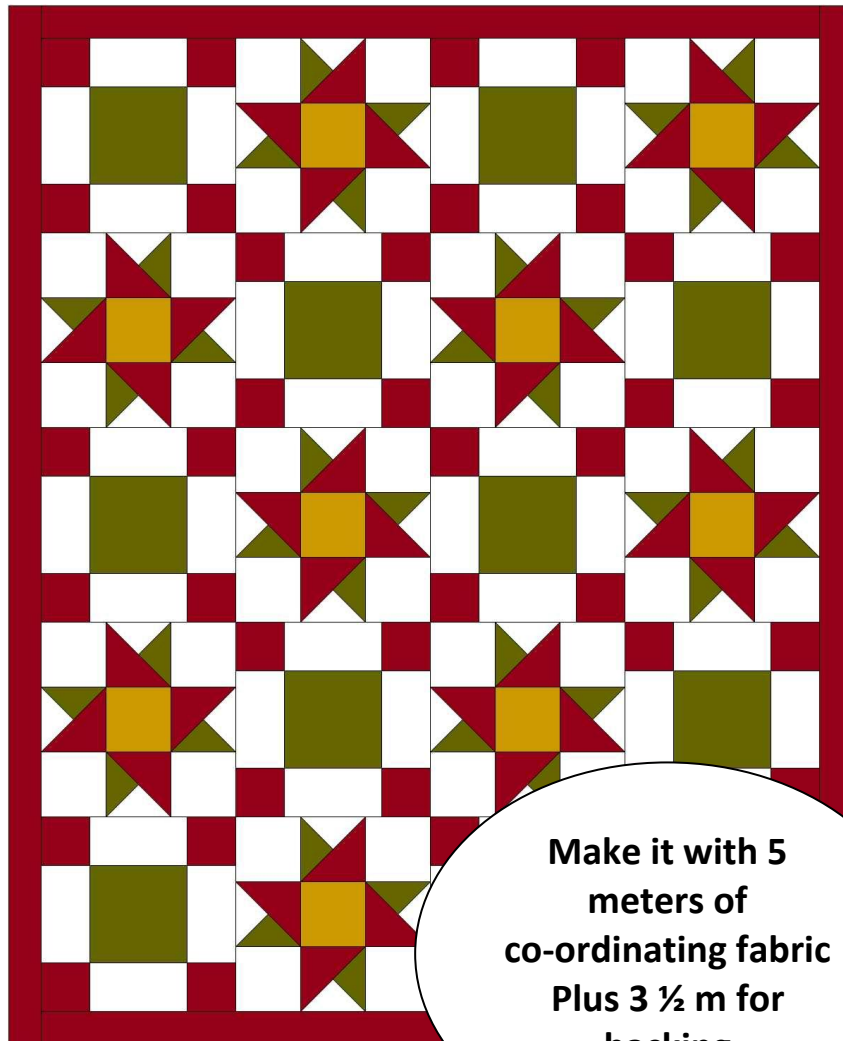


Star & 9 patch Quilt

52" x 64"



Make it with 5
meters of
co-ordinating fabric
Plus 3 ½ m for
backing

Materials List

- 1 ½ m background fabric
- 3 Co-ordinating fabrics of 1 meter each
- 1 Co-ordinating fabric of ½ meter
- 3 ½" meters for backing
- Wadding 62" x 78" minimum
- Sewing thread to match fabric



For scrappy quilt see requirement list



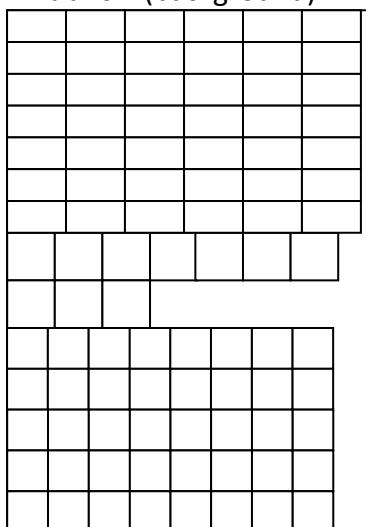
Cutting instructions:

WOF = Width of fabric (selvedge to selvedge)

Firstly iron any creases out of your fabric.

For cutting meters of fabric the WOF, I would suggest using the largest cutting mat you have ideally A2 size (24" x 18") so you can fold the fabric selvedge to selvedge and it will sit easily on your mat. Using your 24" x 6" ruler, you can easily cut the strips then with a 12" x 6" ruler or similar you can sub cut the strips into the desired sizes. Always square off the top edge first or the first strip will be wonky or miss-sized.

