

Block 7 March:

This block is similar to the last two months but has a 2-color star and a different method of making the half square triangles.

Cut: For EACH star:

Color 1: two 4 1/2 - inch squares.

(You could also use 2 charm packs, or a layer cake cut into fourths. There is just a little more to trim)

Color 2: two 4 1/2 - inch squares

Background: two 4 1/2 - inch squares and four 2 1/2 inch squares.

Color 3: (or 1 or 2): four coordinating 2 1/2 by 10 1/2 inch border pieces.

Assembly:

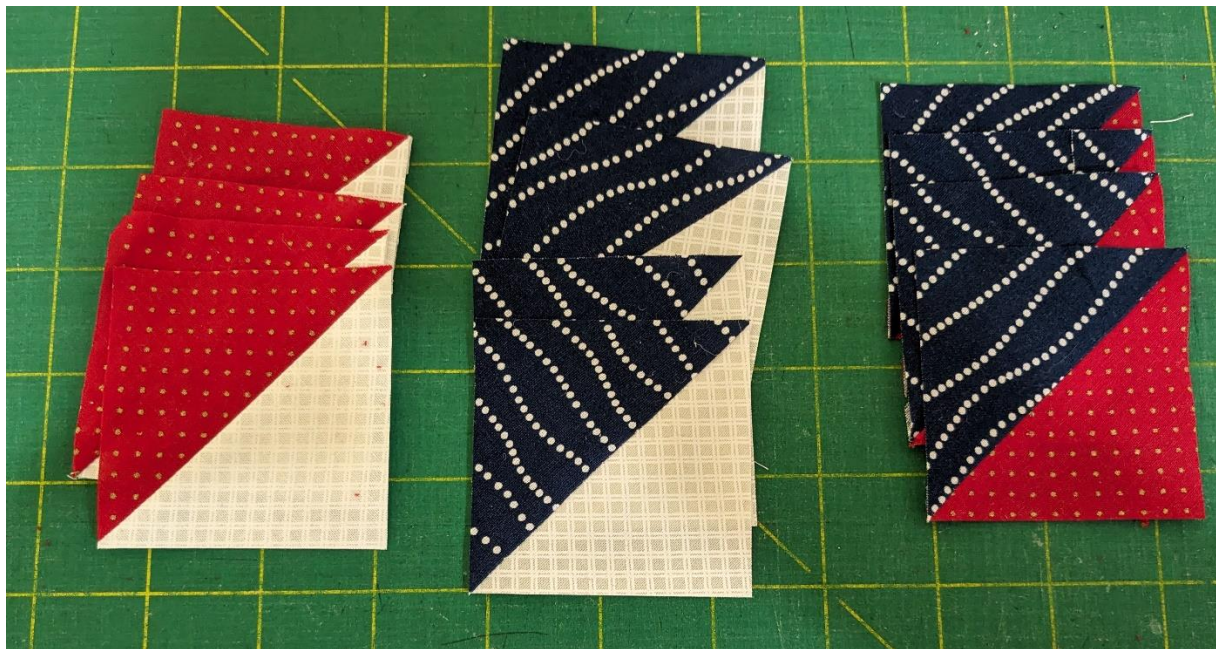
- 1. Pair one each of the color squares to a background square and then pair the last two colored squares together.**



2. Sew all the way around the outside edges of the three paired squares.



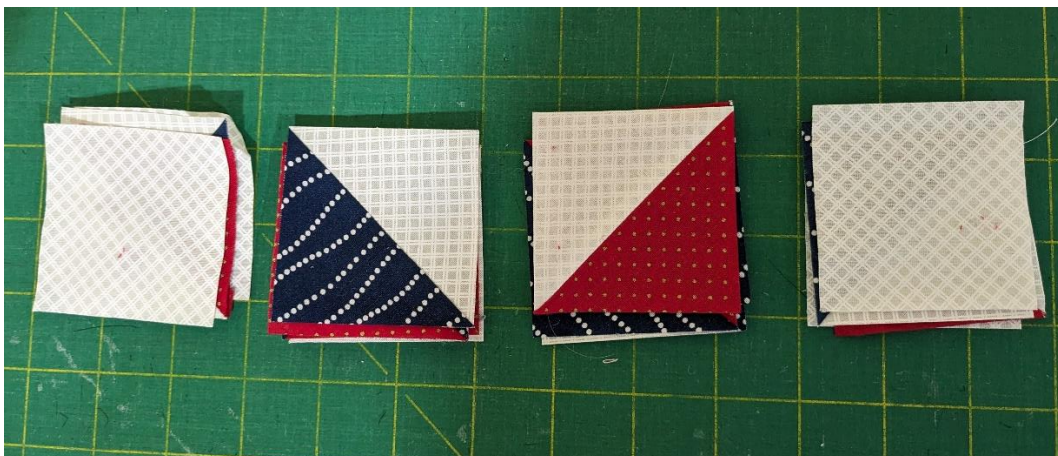
3. Cut all of them on both diagonals. Press open and trim to 2 ½ inches.



- 4. Lay out like this: I find it easier to lay out the four center ones in a pinwheel first and then complete each star point.**



- 5. Sew the rows and columns together. I stack them like this in columns to take to the sewing machine.**



6. Sew all the column 2 pieces to the column 1 pieces.



7. Then the column 3 pieces, and finally the column 4 pieces.



8. Then sew the rows together. If you flip the seams of one row up and the next row down, it will all nest together.



9. Then you can press the entire piece.



10. Sew on the final border to make the 12 ½ inch square.

