

Sawtooth Sampler Block of the Month

We will be doing a 12" finished Sawtooth Star with a different block in the center. There will be 12 blocks in all, two blocks a month.

For the star you will need: (You can work ahead on the star part if you wish.)

Star points – 1 yd.

Background – 1 ½ yd.

The surprise blocks are 6" finished and will fit in the center of the star. They can be done with scraps or fat quarters.

For each star block you will need:

Star points – cut 8 (3 ½" x 3 ½") squares

Background – cut 4 (3 ½" x 3 ½") squares

cut 4 (3 ½" x 6 ½") rectangles

On the back of the star point squares, mark a diagonal line. Place a star point square face down at one end of the background rectangle (right sides together). Sew on the diagonal line (Fig. 1). Press, then trim leaving a ¼" seam allowance (Fig. 2). Press toward point (Fig. 3).

Sew another star point square on the other end of that same rectangle (Fig. 4). Make sure the diagonal line is going in the right direction. Sew on the diagonal line. Press and trim leaving a ¼" seam allowance (Fig. 5). Press toward point (Fig. 6).

Sew a background square to each side of two star points (Fig. 7). Press toward points. Sew a star point to each side of the 6" block (Fig. 8). Press toward points. Sew sections together. Your block should measure 12 ½".

