

Estrella

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Finished size 50" x 50"

Using the large floral in the center, Estrella radiates out with flowers, circles, and the zinnias "growing" with the use of the border fabric for the outside borders. We have referred to the sections in the directions as "rounds." You will start with the center square, then go on to "round 1", round 2, and so on.



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Estrella – Materials Needed and Cutting Instructions

(all measurements based on accurate cutting, 1/4" seam allowance, and 42" wide strips)

1/2 yard for center – D1241-237	Cut 1 - 14 1/2" x 14 1/2" rectangle.
1/4 yard of each of the following Color Connectors for Round 1, Round 2, Round 4, and Round 7: red pink orange yellow green turquoise purple	Note: Cutting suggestion -- cut the 4 - 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" squares first. Then cut your 1 1/2" strips from the leftovers. For Round 1 cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 15 1/2" strip from each of the following colors: orange, turquoise, green, and pink. For Round 2 cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 17 1/2" strip from each of the following colors: red, purple, yellow, and turquoise. For Round 4 cut 4 - 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" squares from each of the following colors: red, orange, pink, purple, yellow, green, and turquoise. (You need a total of 28 squares.) For Round 7 cut the following: A - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 19" purple strip, B - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 26" purple strip, C - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 25" red strip, D - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 12" red strip, E - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 39" turquoise strip, F - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 5" turquoise strip, G - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 37 1/2" pink strip, H - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 9" orange strip, I - cut 1 - 1 1/2" x 32" orange strip.
1 1/3 yard of the zinnia stripe D1243-237 for Round 3 and Round 6	For Round 3 cut 2 - 3 1/2" x 18 1/2" and cut 2 - 3 1/2" x 24 1/2" strips. For Round 6 cut 4 - 6 1/2" x 42 1/2" strips.
1/3 yard stripe D1246-425 for Round 5	For Round 5 cut 4 - 2 1/2" x 34 1/2" strips.
1/8 yard of each of three little flowers for the circles: D1244-123, D1244-120, D1244-730	Cut 2" circles using the template from these three fabrics. You need a total of 28 - 2" circles.
3 yards for backing	
1/2 yard for binding	
56" x 56" quilt batting	

Estrella Instructions

BEFORE SEWING AND CUTTING, PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS TO FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THEM. (*1/4" seam allowance is included.*)

1. Start by sewing the 1 1/2" x 15 1/2" orange strip to the left hand side of the center. Sew to within an inch of the bottom of the center square. **Figure 1.**

Starting at the bottom left-hand corner of the center square, sew the 1 1/2" x 15 1/2" turquoise strip to the bottom of the center square, sewing to within an inch of the bottom right-hand corner of the center square. Go back to the orange strip and continue sewing it to the end of the strip. Press. **Figure 2.**

Starting at the bottom right-hand corner of the center square, sew the 1 1/2" x 15 1/2" pink strip to the right-hand side of the center square, sewing to within an inch of the top right-hand corner. Go back to the pink strip and finish sewing it. Press.

Starting at the top right-hand corner of the center square, sew the 1 1/2" x 15 1/2" green strip to the top of the center square. Go back to the green strip and finish sewing it. Press.

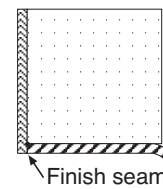
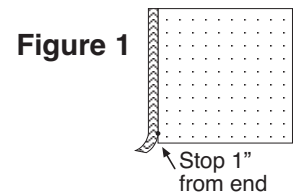


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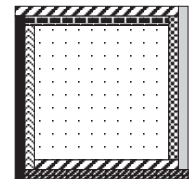


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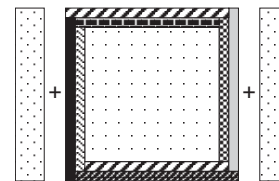


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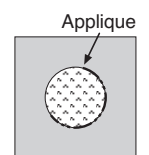


Figure 5

Round 2

1. Sewing in the same manner as you did Round #1 and starting at the top left-hand corner, sew the 1 1/2" x 17 1/2" purple strip to the center. Continue sewing almost to the end, then adding the 1 1/2" x 17 1/2" red strip to the bottom, the 1 1/2" x 17 1/2" yellow strip to the right-hand side, and the 1 1/2" x 17 1/2" turquoise strip to the top. Press. **Figure 3.**

Round 3

1. Sew a 3 1/2" x 18 1/2" Round 3 strip to each side of the center unit. Press. **Figure 4.** Sew a 3 1/2" x 24 1/2" Round 3 strip to the top and the bottom of the center unit. Press.

Round 4

1. Using the 2" circles, appliqué one to each of the 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" squares, using your favorite appliqué method. **Figure 5.**

Sew six of these squares together in random order.

Make two of these sets. **Figure 6.** Press. Sew to the sides of the center unit. Press.

Sew eight of the circle/squares together in random order. Make two of these sets.

Figure 7. Press. Sew to the top and the bottom of the center unit. Press.



Figure 6

Round 5

1. Sewing in the same manner as you did for Round 1 and Round 2 and starting at the top left-hand corner,

sew a 2 1/2" x 34 1/2" Round 5 strip to the center unit.

Continue sewing almost to the end, then adding a 2 1/2" x 34 1/2" Round 5 strip

to the bottom, a 2 1/2" x 34 1/2" Round 5 strip to the right-hand side,

and a 2 1/2" x 34 1/2" Round 5 strip to the top. Press. **Figure 8.**

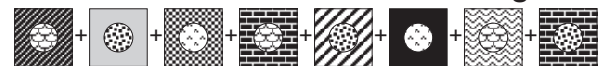


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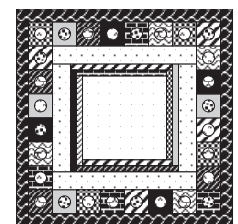


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Round 6

1. Sewing in the same manner as you did for Round 5 and starting at the top left-hand corner, sew a 6 1/2" x 42 1/2" Round 6 strip to the center unit. Continue sewing almost to the end, then adding a 6 1/2" x 42 1/2" Round 6 strip to the bottom, a 6 1/2" x 42 1/2" Round 6 strip to the right-hand side, and a 6 1/2" x 42 1/2" Round 6 strip to the top. Press. **Figure 9.**

Round 7

1. Sew E to D into one long lengthwise strip. Sewing in the same manner as you have been and starting with D at the top left-hand border, sew to the left-hand side, sew almost to the end.

Sew C to B into one long lengthwise strip. Sew this to the bottom, starting with C at the bottom left-hand corner. Sew A to I into one long lengthwise strip.

Sew this to the right-hand side, starting with A at the bottom right-hand corner.

Sew F to G to H into one long lengthwise strip. Sew this to the top of the center unit.

Press.

Layer, quilt, and finish the quilt.

We quilted circles all over the top of the quilt.

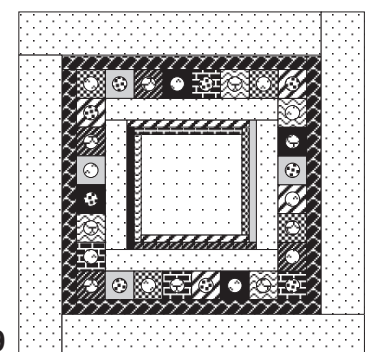


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