

# Stripes & Stars Pillow



Cutting:

## Stars:

From **each** of five different Navy prints, cut the following:

- 4 squares -  $1\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $1\frac{7}{8}$ "
- 1 square -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Background:

- 20 squares -  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 5 squares -  $3\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{4}$ "

## Stripes & Sides:

Red - Cut 8 strips -  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 14"

Red - Cut 2 strips - 2" x 14"

White - Cut 8 strips -  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 14"

White - Cut 2 strips -  $2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 21"

All seams are a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

On the wrong side of the 20 navy squares -  $1\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $1\frac{7}{8}$ " - draw a diagonal line across the square from one corner to the opposing corner.

With right sides together, place two matching navy squares in opposite corners of a  $3\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{4}$ " background square as shown.

Stitch on both sides of the drawn line as shown.

Cut the square apart on the drawn line and press the seams to the Navy triangles.

With right sides together, place a matching navy square on the large background triangle as shown.

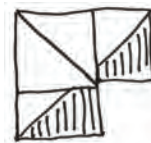
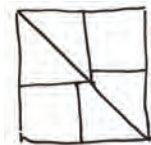
Stitch on both sides of the drawn line.

Cut the triangle apart on the drawn line and press the seam to the navy triangle.

Each background square and four navy squares will make four matching flying geese.

The geese will measure  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " - to finish at 1" x 2".

Make 5 sets of flying geese.



All seams are a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

For each star block, the following pieces are required:

- 4 matching flying geese units -  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 1 matching navy square -  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 4 background squares -  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "

Lay out the pieces as shown.

Join the parts to make three horizontal rows. Press the seams toward the background corner squares and the center print square - or press them open.

Join the three rows to complete the block. Press the seams toward the center row - or press the seams open.

The star block will now measure  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Repeat to make a total of 5 star blocks.

Lay out the star blocks in a row of 5. Join the five stars to make a row. Press the seams in one direction - or press them open.

The star row will now measure  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $20\frac{1}{2}$ ".

With the 2" x 14" wide red strips at the top and bottom, arrange the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x 14" red and white strips in alternating colors as shown in the picture.

Join the strips with a scant  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press the seams open.

The stripe panel will now measure 21" x 14".

Trim the stripe panel to measure  $20\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Join the star row to one side of the red & white stripe panel. Press the seam toward the stripe panel - or press it open.

Trim the two white strips -  $2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 21" wof to measure  $20\frac{1}{2}$ " long.

Join the strips to the two sides of the top - to the left of the star row and the right of the stripe panel. Press the seams to the white strip - or press the seams open.

The pieced top will now measure  $20\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $20\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Optional - quilt as desired.

Finish the pillow in your preferred method. Insert a 20" x 20" pillow form into the pillow and enjoy!

