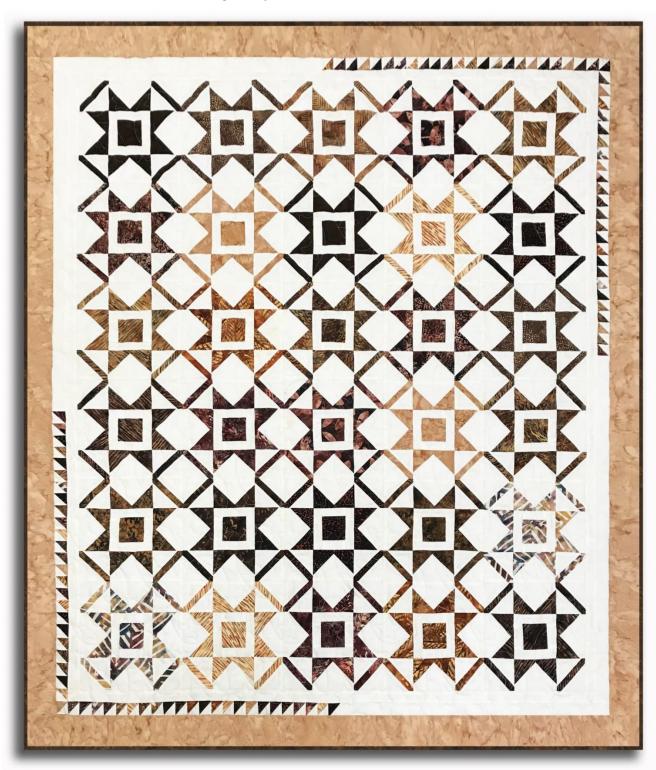
New Year's Star

Finished Size 50 x 59"

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Fabric Requirements for the quilt above
30 - 10" Layer Cake Squares OR 30 - 2 ½" Jelly Roll Strips
3 Yards - Background & Inner Borders
½ Yard - Outside Border
½ Yard - Binding
3 ¼ Yards - Backing

Fabric Requirements for ONE New Year's Star block 1 - 10" Layer Cake Square OR 1 – 2 ½" Jelly Roll Strip 3" Width of fabric (WOF) strip background Use the diagrams below to cut your layer cake or jelly roll strip into the pieces needed for one New Year's Star block.

10" Square Cutting Diagram

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2 ½" Squares			1 x 5" Strips		
			1 x 5"		

2 1/2" Strip Cutting Diagram

2 1/2"				
Squares			1 x 5" Strips	
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For each block you need one strip of background fabric cut at 3" the width of the fabric and then the sub-cuts below.

	3"	3"	3"	3"	4"	4"	4"	4"	4"	2 ½"	
3"										1 ¼" 1 ¼"	
	44" (WOF)										

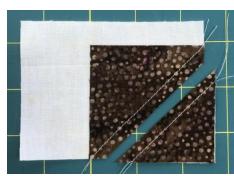
For the center of the block gather one print $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square, 2 of the $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " background rectangles, and 2 of the $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x 4" background rectangles and stitch together as shown below. Press seams toward the center. The block will measure 4" square.

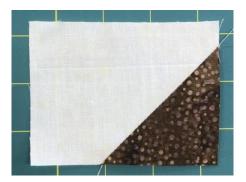




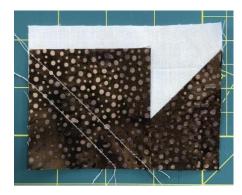
To make the star points, gather 8 of the print 2 ½" squares and 4 of the 4 x 3" background rectangles. Draw a diagonal line on the back side of the 2 ½" squares. Place a square on the lower right-hand corner of a background rectangle and stitch along the drawn line. Stitch again ½" away from the first stitching as shown below. You can simply estimate your ½", or you can draw a second line to stitch on if you prefer. Cut between the two stitching lines and press the print toward the lower right corner. Set aside the half square triangle for the optional Saw Tooth border.

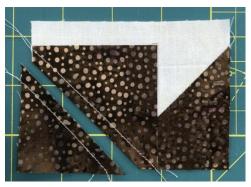






Repeat the process with a print square on the lower left corner as shown below. Make 4 of the star point units which will measure 4 x 3".





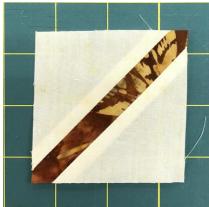


For the corner squares gather 4 of the print 1 x 5" rectangles and 4 of the 3" background squares. Cut each of the background squares along one of the diagonals to give 2 triangles. Center a triangle on top of a print rectangle and stitch as shown below. Press seams toward the triangle. Place a second triangle along the opposite edge of the rectangle making sure to center it, and stitch. Press seam toward the triangle. Trim off the excess print from each corner. Repeat to make 4 of the blocks which will measure 3" square.









Lay out the center, the star point units and the corner units and stitch together as shown below. Press the seam allowances on the top and bottom rows *away* from the center, and the seam allowances on the center row *toward* the center. Then when you stitch the rows together, press the seam allowances *away* from the center.



Repeat to make 30 blocks. Lay out 6 rows with 5 blocks in each row. You can turn every other block so that all your seam allowances will nest making stitch the blocks together easier.

Stitch the blocks into rows and stitch the rows together.

Inner border – cut 8 @ 1 ½" WOF. Stitch onto all 4 sides of the quilt. Reserve the excess for the Saw Tooth border below.

Optional Saw Tooth Border

Take the half square triangles (HST) set aside from making the star point units and press open. Trim down to 1 ½" taking care to trim away the section that has the extra seam allowance as shown in the pictures below. Trim off the dog ears.





Stitch 24 of the HSTs into a border.



Add enough of the 1 ½" background border to get enough length to make it as long as the quilt. Stitch onto the left side of the quilt as shown in the picture of the finished quilt. Repeat for the right side. Use the same procedure for the top and bottom borders.

Outside border - cut 6 @ 2 ½" WOF. Stitch onto all 4 sides of the quilt.

Quilt, bind, and enjoy!



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