Fabric 1 (background)- WOF



7 strips 3 1/2" sub cut into 40 @ 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles

2 strips @ 5 1/4" sub cut into 10 @ 5 1/4" squares

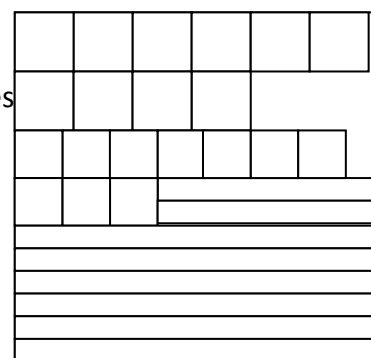
5 strips @ 4 1/2" sub cut into a further 40 @ 4 1/2" squares

Fabric 2 (Green) - 2 strips 6 1/2" strips sub cut into 10 @ 6 1/2" squares

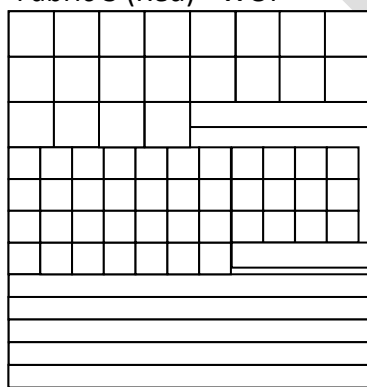
2 strips 5 1/4" strip sub cut into 10 @ 5 1/4" squares & 2 strips 2 1/2" from remaining width for binding.

6 strips @ 2 1/2" WOF for binding

Fabric 2 - WOF



Fabric 3 (Red) - WOF

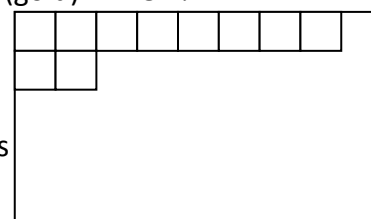


3 strips @ 4 7/8" sub cut into 20 @ 4 7/8" squares

4 Strips @ 3 1/2" sub cut into 40 @ 3 1/2" squares

5 strips @ 2 1/2" WOF for borders
Extra length can be cut from the leftover

Fabric 4 (gold) – WOF 1/2 m



Fabric 4 - 2 strips @ 4 1/2" sub cut into 10 @ 4 1/2" squares

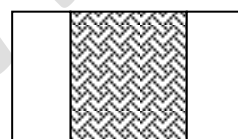
Requirements:

40 @ 6 ½" x 3 ½" rectangles – fabric 1 background
10 @ 5 ¼" squares – fabric 1 background
40 @ 4 ½" squares – fabric 1 background
10 @ 6 ½" squares – fabric 2
10 @ 5 ¼" squares – fabric 2
20 @ 4 7/8" squares – fabric 3
40 @ 3 ½" squares – fabric 3
10 @ 4 ½" squares – fabric 4
2 @ 52 ½" x 2 ½" border lengths – fabric 3
2 @ 60 ½" x 2 ½" border lengths – fabric 3
6 @ 2 ½" WOF strips for binding – fabric 2

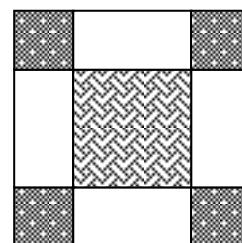
Piecing instructions:



1) Sew 3 ½" squares of fabric 3 to each side of 20 @ 6 ½" x 3 ½" fabric 1 rectangles. These make the top and bottom pieces of the 9 patch block. Press so the light fabric goes under the dark. So that the darker fabric doesn't create a shadow under the light.

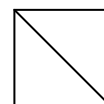


2) Take the 6 ½" fabric 2 squares and sew a 6 ½" x 3 ½" rectangle piece to either side. Press in the opposite direction to the above pieces so that the seams nest.

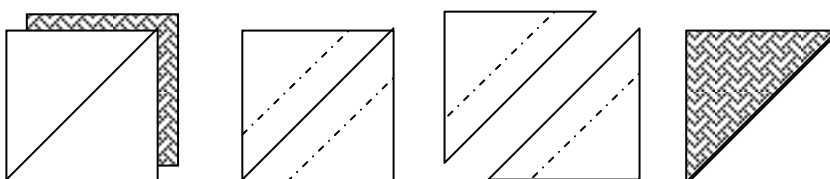


3) Sew the top, bottom and middle sections to each other, Nesting the seams to make the 9 patch block.

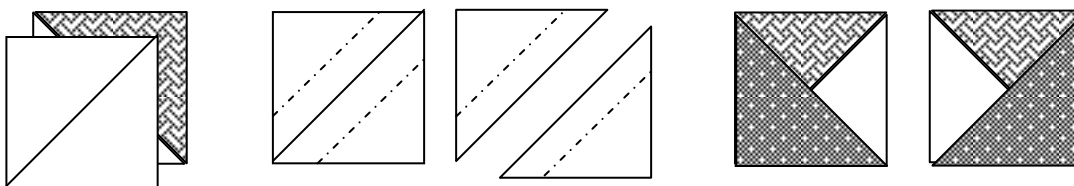
4) Take the 10 @ 5 ¼" squares of fabric 1 and draw a diagonal line across the back.



