

KAFFE STARS

with Floating Points & BONUS Kite Tail Border

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Finished Size: 47 x 71"



Fabric Requirements:

Prints: 6- 1/4 yards

Near-solids: 6- 1/4 yards

Border 1: 1/2 yard

"Sandwich" Border for bonus Kite Tail: 3/8 yard

Outside Border: 3/4 yard

Binding: 1/2 yard

Backing: 3 yards

Cutting Instructions:

Take one printed 1/4 yard and the coordinating solid 1/4 yard and layer on your cutting surface. Cut a 7 1/2 inch strip WOF, unfold and lay flat. Using the diagram below, make the following sub-cuts:

1 – 6" square

2 – 6" sub-cut to 4 – 3 3/4 x 6"

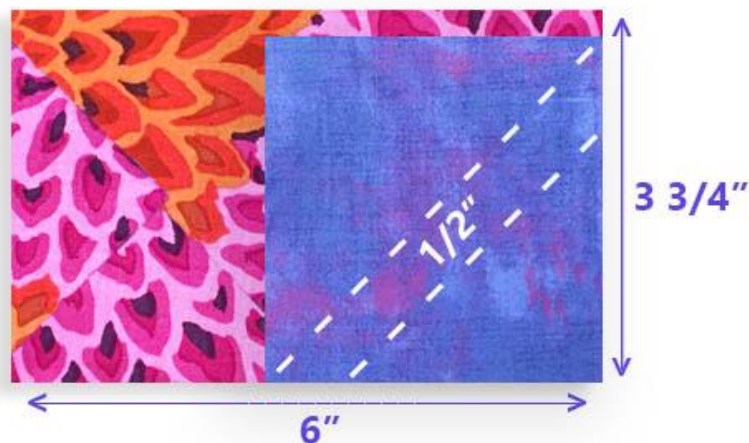
2 – 3 3/4" sub-cut to 4 – 3 3/4" squares

4 – 3 1/2" sub-cut to 8 – 3 1/2" squares

6" Square	6 x 3 3/4"	6 x 3 3/4"	3 3/4" Square	3 3/4" Square	3 1/2" Square	3 1/2" Square	3 1/2" Square	3 1/2" Square	7 1/2"
	6 x 3 3/4"	6 x 3 3/4"	3 3/4" Square	3 3/4" Square	3 1/2" Square	3 1/2" Square	3 1/2" Square	3 1/2" Square	

Repeat with remaining paired prints and coordinating solids.

On the backside of all of the 3 1/2" squares, draw a diagonal line from corner to corner. Draw a second line 1/2" away from the first line (see diagram below):



Sewing Instructions:

Place one 3 ½” solid square on the lower right corner of the 3 ¾ x 6” printed rectangles with right sides together. Sew along both drawn lines. Fold the top half of the 3 ½” square along the diagonal stitching line and steam press flat. The corners of the square and the rectangle background should match. Open up the fold and cut the 2 lower layers right between the 2 stitching lines. The part you have trimmed off is a half-square triangle that will be used in the Kite Tail border.

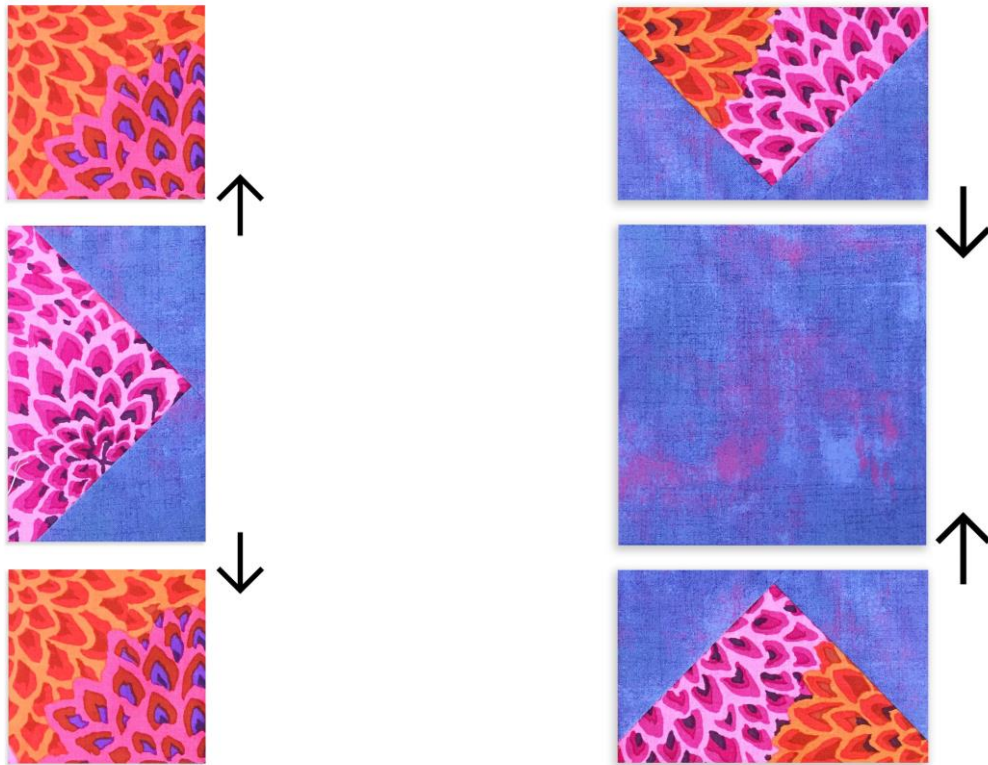


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Now place another solid 3 ½” square onto the lower left corner of the rectangle unit. Stitch along both drawn lines. Fold the top half, iron, and trim as you did with the right side square. The finished rectangle unit should now measure 3 ¾ x 6”. Repeat the process to make 3 more identical star point units. Set all half-square triangles aside for later.



To make your star block, sew a 3 ¾” printed square to top and the bottom of a star point unit as shown below. Press seam allowances away from the middle. Repeat for the other side of your star block. Sew star point units to the top and the bottom of the 6” solid square.



Stitch a side unit to either side of the center unit to finish your star. Press seam allowances as shown in the diagrams below. Your block should measure 12 1/2" inches.



Repeat this process, but reverse it so that the printed fabric makes up the star, and the solid makes up the background.

Repeat, making the other five print/solid star combinations. Lay out your stars in a 3 x 4 block quilt top and stitch into rows, then stitch rows together as shown below:



To make the optional Kite Tail border, take the half-square triangles and iron them open with the seam allowance pressed to one side, and trim off the dog-ears. You will need a total of 68 half-square triangles. Using the picture below, stitch 17 half-square triangles into a row. Make another row and sew the rows together. For your "Sandwich" border, cut 5 strips @ 1 1/2" WOF. Sew around your half-square triangle row. Your row should now measure 40 1/2" wide. Repeat to make a second Kite-Tail border.



Cut first border into 5 strip @ 2 ½" WOF and stitch all around the quilt top. Stitch the Kite-Tail border to the top and the bottom of the quilt. Cut outer border into 6 strips @ 4" WOF and stitch all around your quilt. Quilt, bind, and enjoy!



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