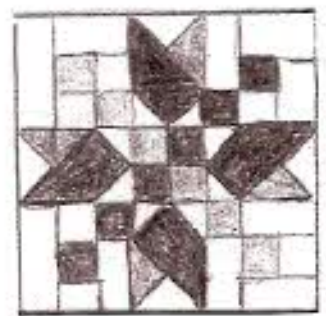


## CRISS/CROSS STAR



This star basically has a "X" of two contrasting fabrics running through it. The instructions are for six fabrics but any number of fabrics can be used. Eleanor used just three. Be careful where you place the contrasting 2" squares when sewing the units together.....laying out the squares and sub-units before sewing them together is helpful.

### CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Background Fabric Cut : 2 - 4 1/2" squares

4 - 2" squares

12 - 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles

Fabric 1 - Cut 6 - 2" squares

Fabric 2 - Cut 6 - 2" squares

Fabric 3 - Cut 8 - 2" squares

Fabric 4 - Cut 2 - 4 1/2" squares

Fabric 5 - Cut 4 - 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles

- Cut 2 - 4" squares, sub-cut diagonally once



### SEWING INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Sew a four patch out of two fabric 1 and two fabric 2, 2" squares. This will become the centre of the star
2. Using the eight 2" fabric 3 squares, make 4 flying geese units by drawing diagonal lines across the squares, lining up the squares on one side of the fabric 5 rectangles and sewing down the drawn lines. Cut off the side you do not need, leaving 1/4", flip over and iron towards the rectangle. Then repeat the same steps with remaining squares on the opposite corners of the rectangles. (Tip: Cutting off only the corner of the square and leaving the rectangle in tact helps keep the flying geese corners square.) See Diagram 1.
3. Sew a flying geese unit to either side of the unit made in step 1. See Diagram 2.
4. Sew 2" squares of fabric 1 and 2" squares of fabric 2 to the two remaining flying geese. Remember to have different fabrics in each corner in order to make the criss/cross pattern. Sew these two completed units to either side of the unit completed in step 3. This unit makes up the centre star and should measure 6 1/2" square. See Diagram 3.
5. Draw a diagonal line down the two background 4 1/2" squares. Match up these two squares with the two 4 1/2" squares of fabric 4 and sew a 1/4" seam on either side of the drawn lines. Trim to 4" square and cut diagonally once. You will only use four of these units in the next step. The rest will be discarded. See Diagram 4.

6. Sew the four triangles from fabric 5 to the units from Step 5. Before sewing these units together make sure that the background fabric triangle faces to the outside of the block. These should measure 3 1/2" square. See Diagram 5.

7. Sew a 3 1/2" x 2" background fabric rectangle to either side of the units made in step 6. These should measure 6 1/2" x 3 1/2". See Diagram 6.

8. Sew two 2" squares of background fabric to two 2" squares of fabric 1 and two 2" squares of background fabric to two 2" squares of fabric 2. Then sew a 3 1/2" x 2" background rectangle to one side of each of these units, making sure they are sewn in the correct place to make the criss/cross pattern. They should measure 3 1/2" square. See Diagram 7.

9. Sew the units made in step 8 to either side of two of the units made in step 7. These two units should measure 12 1/2" x 3 1/2". See Diagram 8.

10. Sew the remaining two units made in Step 7 to either side of the 6 1/2" star unit made in step 4. This unit should measure 12 1/2" x 6 1/2". See Diagram 9.

