

QUILTER'S GUILD OF PLANO
Block of the Month
by the Sew n' Sews

Sawtooth Star—6 1/2" unfinished

Please use blue batiks, marbles, or other batik-like fabrics. Gorgeous!!

Seen in BLUE BATIKS in the book "Bedwarmers" by Lynda Milligan and Nancy Smith

Instructions: "Quilts, Quilts, and More Quilts", by Diana McClun and Laura Nownes.

For each block, cut:

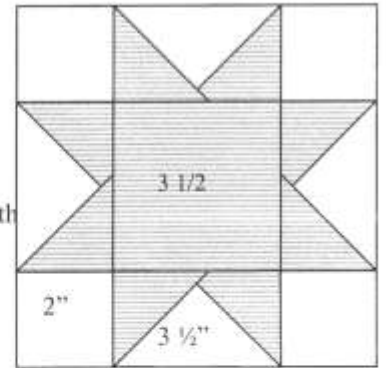
Four 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles of light fabric (background sides)

Four 2" squares of light fabric (background corners)

One 3 1/2" square of dark fabric (star center)

Eight 2" squares of dark fabric (star points)

Lights and darks may be reversed if desired (light star on dark background).



Directions:

- 1) Place a dark 2" square on top of a rectangle, right sides facing. Stitch diagonally as shown. For accuracy, mark the stitching line or press a diagonal crease into the square as a guideline.
- 2) Press the top layer of fabric (the square) back over the stitching line. Check to see that its two edges are in line with the edges of the rectangle. If they do not line up, your stitching line is not accurate.
- 3) Place another dark square on top of this unit, on the other end of the rectangle, with right sides facing.. Then stitch across it diagonally, as shown.
- 4) Press square back over the stitching line. Turn unit to the wrong side. Check to see that all edges of the squares and rectangle are even with each other. If just a bit of the square fabric extends beyond the edges of the rectangle, trim it even. The rectangle is your guide for an accurate finished unit.
- 5) With the RIGHT SIDE of the unit face up, lift each triangle and cut the 2 excess layers of fabric from behind the triangles to within 1/4" of the stitching lines. Press.
- 6) Make 4 of these units (star points) for each block. Assemble as shown. Helpful hint: When sewing a triangle unit to another piece, stitch just to the right of the point where the stitching lines cross on the triangle unit to avoid cutting off the point on the right side.

