

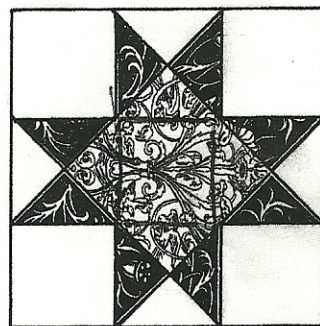
## BLOCK 6

### OHIO STAR, SHOO FLY, TEXAS, LUCKY STAR EIGHT POINT STAR, ETC.

Regardless of the name, this star is a perennial favorite. And it is very easy to make!

#### Cut the Following:

Background	Fabric A	4	4 ½" squares
	(light)	1	5 ¼"square
Star Points	Fabric B	2	5 ¼" squares
	(dark)		
Center	Fabric C	1	4 ½" square
	(medium)	1	5 ¼" square



**Editors Note:** I cut the squares used in making the Quarter Square Triangles 5 ½" (rather than 5 ¼") so that I can trim them to a perfect 4 ½" when complete. If you do not wish to trim and use 5 ¼" squares, make sure to use a scant ¼" seam allowance.

#### Make Quarter-Square Triangles

- 1 Place one 5 ¼" square of Light fabric (A) on top of one 5 ¼" square of Dark fabric (B), right sides together.
- 2 Draw a line diagonally. Sew a **scant ¼"** on either side of the line.
- 3 Cut the squares in half on the line and press toward the Dark fabric (B). **DO NOT TRIM YET.**
- 4 Repeat steps 1-3, using one 5 ¼" square of Medium fabric (C) and the other 5 ¼" square of Dark fabric (B). **DO NOT TRIM YET.**
- 5 You now have four (4) Half Square Triangles. (Two are fabrics A/B and two are fabrics C/B)
- 6 Place one A/B square on top of a C/B square, so that the seams are aligned and the B fabrics are opposite each other. That is, they are not on top of one another. Work the seams toward each other so they butt or "nestle".
- 7 Draw a line diagonally, in the opposite direction of the seam.
- 8 Hint: fold back the top square on the line, and make sure you have aligned the pieces properly.
- 9 Sew a scant ¼" on either side of the line.
- 10 Cut the squares in half on the line and press.
- 11 Trim to 4 ½" if necessary.

#### Assembly:

- 1 Layout your blocks (all are 4 ½") as shown in the picture above (making sure to match the center fabric)
- 2 Sew the 3 squares in Row1, and press seams in one direction.
- 3 Sew the next 3 squares of Row2, and press seams in the other direction.
- 4 Sew Row3, and press seams in the same direction as Row 1.
- 5 Sew the rows together, nestling seams.
- 6 Consider pressing seams open to reduce bulk.
- 7 Block should be 12 ½", unfinished.

# BLOCK 5

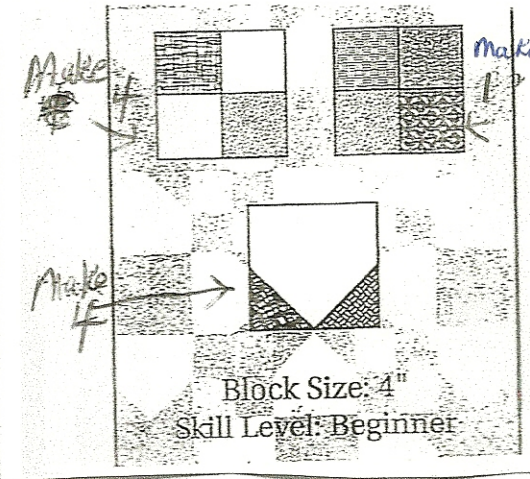
## FRIENDSHIP STAR

One star:

From background, cut 4 ea. 4 1/2" squares (star points)  
 cut 8 ea. 2 1/2" squares (4 patches)

From dark and/or medium  
 cut 20 ea. ~~xxxxxx squares (4 patches)~~ 2 1/2" squares (4 patches)

Sew a dark/med 2 1/2" to a corner of 4 1/2" background, trim, leaving a 1/4" seam allowance, sew another 2 1/2" square to adjacent corner, trim and press. Make 4 for each star. (NOTE: photo shows 2 stars with sashing between). The center 4 patch is made with 2 1/2" squares of dark/med. See Row diagram, each star is made with only 3 rows, row 1 and 3 always start with 4 patch and background square always points in to star points, unless you want to be really creative! This block uses only 3 basic units. See below



Row 1: Begin and end with a Four Patch block.



Row 1

Row 2: Begin and end with a folded corner block.



Row 2

1 Star

2nd Star

2. Sew the blocks together into rows. Press, then sew rows together, following diagram for placement. Press seam allowances in opposite directions from row to row.

