



Americana - Stars and Stripes

Block Size: 9-1/2 inches (9 inches finished)

Fabric Colors: **Red** (R) top and bottom stripes; **white** (W) stars and middle stripe;
blue (B) stars background

Cut:

Stars: 3 1-1/2 inch square (white fabric)
 6 2-1/4 inch square (white fabric)

Stars Background: 12 1-1/2 inch square (blue fabric)
 6 2-1/4 inch square (blue fabric)

Stripes: 2 3-1/2 x 6-1/2 inch rectangle (red fabric)
 1 3-1/2 x 6-1/2 inch rectangle (white fabric)

On the back of white 2-1/4" squares draw a diagonal line. Pair each of these white squares with a 2-1/4" blue square, right sides together. Sew 1/4" on both sides of the diagonal line. Cut apart on the drawn line. Press and square up for 12 sets of 1-1/2" half-square triangles. Sew all 1-1/2" blue and white squares together to form stars as indicated in block drawing, forming three star sets. Square up each star section to 3-1/2". Sew rectangles together with white rectangle in center. Sew the star sections and stripes section together to complete your block.

TIP: Rulers with triangular markings are helpful in making half-square triangles.