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# DESERT SONG 


Desert Song
Stars
with and without panel

# Desert Song Stars 

Finish size: 68" $\times 70$ "

## CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

## Background

From the yardage, cut the following:
(For easy piecing we suggest that you label pieces as they are cut.)

Largest Star HSTs: Cut 2 strips - $127 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF.

- From each strip, cut 2 squares - $127 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times$ $127 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ (4 total). Cut the squares once on the diagonal to make eight triangles. Use remainder of both strips for 8 " \& 12" stars. See below.
- 8" Star Flying Geese: From the 1st remainder, cut 2 strips $-5 \frac{1}{4} 4^{\prime \prime} \times$ approx. 15". From the strips, cut 4 squares $-5 \frac{1}{4} 4^{\prime \prime} \times 5 \frac{1}{4} 4^{\prime \prime}$.
- 12" Star Flying Geese: From the 2nd remainder, cut 1 strip - $714_{4}$ " $x$ approx. $15^{\prime \prime}$.
- From the strip, cut 2 squares $-71_{1} 4^{\prime \prime} \times 71_{4} 4^{\prime \prime}$.
- Then cut 2 strips - $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ approx. $15^{\prime \prime}$. Trim to measure $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 14 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$.

24" Star Flying Geese: Cut 1 strip - $13 \frac{1}{4}$ " $\times$ WOF.

- From the strip, cut 2 squares $-131_{1} 4^{\prime \prime} \times 131 / 4^{\prime \prime}$.

48" Star Corner Squares: Cut 1 strip - $121 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF.

- From the strip, cut 3 squares $-12 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 121 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

24" Star Corner Squares: Cut 2 strips $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF.

- From the strips, cut a total of 8 squares $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ $61 / 2$ "- 6 from strip 1 and 2 from strip 2.
- From the remainder of the second strip, cut 1 strip - $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ approx. $25^{\prime \prime}$ - and 1 strip 1½" x approx. 25"
- 24" Star Corner Squares - cont.
- Trim the $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strip to measure $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 241 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- From the $1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ strip, cut 3 strips $-1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 8 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$

12" Star Corner Squares: Cut 1 strip $-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF.

- From the strips, cut a total of 8 squares $31 / 22^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 22^{\prime \prime}$


## Filler Pieces

- Cut 1 strip $-81 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 42^{\prime \prime}$ WOF. From the strip, cut 4 rectangles - $7 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 8 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}{ }^{\prime \prime}$
- 12 " Star Flying Geese: From the remainder, cut 4 strips - $1 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 81 / 22^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 2 strips $-4 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. From the strips, cut the following:
- 1 strip $-4 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 14 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 1 strip $-41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 181 / 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 1 strip $-41 / 22^{\prime \prime} \times 28 \frac{1}{2} 2^{1}$


## Filler Pieces \& Outer Border

Cut a total 14 strips $-2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF.

- Outer Border: Set 8 strips aside for the outer border.
- From 1 strip - cut 1 strip - $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 281 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ and 1 strip - $2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$
- From 1 strip, cut 1 strip $-21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 14 \frac{1}{2}$ " and 1 strip - $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{1 / 2 " ~(2 ~ t o t a l) ~}$
- From 2 strips, cut 2 strips from each $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 161 / 2^{\prime \prime}(4$ total)
- From 1 strip, cut 1 strip - $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 18 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$
- 8" Star Corner Squares: From 1 strip, cut 16 squares $-21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$.


## Prints - Ouilt WITH Panel

Panel - New Mexico - 1331011
Using a rotary cutter or scissors, carefully separate
the images in the panel by cutting down the center of the sashing-border. Set aside for now.

Taupe Floral Print - 1330012

- Star Points: Cut 4 squares - $6 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 67 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.

