



Starlight

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Use the [E-Z Miter tool](#) by Patti's Patchwork to quickly assemble this stunning lone star block

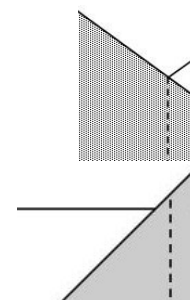
Finished Size: 12" square

Skill level: Intermediate ☒ = cut twice diagonally

| Fabric | Cutting Instructions |
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| A – plum (center) | ◇ Using Template 1 on next page as a guide cut 1 strip 18" x width-of-template. |
| B – royal blue (2 nd round) | ◇ Using Template 1 on next page as a guide cut 2 strips 18" x width-of-template. |
| C – aqua (3 rd round) | ◇ Using Template 1 on next page as a guide cut 3 strips 18" x width-of-template. |
| D – light pink (4 th round) | ◇ Using Template 1 on next page as a guide cut 2 strips 18" x width-of-template. |
| E – pale pink (5 th round) | ◇ Using Template 1 on next page as a guide cut 1 strip 18" x width-of-template. |
| F – mauve (star corners) | ◇ Cut 4 pieces using Template 2. |
| G – navy (ground) | ◇ Cut (1) 6¼" square ☒, 4 pieces using Template 3 and 4 pieces using Template 3Rev |

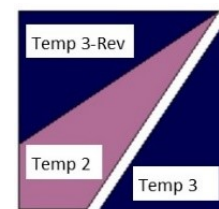
Piecing: All seams are ¼" unless noted. Press seams toward darker fabric unless noted.

Tip for aligning patches for sewing: When you have 2 patches to be sewn together and they are sloped at opposite 45° angles, they are correctly aligned when they meet at the ¼" seam line as shown at right. When you have 2 patches to be sewn together and only one is sloped at a 45° angle, they are correctly aligned when they meet ⅜" from the edge as shown below. However, sew them together with a ¼" seam.



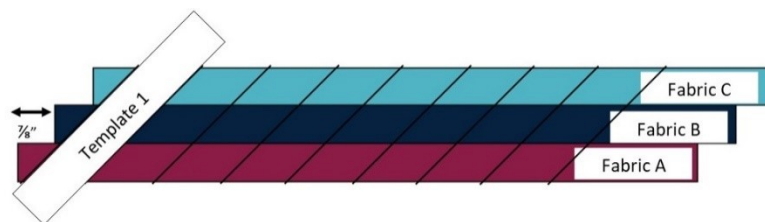
Piecing the Star:

1. Sew a Fabric G Template 3-Reverse piece to each Fabric F Template 2 piece along long angled edge; press seam toward Template 3. Sew a Template 3 piece to remaining angled edge of Template 2 piece; press seam toward 3.

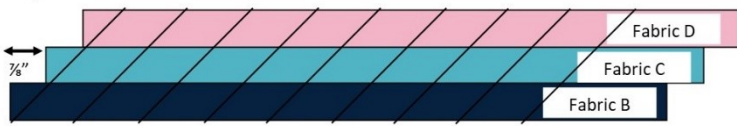


2. Lay a Fabric A strip flat on your sewing table. Lay a Fabric B strip right side down on the Fabric A strip, with the Fabric B strip ⅜" in from the end of the Fabric A strip. Pin the strips together at each end and at the mid-point; sew the strips together along one long edge. Finger-press the seam toward Fabric B with a Clover Hera Marker/wooden iron (watch my [YouTube video](#) here).

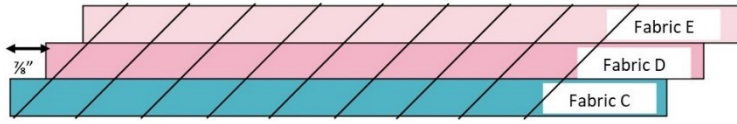
3. Pin a Fabric C strip to the Fabric B edge of the strip set above, with the Fabric C strip ⅜" in from the end of the Fabric B strip; sew strips together, pressing seam toward C.



4. Lay strip set on one of the horizontal lines on your cutting mat. Using the 45° on your ruler, trim the end of the strip set. Using Template 1, cut strip set into 8 segments.

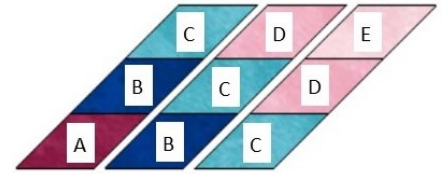


5. Repeat steps 1-3, putting the strips in order of Fabric B/Fabric C/Fabric D, pressing seams toward B, and cutting strip set into 8 segments.



6. Repeat steps 1-3, putting the strips in order of Fabric C/Fabric D/Fabric E, pressing seams toward E, and cutting strip set into 8 segments.

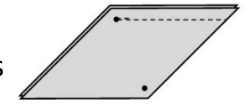
7. Arrange segments as shown. With right sides together, pin a segment from step 5 to a segment from step 4, matching each seam at the sewing line (not at the edge); stitch from end to end. Add a segment from step 6 in a similar manner. Gently finger-press seams toward step 4 segment. Make 8 matching diamond units.



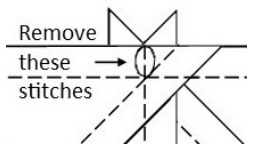
8. On the wrong side, lay the E-Z Miter tool in the wide-angled corners of each diamond unit aligning tool with edges; mark a dot at the drilled hole using a pencil or disappearing marker.



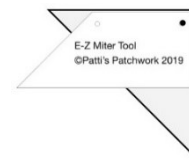
9. Referring to the quilt image below, lay 2 units right sides together with the Fabric A diamond at the inner tip, aligning the dots. Sew from dot (secure stitches) to inner edge; press seams to one side. Sew into pairs, then sew pairs together. Sew the 2 halves together, sewing from dot to dot matching seams at center.



