

Striking Stars Quilt

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Fabric Requirements

<u>Yardage</u>	<u>Fabric</u>	<u>Cutting Instructions</u>
1 yd	S12 Black	Qty 24- 5 ³ / ₄ " x 5 ³ / ₄ " square Qty 24- template A (triangle) Qty 5- desired width x WOF for binding
¼ yd	S01 Pink S02 Red S03 Fuchsia S04 Lavender S05 Orchid S06 Violet S07 Yellow S08 Gold S09 Orange S10 Brown S11 Grey S13 Ice S14 Sky S15 Blue S16 Royal S17 Green S18 Lime S19 Kiwi S20 Aqua	Qty 2- 1 ¹ / ₄ " x WOF Qty 2- 1 ¹ / ₂ " WOF Qty 2- 1 ³ / ₄ " x WOF
3 yds	Backing Fabric (photo above uses S07 Yellow for the Backing)	Qty 2- 1 ½ yd pieces
48" x 66"	Batting	

All seam allowances are ¼" unless noted

WOF= width of fabric

Making the striped fabric for stars and border

1. Randomly sew the different widths and colors of fabric together, lengthwise to make a piece of striped fabric approximately 80" long. Carefully press seams to one side after adding each one, making sure the seam stays straight.

2. First cut Qty 4, 4 ¼” strips across the length of the fabric (see diagram 1). Trim 2 of them to 54 ½” and the other 2 to 44”. Set aside for the outside borders.
3. From the remaining striped fabric, cut 48 of template B (diamond) staggered across the fabric (see diagram 1). Mark the corner * on each piece.

Block Assembly

Do not press blocks until they are fully assembled as the diamond and short sides of the triangle are bias and might stretch.

1. Sew diamonds together in pairs, down one side for * to *. Backstitch to anchor.
2. Sew triangle between two diamonds. Sew one seam from the outside edge of the block to the *, turn and sew the second seam from the * to the outside edge.
3. Sew the diamond pairs (same as step 1) from * to *. Backstitch to anchor.
4. Sew a square between two diamonds. Sew one seam from the outside edge of the block to the *, turn and sew the second seam from the * to the outside edge. You should have 12 pieces sewn together in the following order: diamond, inset triangle, diamond, inset square, diamond, inset triangle, diamond.
5. Take two of the pieces created in step 4 and sew the side with the diamonds from * to * matching where the 8 diamonds come together in the center.
6. There will be two places where the black squares need to be inserted to complete the block. Add these squares in the same way you did in step 4. Now you can press the block. The last seam is best pressed open to relieve some of the bulk where all the diamond points come together. Repeat until all 6 blocks are made.

Quilt Top Assembly

1. Sew a 4 ¼” x 54 ½” piece of the striped fabric to each of the long sides of the quilt. Press.
2. Sew a 4 ¼” x 44” piece of the striped fabric to the top and bottom of the quilt. Press.

Finishing

1. Sew the two, 1 ½ yd pieces together along the selvedge edge to make the backing.
2. Layer the backing, batting, and quilt top. Quilt by hand or machine, as desired. Sew the binding strips together to form one long strip. Fold the binding in half, lengthwise, with wrong sides together and press. Sew the raw edges of the binding to the edges of the right side of the quilt. Turn the folded edge of the binding to the back side of the quilt and stitch in place by hand, mitering the corners.

Diagram 1

4 1/4" 4 1/4" 4 1/4"