Pink Floral Print - 1330015

- Cut 4 squares - $37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 3^{7 / 8^{\prime \prime}}$
- Cut 4 squares $-27 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$
- Cut 1 square $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ and 1 square $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 22^{\prime \prime}$

Pink Cactus Print-13303 16

- Cut 1 strip $131_{4} 4^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. From the strip, cut 2 squares - $131 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times 131 / 4^{\prime \prime}$
- Cut each square twice on the diagonal to yield 8 triangles.
- From the remainder, cut 8 squares $27 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}-$ and 2 squares $-41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Green \& Pink Tribal Print - 1330411

- Cut 1 strip 131/4" x WOF.
- From the strip, cut 2 squares - 131/4" $\times 131 / 4$ ". Cut each square twice on the diagonal to yield 8 triangles.

Pink Triangle Print - 1330515

- Star Points: Cut 4 squares $-67 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 67 / 8^{\prime \prime}$
- Cut 4 squares $-37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 37 / 8^{\prime \prime}$
- Cut 4 squares $-27 / 8^{11} \times 27 / 8^{11}$
- Cut 1 square $-61^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ and 1 square $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$


## Prints - Quilt WITHOUT Panel

Use the following cutting instructions if making this quilt without using the panel design in the stars.

## Taupe Floral Print - 1330012

- Cut 1 strip 13 $1 / 4$ " $\times$ WOF.
- From the strip, cut 2 squares - $131 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ $x 131 / 4$ ". Cut each square twice on the diagonal to yield 8 triangles.


## Navy Floral Print - 1330018

- Star Points - Cut 4 squares - $67 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 67 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 1 square $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 22^{\prime \prime}$.


## Navy Horse Print - 1330218

- Star Points - Cut 4 squares - $67 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 67 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 1 square - $61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 22^{\prime \prime}$.


## Green \& Navy Tribal Print - 1330412

- Cut 4 squares - $37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 37 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 4 squares $-27 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 1 square $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2$ " and 1 square $41 / 22^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 22^{\prime \prime}$.


## Navy Triangle Print - 1330518

- Cut 4 squares $-37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 37 / 8^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 4 squares $-2^{7 / 8} 8^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{77} 8^{\prime \prime}$.
- Cut 1 square $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ and 1 square $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 22^{\prime \prime}$.


## Taupe Plus Print - 1330612

- Cut 1 strip $131 / 4 " \times 42$ " WOF.
- From the strip, cut 2 squares - $13 \frac{1}{4} 4^{\prime \prime}$ $\times 131 / 4$ ". Cut each square twice on the diagonal to yield 8 triangles.


## Aqua Plus Print - 1330621

- Cut 8 squares $-2^{7 / 8} 8^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{71 / 8 "}$.
- Cut 2 squares $-4 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$.


## CONSTRUCTION

All seams are a scant $1 / 4$ " unless specified otherwise.

## Making the Largest Star (48" Finished)

Select the 2 sets of 8 print triangles - those cut from the $13 \frac{1}{4} 4^{\prime \prime} \times 13 \frac{1}{4} 4^{\prime \prime}$ squares.
Lay out the triangles as shown - make four of each.


Directional prints: the squares-triangles have been cut in a way that will allow the triangles to be laid out to maintain the directional alignment of the print.

Join the triangles to make four of each alignment.


Press the seams open.
Select the 8 background triangles cut from the $12^{7} / 8^{\prime \prime}$ $\times 12^{7 / 8 "}$ squares.

Join the background triangle to the pieced triangle as shown.


Press the seam toward the print - or press it open.
The triangle square will measure $12 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{1} 2^{\prime \prime}$.


Repeat to make eight half-triangle squares - four of each alignment.

## Making the Flying Geese

Use the following combinations to make the required sets of flying geese:

- $67 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 67 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ print squares and $131 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ background square.
- $37 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 37 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ print squares and $71 / 4^{" 1}$ background square.
- $27 / 8^{\prime \prime} \times 27 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ print squares and $51 / 4^{4}$ background square.
On the wrong side of the print squares, drawn a line from one corner to the opposing corner as shown.


Align two print squares in the corners of the background square as shown.

Stitch on both sides of the drawn
 line. Cut the square apart as shown.


Press the seams toward to print triangles.


Align one print square in the corner of each triangle as shown.


Stitch on both sides of the drawn line. Cut the square apart as shown.


Press the seam toward the print triangle.

