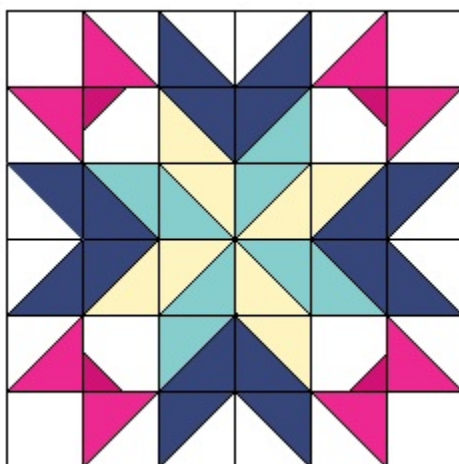


Silver Threads Shop Logo – 1999

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Silver Threads Quilt Shop
Customer-Designed
Shop Logo Block
1999

This block is better for those who have comfortably mastered accurate $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams and squaring up with a ruler such as **That Patchwork Place 8" Bias Square ruler**. [** I always recommend this ruler for use with half square triangles because it is the ONLY one on the market with continuous lines in two directions with $\frac{1}{8}$ " markings. This allows you to trim the tiniest amount accurately so that each triangle has sharp points. Your shop can order it from Checker, or you can find it online.**]

This block looks so nice when there are high value contrasts between the points of the 'stars' and the pinwheels in the center.

There are 28 half square triangle segments in this block. I'm going to give you tips for sewing them together so that the block presses smoothly.

There are 4 plain un-pieced squares and there are 4 single-corner snowballed squares, for a total of 36 little squares. Don't panic! You could make this as a four large block quilt with sashing between the blocks.....each square within the block could be as large as 4" finished, making each block 24".

Here I will be giving directions for a 12" finished block.

PER 12" BLOCK you will need:

Navy blue: 1 strip @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 29" subcut into 8 squares @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square

Magenta: 1 strip @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15", subcut into 4 squares @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square

Yellow: 1 strip @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15", subcut into 4 squares @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square

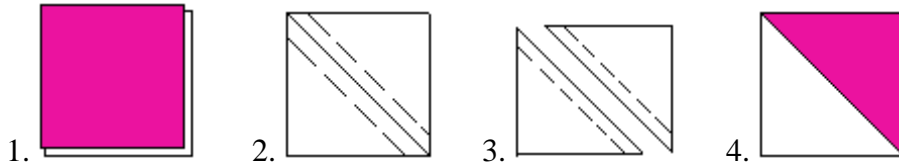
Aqua: 1 strip @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15", subcut into 4 squares @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square

White: 1 strip @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 15", subcut into 4 squares @ $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square

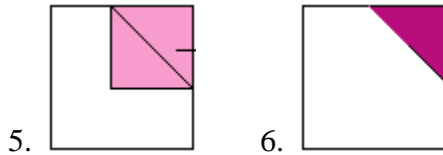
and 1 strip @ $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 21", subcut into 8 squares @ $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square Set 4 of these aside for much later.

Sewing the magenta point segments:

1. Layer each point fabric square right sides together with a background fabric square.
2. Draw a line across one diagonal. Sew ¼” on each side of the drawn line.
3. Cut on drawn line.
4. Press open. Using the 8” Bias Square ruler, trim to 2½” square being careful of keeping the diagonal line of the ruler on the diagonal seam of the block. Trim 2 sides, turn the block, trim the other 2 sides. Make 8 of these half square triangles.

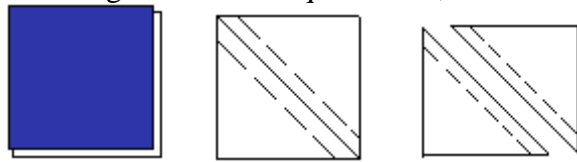


5. Layer a small magenta snowball square on one corner of 4 plain background squares right sides together. Draw a diagonal line on the snowball if you wish. Sew ON the line.
6. Press toward the corner. Trim out ONLY the middle layer of fabric, keeping the background fabric square intact for aligning to the next block segment.