11. Sew the two units from step 9 to either side of the unit from step 10. See Diagram 10



Diagram 1



DIAGRAM 2



Diagram 3

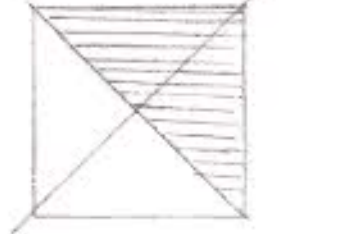


Diagram 4



Diagram 5



Diagram 6



← Diagram 7

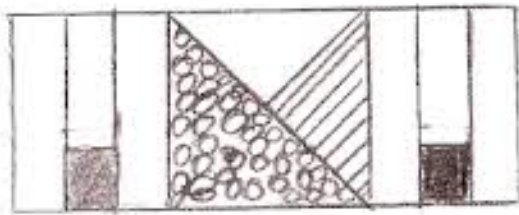


Diagram 8

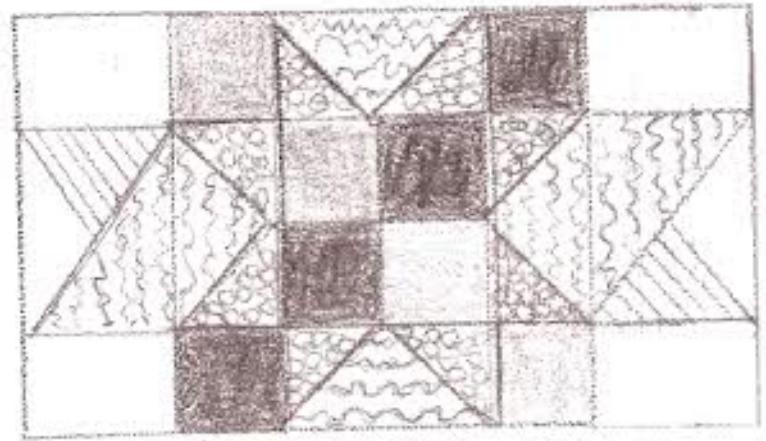


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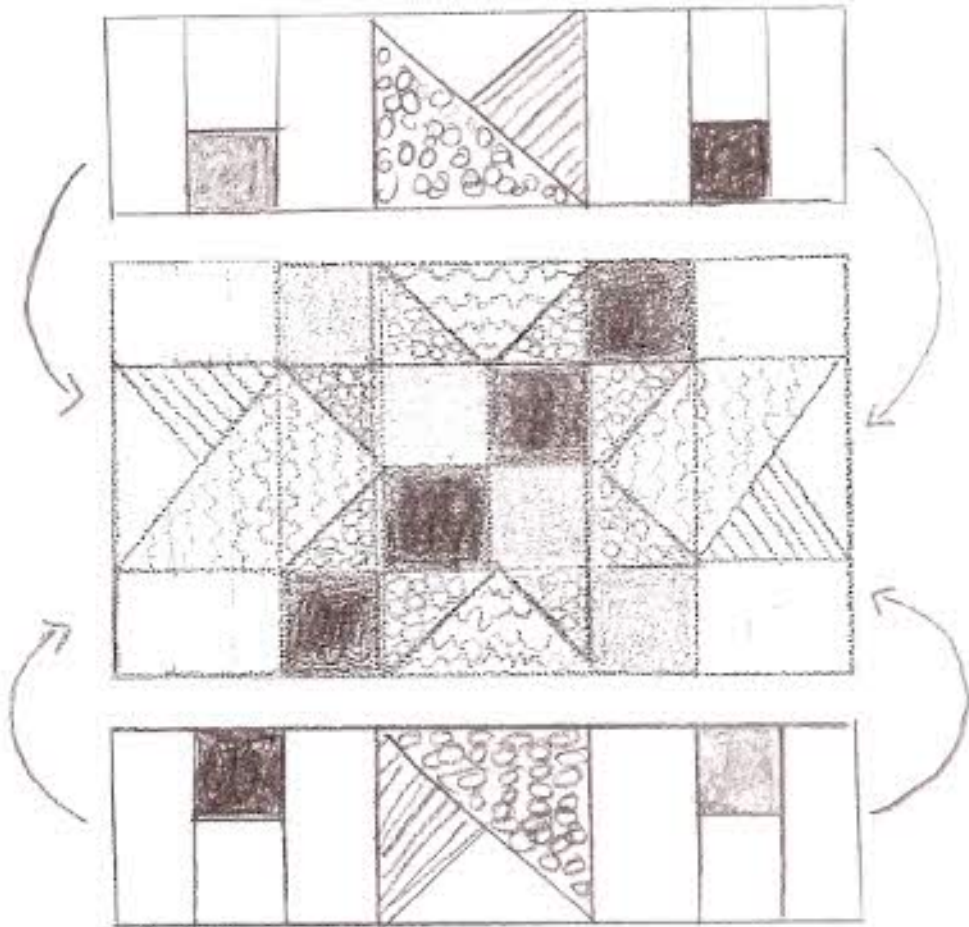


Diagram 10

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