

THREE-STAR BLOCK

This is an optional block for the Star Struck block of the month quilt. If you have already completed your quilt you can donate the block to community quilts or participate in a draw next month. If participating in the draw please construct your block in black and white and make the little friendship block in the colour of your choice.

This block is basically a 3 1/2 inch friendship star within a 6 1/2 inch star, within a 12 1/2 inch star. It is constructed by using half-square triangles and flying geese, instructions of which have been given in previous star blocks. Please refer back to those instructions and diagrams.

Cutting Instructions:

Background Fabric A:- 4 - 3 1/2" squares,
8 - 2" squares
4 - 6 1/2" x 3 1/2" rectangles

Fabric B: - 8 - 3 1/2" squares

Fabric C:- 4 - 2" squares, 4 - 3 1/2" x 2" rectangles

Fabric D:- 4 - 1 1/2" squares, 2 - 2" squares

Fabric E: -. 2 - 2" squares, 1 - 1 1/2" square

Sewing Instructions for Friendship Star:-

1. Make four half-square triangles by sewing 2" squares of fabrics D and E together in the usual manner. Trim to measure 1 1/2" squares.
2. Sew a fabric D 1 1/2" square to either side of a half-square triangle made in step 1. Make two. Refer to the diagram for correct placement of half-square triangles.
3. Sew the remaining two half-square triangles to either side of the 1 1/2" square of fabric E. This unit measures 3 1/2" square when constructed and becomes the centre of the 6 1/2" unit to be constructed in the next step.

Sewing Instructions for Small Star:-

1. Make 4 flying geese by sewing fabric A background 2" squares to fabric C rectangles.
2. Sew 2" squares of fabric C to either side of two flying geese units and sew remaining two flying geese units to either side of the friendship star. This unit

measures $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square when constructed and becomes the centre of the $12\frac{1}{2}$ " star to be constructed in the next step.

Sewing Instructions for $12\frac{1}{2}$ " Star:-

1. Make 4 flying geese by sewing fabric B $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares to background fabric A rectangles.
2. Sew $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of background fabric A to either side of two flying geese units and sew remaining two flying geese units to either side of $6\frac{1}{2}$ " small star. This star block will measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

