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## STARBURST

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The first time I sketched out this block, it made me think of a firework or a starburst. It was a perfect way to showcase a few different fabrics in a simple block. I guess that is what I love most about it.

## CUTJJNG JNSTBUGTJONS:

(Please note: Diagrams show the block using (2) fabrics featured in opposite corners of the block. Cut units C-E according to the quantity of fabrics you wish to include.)


|  | $6 "$ Block | $12 "$ Block |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A: | (4) $11 / 2 "$ squares. | (4) $21 / 2 "$ squares. |
| B: | (8) 2" squares; draw a <br> diagonal line from corner to <br> corner on the wrong side of <br> each square. | (8) $3 "$ squares; draw a <br> diagonal line from corner to <br> corner on the wrong side of <br> each square. |
| C: | (8) $2 "$ squares. | (8) $3 "$ squares. |

## ASSEMBLY INSTBUCTIONS:

1. Begin block assembly by creating HST units. Place (1) B square with a drawn diagonal line with (1) C square, right sides together and edges aligned. (C squares may vary in color.)

2. Sew a $1 / 4$ " away from both sides of the drawn diagonal line.
3. Cut along the drawn line separating the two sides, creating (2) HST units.

4. Repeat to create (16) HST units. B/C HST units may vary in color. Use the following guide to trim HST units for each block size:
a. 6 " Block: $1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ unfinished ( $1^{\prime \prime} \times 1$ " finished)
b. 12 " Block: $21 / 2 " \times 21 / 2 "$ unfinished ( 2 " $\times 2$ " finished)

5. Create the center of the block using (4) D rectangles, (4) E squares and (1) F square. When sewing, press seams toward the center F square. Sew together as shown.
6. Use the following guide for block center sizes for each block size:
a. $6^{" \text { Block: }} 4^{1 / 2 \prime \prime} \times 4^{1 / 2 "}$ unfinished ( $4 " \times 4^{\prime \prime}$ finished)
b. $12^{\prime \prime}$ Block: $8^{1 / 2 "} \times 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ unfinished ( $8^{\prime \prime} \times 8^{\prime \prime}$ finished)

7. Arrange all B/C HST units and the block center created in the above steps as shown. HST units are turned throughout the block. If using more than (1) fabric print, place prints opposite one another as shown in the diagram.
8. Sew units together as shown in (3) horizontal rows.
9. Sew horizontal rows together to complete the block.
10. Trim block using the guide listed below:
a. $61 / 2 " \times 6 \frac{1}{2}$ " unfinished ( $6^{" \times} \times 6^{\prime \prime}$ finished)
b. $121 / 2 " \times 121 / 2 "$ unfinished ( $12 " \times 12 "$ finished)


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Variation Block: If you want to see a variation of this block with an 8" size, come over to the blog to see a few options!