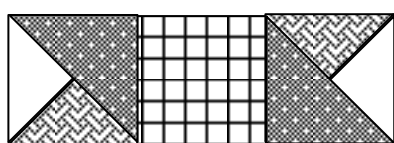
5) Take the 10 @ 5 ¼" squares of fabric 2 and the fabric 1 squares you've drawn on and place right side together on top as exactly as you can. Then sew a scant ¼" either side of the drawn line. Cut up the drawn line and press. You will have 20 Half square Triangles (HST'S)



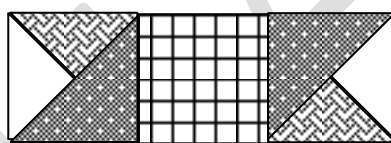
6) Now take the 20 @ 4 7/8" fabric 3 squares, draw a line diagonally across the back. Place on the HST pieces with the drawn line opposite to the seam and sew 1/4" either side of the drawn line as before and make Quarter Square triangles (QST). There will be two opposite pieces. But 40 in total.



7) You have 20 of each direction of QST make sure you don't mix these up. Take the fabric 4 @ 4 1/2" squares and sew with a scant 1/4" seam a QST to each side. The background fabric goes to the outside. Refer to diagram. Press middle seam out to edges.

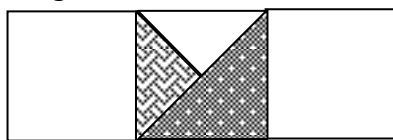


Make 5

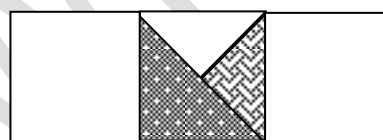


make 5

8) Take the 40 @ 4 1/2" fabric 1 (background) squares and sew one to each side of the remaining QST pieces to make the top and bottom of the Star block. Again the fabric 1 piece should be at the edge not in a seam. Press middle seam into the middle.

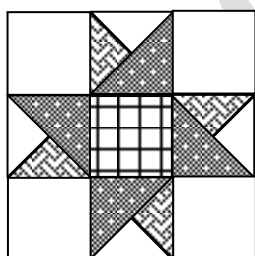


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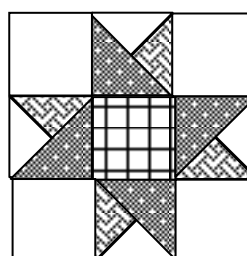


make 10

9) Sew the top, middle and bottom sections together, making sure you do not mix up the directions of the stars. The pressing helps nest the seams.

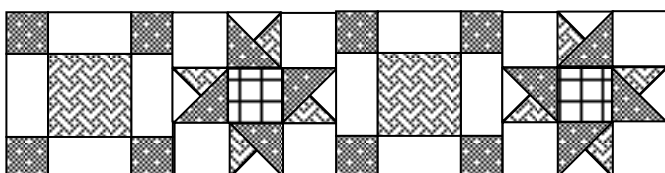


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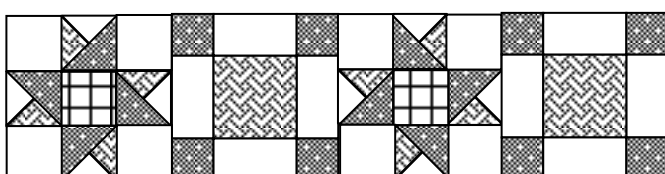


Make 5

10) Lay out the blocks, alternating the 9 patch blocks and the star blocks. Start with a 9 patch block as diagram. Then the star block for the next row and repeat. Play around with the star blocks and even out the two directions. See coloured diagram.



Rows 1, 3 & 5



Row 2, 4 & 6

11) Sew the blocks into rows by sewing together as laid out. When pressing, press one row left and the following right, then left again for the next etc. That will ensure your seams nest when you sew the rows together. Sew the rows together.

12) Measure the top and bottom of your quilt top. They should measure $52\frac{1}{2}$ ".

