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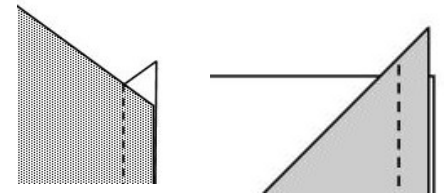
wof= width of fabric

Fabric	Yards	Cutting Instructions
A – background (black)	$\frac{5}{8}$ yd	◊ Cut (1) $13\frac{1}{4}$ " square; cut twice diagonally ☒. From balance cut (4) 9" squares.
B – star fabric #1 (red)	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd	◊ Cut 3 strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x wof.
C – star fabric #2 (white print)	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd	◊ Cut 3 strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x wof.
D – star fabric #3 (black print)	$\frac{1}{4}$ yd	◊ Cut 3 strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x wof.
E – border fabric (lengthwise stripe)	$1\frac{1}{4}$ yds	◊ Cut 4 matching lengthwise strips $5\frac{3}{4}$ " wide x length-of-fabric.
F – binding (red)	$\frac{1}{3}$ yd	◊ Cut 5 strips 2" x wof; join end-to-end and press in half.
Backing	A piece 48" square	
Batting	A piece 46" square	

General Piecing: All seams are $\frac{1}{4}$ " unless noted. Press seams toward darker fabric unless noted.

Tip for aligning patches for sewing: When you have 2 patches to be sewn together and they are sloped at opposite 45° angles, they are correctly aligned when they meet at the $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam line as shown at right.

When you have 2 patches to be sewn together and only one is sloped at a 45° angle, they are correctly aligned when they meet $\frac{3}{8}$ " from the edge as shown at far right. However, sew them together with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam.



Piecing the Star:

1. Lay a Fabric B strip flat on your sewing table. Lay a Fabric C strip right side down on the fabric B strip, with the Fabric C strip 2" in from the end of the Fabric B strip. Pin the strips together at each end and at the mid-point; sew the strips together along one long edge. Finger-press the seam toward Fabric C with a Clover Hera Marker/wooden iron (watch my [YouTube video](#) here).



Border:

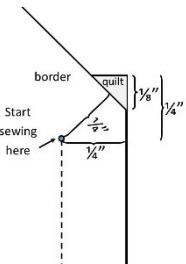
1. Measure quilt length _____ and width _____.

2. Lay side border strips horizontally on cutting mat and trim top left corner at a 45° angle using the 45° line on your ruler or mat.



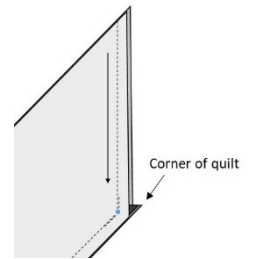
3. Across the top edge of the strip, measure the length of your quilt LESS $\frac{1}{4}$ "; starting at this measurement, trim top right corner of strip at a 45° angle as shown. Repeat with the top and bottom borders, using the width measurement LESS $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

4. On the wrong side of each border strip, position the E-Z Miter tool at top angled edge of border strip and mark a dot using a pencil. On the wrong side of the quilt top, position the square corner of the E-Z Miter tool in each corner to mark a dot using a pencil.



5. Lay a side border strip face down on each side of the quilt, aligning the dots. There will be $\frac{1}{8}$ " of quilt extending beyond the angled miter edge. Sew from dot to dot, securing stitches at each end. Do not press. Repeat with the top and bottom borders, pushing the side borders out of the way so as not to catch them.

6. Aligning the angled edges, sew each miter closed from outer edge to inner seam line, securing stitches. Press mitered seam open and press border seams toward outer edges.



Finishing:

Layer the prepared backing, batting and quilt top. Baste and quilt as desired. Trim edges even with quilt top. Sew the prepared Fabric F binding to the edges with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, turn and stitch in place. Enjoy your beautiful new quilt!