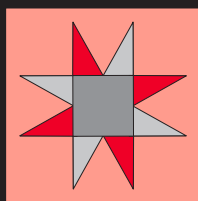


NON-SLIP Strippy Stars Tool

Quickly make perfect "floating" star point units from squares and strips in eight sizes!

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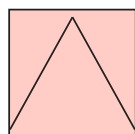
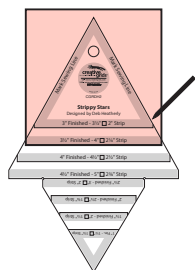
Quickly and easily make star point units in 8 sizes from squares and strips. Units "float" so that you do not have to worry about cutting off your points when you put the blocks together.

Unfinished Block Size.	Finished Block Size.	* Cut (4) squares for star points sections; (4) for corners; and (1) for center.	Cut strips at least this wide for star point.
14"	13 1/2"	5"	2 3/4"
12 1/2"	12"	4 1/2"	2 1/2"
11"	10 1/2"	4"	2 1/4"
9 1/2"	9"	3 1/2"	2"
8"	7 1/2"	3"	2"
6 1/2"	6"	2 1/2"	1 3/4"
5"	4 1/2"	2"	1 1/2"
3 1/2"	3"	1 1/2"	1 1/4"

1. To make one star block, cut 9 squares as indicated in chart above.* Mark the **wrong side** of four of the star point fabric squares using the Strippy Stars Tool. (HINT: Use a fine point marking pencil or pen that **DOES NOT IRON AWAY** to trace the triangle onto the fabric squares. These will be your stitching lines.)

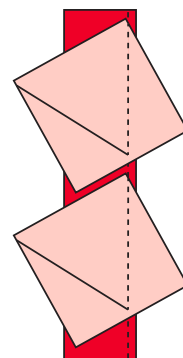
Select the appropriate size of triangle for your project on the Strippy Stars Tool and line up the marked line on the edge of the fabric square. **NOTE: The point should be 1/4" away from the opposite edge of the fabric square as this will become your 1/4" seam allowance when the blocks are sewn together.**

ALSO NOTE: The lines you trace from the triangle will not go all the way into the corners. This allows the star points to "float".

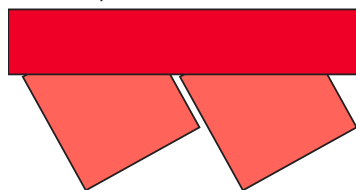


2. Place a fabric strip **right side up** and the marked fabric square **wrong side up**. Tilt the marked fabric squares so that the drawn line is positioned 1/4" from the edge of the strip. (HINT: the tip should be facing toward you.)

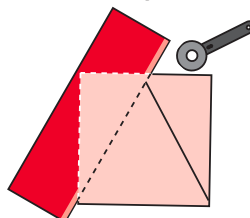
Leave roughly 1/4" between squares as you place them on the strip. Stitch down the strip - sewing one side of each triangle. (HINT: Continue to stitch - don't stop at the end of each triangle.)



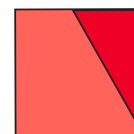
3. Place the squares right side up on your ironing surface and press the strip back over the tips of the squares. (HINT: Be sure to keep the background square flat.) Or, you may opt to "rough cut" the blocks apart so they are easier to press.



4. Turn the chain-pieced squares over and place on cutting mat. To cut the units apart, use a straight edge to trim the fabric strip even with the original square. (HINT: You do not need to trim away the layer of fabric under the star point.)



wrong side of fabric

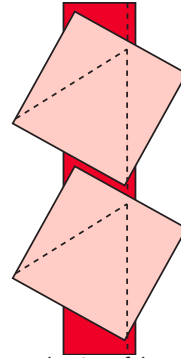


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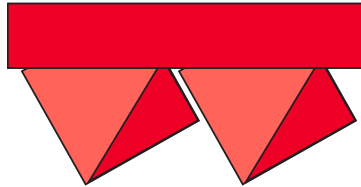
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5. Repeat this process to complete the other star point: Place the fabric strip **right side up** and the squares completed in Step 4 **wrong side up**. Tilt the marked fabric squares so that the drawn line is positioned $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge of the strip. (**HINT: the tip should be facing away from you.**)

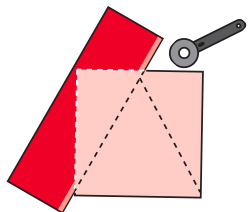
Leave roughly $\frac{1}{4}$ " between squares as you place them on the strip. Stitch down the strip - sewing one side of each triangle. (**HINT: Continue to stitch - don't stop at the end of each triangle.**)



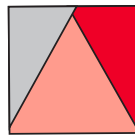
6. Place the squares right side up on your ironing surface and press the strip back over the tips of the squares. (**HINT: Be sure to keep the background square flat.**)



7. Turn the chain-pieced squares over and place on cutting mat. To cut the units apart, use a straight edge to trim the fabric strip even with the original square to complete one star point unit. (**HINT: You do not need to trim away the layer of fabric under the star point.**) The unit is now complete.



wrong side of fabric



right side of fabric

8. Arrange the units as shown below to complete the block. (**HINT: When sewing the block, place the wrong side of the star point squares on top so you can see where the stitching lines for the $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance cross on the wrong side of the star point square.**)