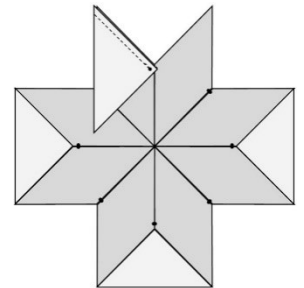
Tip: Remove the stitches in the seam allowance on both sides and press the seams in a counter-clockwise direction, “smooshing” the center in the same direction with your thumb.



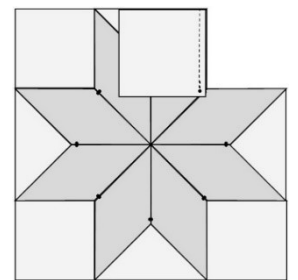
10. On the wrong side of each Fabric G setting triangle, lay the square corner of the E-Z Miter Tool in the square corner; mark a dot.



With right sides together, pin a triangle to each edge of star, aligning the outer point of the diamond unit with the triangle point and matching dots at the inner edge. Sew from outer edge to inner dot; backstitch. Repeat on adjacent triangle edge.

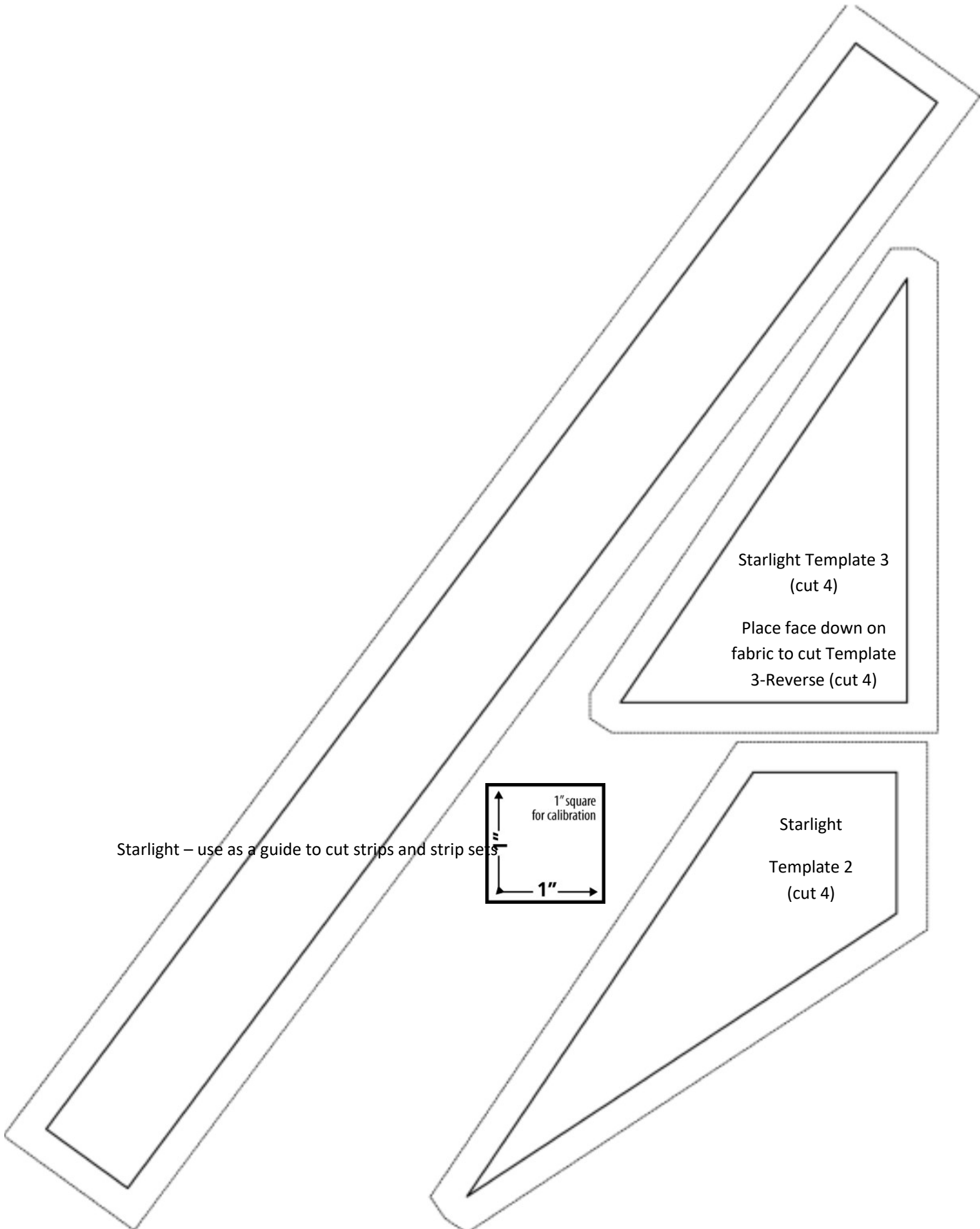


11. With E-Z Miter Tool, mark a dot at inner (Fabric F) corner of each corner block. Align outer edge of quilt with outer edge of block and match dots at inner edge; sew from outer edge to dot (backstitch). Repeat on adjacent edge.



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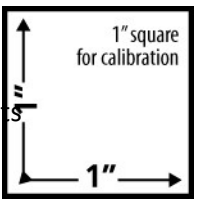




Starlight Template 3
(cut 4)

Place face down on
fabric to cut Template
3-Reverse (cut 4)

Starlight
Template 2
(cut 4)



Starlight – use as a guide to cut strips and strip sets