Each set of squares will make four matching flying geese units.


The geese will measure $-21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ or $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2$ or $61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$.

## Trimming the Panel Squares

The rolling process for fabric can pull a piece out of shape, making the rectangles on a panel crooked. Less than perfectly straight rectangles can be gently pulled back in shape. Then press carefully to set.

Trim both large squares to measure $121^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ and two small squares to measure $61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{1 / 2 "}$. With right sides together, fold the square to be cut in half, matching up the inside corners of the image. Pinch to make a gentle fold, marking the approximate center of the rectangle. Do this on the width and length of the panel - on both sides.

Line up the centers with the $61 / 4$ "points on a large square ruler - or the $3 \frac{1}{4}$ " points for the small squares.

There should be between $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ and $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ of the colored border surrounding the image.

## Making the Sawtooth Stars

There are three sizes of sawtooth star in this quilt $8 "$ finished, $12 "$ finished and $24 "$ finished.

The following pieces are needed for each size star:


Lay out the parts for one star as shown.


- With Panel - The center square of the 24 " stars and two of the 12 " stars will be the panel images.

Join the parts to make three rows. Press the seams in the direction of the arrows.

Join the rows to complete the star.


Press the seams in the direction of the arrows - or press them open.

Repeat to make the following:

- 24 " stars - Make 2.
- 12" stars - Make 2.
- 8" stars - Make 4.



## ASSEMBLING THE QUILT TOP

Lay out the quilt top according to Quilt Layout Diagram 1 showing the sizes of the filler pieces.

Use Quilt Layout Diagram 2 for assembling the pieced sections. Just follow the plus-signs from smallest to biggest

This shows the placement of the background pieces for each subsection.

Press the seams toward the background sections and in one direction between the large half-square triangles that form the largest star.

Join the parts to make four large quadrants. Press the seams in one direction.

Join two sections to make two halves - press the seams in one direction.

Then join the two halves to complete the quilt top. Press the seam in one direction.

The quilt top will measure $661 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 641 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

## Quilt Layout Diagram 1



Each set of squares will make four matching flying geese units.


The geese will measure $-2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ or $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2$ or $61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 12^{1} / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

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## With right sides together, fold the square to be

 cut in half, matching up the inside corners of the image. Pinch to make a gentle fold, marking the approximate center of the rectangle. Do this on the width and length of the panel - on both sides.Line up the centers with the $6 \frac{1}{4}$ "points on a large square ruler - or the $31 / 4 / 4$ points for the small squares.
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## Desert Song

## Stars

a project featuring

The Desert Song Collection was inspired by the beautiful deserts of the American Southwest, focusing on four states: Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. The diversity of the flora and fauna of each state is showcased amidst abstract patterns that celebrate the native history of the region.

## FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

WITH PANEL - 68" X 70"


1330012
$1 / 2$ YARD


1330411
$1 / 2$ YARD


1330015


1330316
$1 / 2$ YARD

1330515
$1 / 2$ YARD


1331011
1 PANEL

BACKGROUND: 3¼ YARDS
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9900200

BACKING:


1330015
41⁄2 YARDS

BINDING:


1330411
5/8 YARD

WITHOUT PANEL - 68" X 70"


1330018
$1 / 2$ YARD


1330518
1 FQ


1330218 $1 / 2$ YARD


1330412 1 FQ


1330620 1 F8

## BACKGROUND: 3¼ YARDS



BINDING: \% YARD


## BACKING: 4½ YARDS


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[^0]:    ㄴ. • 8 " finished -4 matching flying geese $-2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ $\times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}, 1$ center square $-41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, and 4 background corner squares $-2 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$.
    $12^{\prime \prime}$ finished -4 matching flying geese $-31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ $\times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$, 1 center square $-6 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 22^{\prime \prime}$, and 4 background corner squares $-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$. 24" finished - 4 matching flying geese - $61 / 2$ " $\times 12^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}, 1$ center square $-12^{1 / 2 "} \times 12^{1 / 2} 2^{\prime \prime}$, and 4 background corner squares $-61 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$.