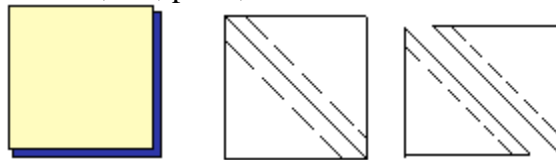


Sewing the rest of the star point and pinwheel segments:

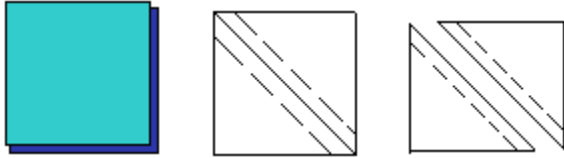
1. Layer 4 dark blue star point fabric squares right sides together with 4 background fabric squares. Draw a line across the diagonal. Sew ¼” on each side of the line. Cut on drawn line, press. Using the 8” Bias Square ruler, trim each segment to 2½”.



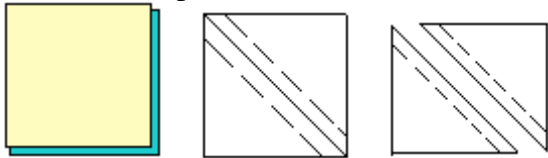
2. Layer 2 dark blue star point fabric squares right sides together with 2 pale yellow fabric squares. Sew, cut, press, trim as above.



3. Layer 2 dark blue star point fabric squares right sides together with 2 teal fabric squares.
Sew, cut, press, trim as above.

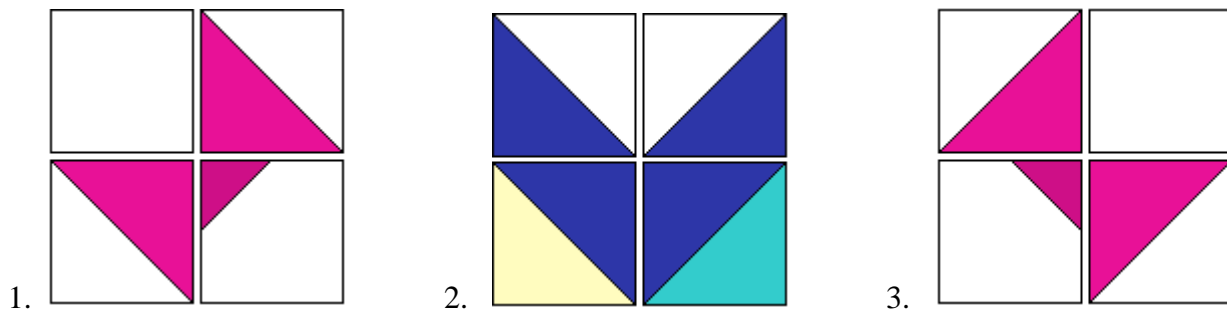


4. Layer 2 yellow fabric squares right sides together with 2 teal fabric squares.
Sew, cut, press, trim as above.

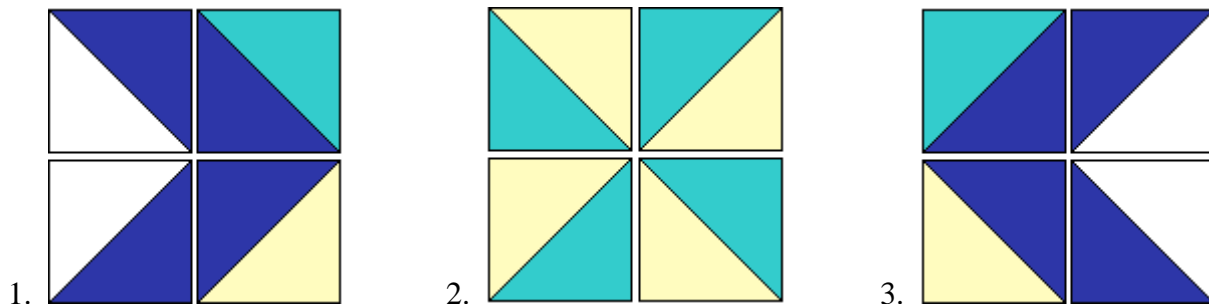


Sewing the block together:

