HST: Half Square Triangles

Red: Star & HST: 1 yard
(14723 11)

Blue: Star, HST & Binding: 1 3/8 yards
(14727 14)

Accent: Star & HST: 3/4 yard
(14727 13)

Cream: Star & HST: 1 yard
(14729 13)

Star Background, HST & Border: 3 1/4 yards
(14726 13)

2 Red Assorted HST: 1 Fat 8th EACH
(14726 21, 14727 11)

2 Blue & 1 Tan Assorted HST: 1 Fat 8th EACH
(14722 15, 14724 12, 14727 15)

2 Cream Assorted HST: 1 Fat Quarter EACH
(14724 13, 14727 23)

Star Singles by Spinning Star Design:
for 2" (finished) half square triangles



Skus used in this quilt are highlighted in red.

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