

Block of the Month - September 2023

Rising Star – Block 12



Fig 1

Carolyn's Star



Fig 2

Jan's Star

Cutting Instructions:

Background Fabric:

Cut 4 rectangles, $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " – Big Star flying geese sides.

Cut 4 squares, $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Big star- block corners!

Blue Star Points:

Cut 8 squares, $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " to sew on Big Star background rectangle to make big star points.

Center of Block, Little Star: Carolyn's red fabric, Jan's star fabric

Cut 1 square $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " – center of little star block.

Cut 8 squares 2" x 2" – use as star points in small flying geese in little star.

Background of Little Center Star: Carolyn's star fabric, Jan's red fabric.

Cut 4 rectangles, 2" x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " – side pieces for little star flying geese unit.

Cut 4 squares, 2" x 2" little star center block corners!

Piecing:

Lay out all pieces before sewing.

Sew small Star first. Using 4 rectangles (2" x $3\frac{1}{2}$ ") and 8 two-inch squares make 4 units. Follow the Flying Geese Directions below. Trim each unit to 2" x $3\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Sew Large Star: Using 4 rectangles of background fabric ($3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ") and 8 blue $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares, make 4 units. Follow the Flying Geese Direction below. Trim to $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Flying Geese Unit Directions:

The 4 rectangle side units on both the little and big stars are done with the flip and sew method.

Mark a diagonal line from corner to corner on 8 of the squares.

Place a square in the corner of one of the rectangles. Sew on marked line.

Press the bottom corner of the square into the upper corner of the rectangle.

Trim wrong side of seam to $\frac{1}{4}$ " from seam. Repeat in the other corner. Do on all 4 rectangles.

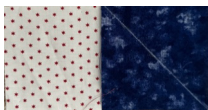


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Fig 4

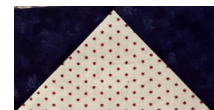


Fig 5

Finish Block:

Row 1 and Row 3: Sew corner background block to each end of Flying Geese Unit.

Row 2 Sew Flying Geese Unit to each side of center. See above. Trim Block to $12\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Watch direction of star point when sewing rows and pieces together.