The Stars in Mama’s Kitchen
Quilt design and instructions by Darlene Zimmerman

FINISHED QUILT SIZE: approx. 50” square

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:
Mama’s Kitchen Prints of your choice: 8 fat quarters
Background: 2¼ yds (5606-CW2)
Binding: ½ yd (5603-CW4)
Backing: 3¼ yds (5607-CW4)

SUGGESTED TOOLS: Easy Angle™ and Companion Angle™, tools by EZ Quilting by Wrights

CUTTING AND ASSEMBLING THE LARGE STARS:
From the background print: Cut 4 strips 2½” x 42”. Cut into 64 squares 2½” x 2½”.
Cut 5 strips 2½” x 42”. Cut into 64 Companion Angle* triangles.
(If you are not using Companion Angle, cut 16 squares 5¼” x 5¼”. Cut twice on the diagonal.)

From each fat quarter: Cut 2 squares 4½” x 4½”.
Cut 2 strips 2⅞” x 21”. Cut into 16 Easy Angle triangles.
(If you are not using Easy Angle, cut eight 2½” squares, cut once on the diagonal.)

Step 1
1. Sew a small print triangle to the right edge of the background triangle. Press toward the print triangle. Repeat on the adjacent edge. Press. Make 64 of these “flying geese” units.
2. Sew matching flying geese units to opposite sides of a large print square. Press toward the square. Repeat for each of the large squares. Make 16.
3. Sew background squares to both ends of two more matching flying geese units. Press toward the squares. Sew to the sides of the Step 2 units, making 16 star blocks. Press toward the centers.

Step 2

Step 3

CUTTING AND ASSEMBLING SASHING AND SMALL STARS:
From the background print: Cut 6 strips 2½” x 42”. Cut strips into 24 sashes 2½” x 8½”.

From seven fat quarters: Cut 1 square 2½” x 2½”. Cut 8 squares 1⅝” x 1⅝”.

From one fat quarter: Cut 2 squares 2½” x 2½”. Cut 16 squares 1⅝” x 1⅝”.

Small Star Points

1. Arrange the star blocks in 4 rows of 4 blocks, with background sashing rectangles between the blocks, and horizontal sashing rows with print cornerstones. (Refer to quilt photo.)
2. Sew 1½” print squares to the corners of the sashing rectangles to make the small star points. (Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of the small squares. Stitch on the marked line, trim seam allowance to ¼” and press.) Match the star point prints to the star center!
3. Sew the blocks and sashing together in rows. Press the seams toward the sashing. Sew the rows together, pressing toward the sashing rows.

FINISHING THE QUILT:
From the background print: Cut 4 strips 2⅞” x 42”. Cut into 80 Easy Angle triangles*. Also, cut 8 squares 2⅛” x 2⅛”.
Cut 9 strips 2½” x 42” for inner and outer borders.

From each fat quarter: Cut 1 strip 2½” x 21”. Cut into 10 Easy Angle triangles*.

(*Layer 2½” or 2¾” if not using Easy Angle) print and background strips right sides together and cut Easy Angle triangles. They are then ready to chain-sew.)

1. Measure, cut and sew 2½” inner background print borders to quilt top. Press.
2. Assemble 80 triangle squares. Sew together in 8 units of 10 triangle squares, 4 units pointing right, 4 units pointing left. Join a right and a left unit with a background square between them. Press. Sew two pieced borders to the top and bottom of the quilt. Press. Add background squares to the ends of the remaining pieced borders and sew to the sides of the quilt. Press.
3. Measure, cut and sew 2⅛” outer background print borders to the quilt top. Press.
4. Quilt as desired. Bind with 2½” bias binding stitched with a ¼” seam.
5. Sign and date your quilt!