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## Cutting Instructions



## 16-Patch Star

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I love combining bits and pieces of different traditional quilt blocks. The 16-patch block is one that I always go back to again and again. It can be scrappy or coordinated, and any which way, it always looks great. When I was brainstorming star blocks for this creative challenge, I thought the patchwork squares could add such a nice visual texture to the center of a star. I hope you enjoy making this block!
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Use this block to plan color and fabric placement!
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## Piecing Instructions

## Step 1

On the wrong side of each B square, draw a line from one corner to the opposing corner as shown.
Place B and C squares right sides together. Stitch a scant $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ seam on both sides of the drawn line. Cut the square apart on the line to yield 2 HSTs, and press the seams to the darker triangles (C).

Repeat to make 8 B/C HSTs. Trim HSTs to 2" ( $6^{\prime \prime}$ block) or 3 ½" (12" block).


## Step 2

Sew 4 A squares together to make a four-patch unit.
Make 4 four-patch units measuring $2^{\prime \prime}$ ( $6^{\prime \prime}$ block) or $3 ½ 2^{\prime \prime}$ (12" block).


## Step 3

Lay out 1 A square, 2 B/C HSTs, and 1 four-patch unit as shown.
Join to make a unit measuring $31 / 22^{\prime \prime}$ ( $6^{\prime \prime}$ block) or $61 / 2^{\prime \prime}\left(12^{\prime \prime}\right.$ block). Repeat to make 4 units.


## Step 4

Join units as shown to make the full block. Trim to $6 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$ or $12^{11 / 2 " \text {. }}$


Get to know Alexia...

I know the stars have aligned when... Something I've created brings someone joy.

If I could wish on a star, I'd wish for... 6 to 7 puppies.

I'd be totally star-struck if I could meet...
Julia Louis-Dreyfus

Star Trek, Star Wars, or Dancing With the Stars? Star Trek.

I thank my lucky stars that...
I get to be creative every day.

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## Additional Coloring Blocks