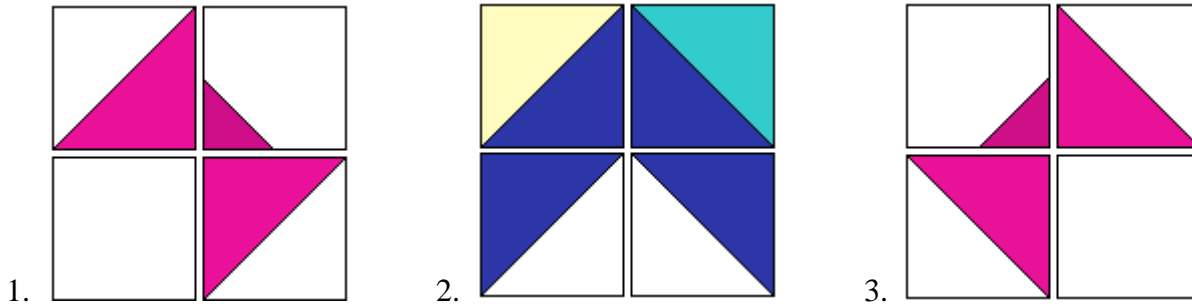
- A.** Sew these segments together. Press so that the seams on the back go in a clockwise direction. You can release one or two stitches between the seam and the edge of a block and give the seams a small twist to help them fall in the direction you want.



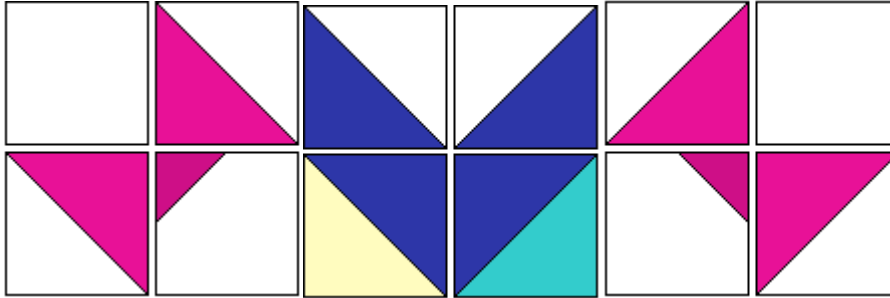
- B.** Sew these segments together. Press so that the seams on the back go in a clockwise direction.



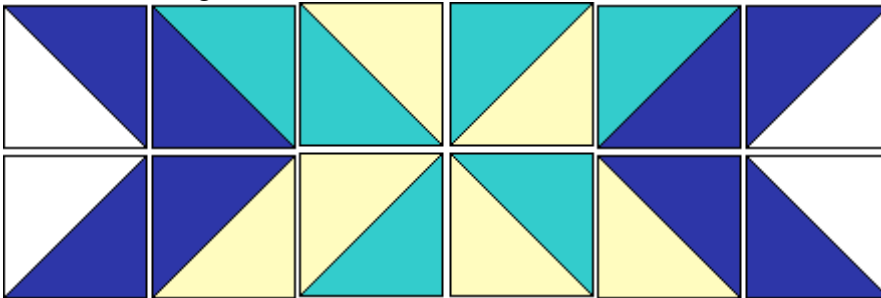
- C.** Sew these segments together. Press so that the seams on the back go in a clockwise direction.



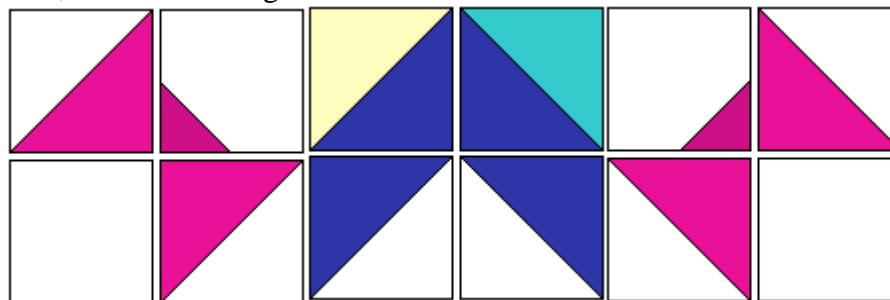
Now sew the “A” segments together into a row.



Sew the “B” segments into a row.



And, sew the “C” segments into a row.



Finally, sew the rows together. Where the segments join, press so that the seams on the back go in a clockwise direction. You can release one or two stitches between the seam and the edge of a block and give the seams a small twist to help them fall in the direction you want.