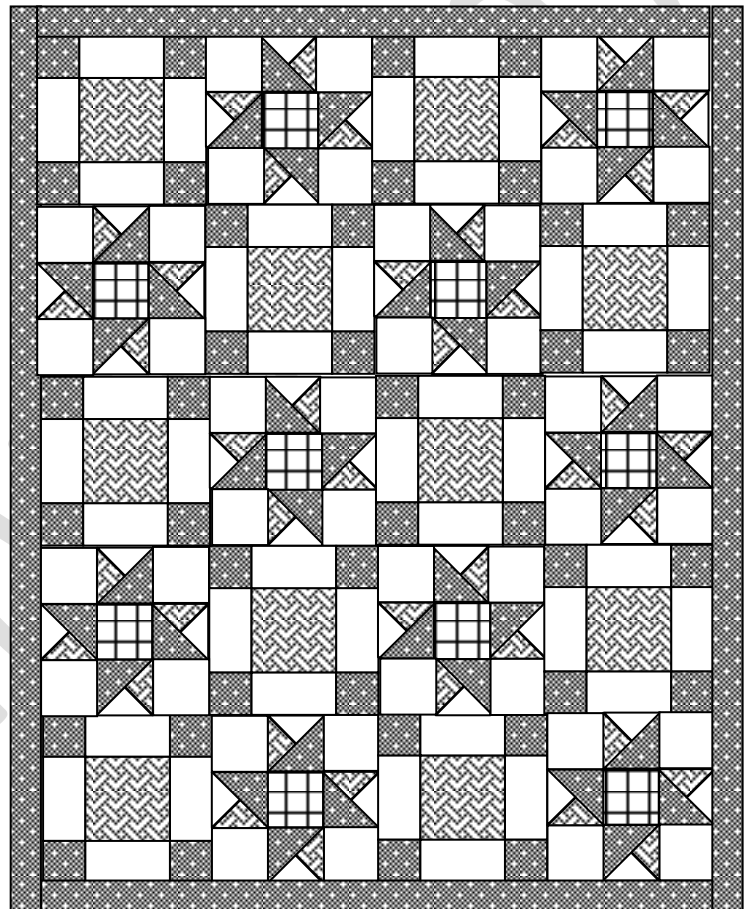
Sew together the fabric $3\frac{1}{2}$ " border strips to make the desired length and cut to size.

If one is slightly longer than the other make the border to the longest size and you can stretch it by fixing the border ends to the edges of the quilt top and pulling slightly as you pin so it expands enough, that when sewn the edges are the same length.

Pin well to hold in place so it matches the other side.

13) The borders for the sides should be $64\frac{1}{2}$ "

But again measure, join strips and cut to desired size.



For the backing there are several options: In total 58" x 70" at least.

This is to allow 3" either side of the quilt top (some recommend 8" either side especially if it's a big quilt and it is being long arm quilted).

Options

A) Flat sheet – purchase a flat 100% cotton sheet, single or double depending on your quilt size. But be aware that cheap backings will not last as long as the quilting cotton on the front and depending on the work you have put in and how long you want it to last it may not be the right choice.

B) Join two 42" WOF quilting cotton

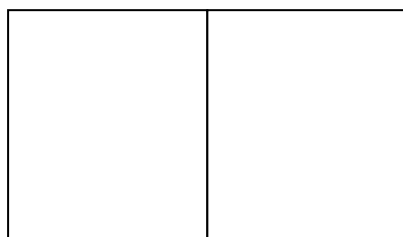
Normal quilting cotton is 42" WOF, some 40" some 44". 1m in length of fabric is 39"

1m x WOF is approx 42" x 39"

1 ½" m length x WOF = 42" x 58.5"

2m x WOF = 42" x 78"

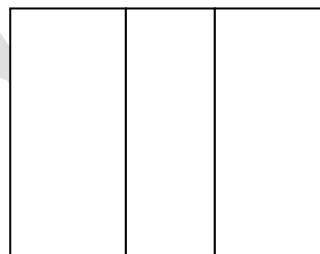
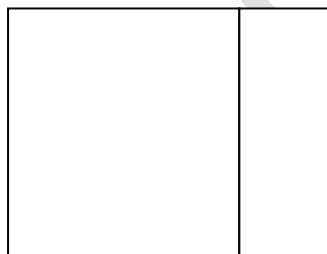
WOF = 42 Plus WOF = 42"



Total Area 83.5" x 78" the backing seam line would sit vertical to the quilt top.

C) Piece the backing with 1 @ 42" by 2m length of fabric and add a strip to one side, or the middle by cutting up the fold and inserting the extra.

WOF plus 18" allowing for seam **or** ½ WOF plus 18" allowing for seam then other ½ WOF



D) Make up the backing in any way using fat quarters, strips or squares of fabric, left over blocks but make sure you create a backing larger than the quilt top.

8) Create a quilt sandwich with the wadding, backing and quilt top. Pin or spray baste to secure and then quilt as desired.

9) Use 6 lengths of 2 ½" WOF strips to make a continuous length, joined on the diagonal is best, for the binding

Draw a line across the corner, Sew along the line and trim off excess, ¼" from the sewn line.

Press seam to one side and Press flat. Press in half and sew onto the quilt front with the raw edge against the raw edge of the quilt. Fold to the back and hand sew down.

