## DANCING STARS

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Finished quilt measures: 56 " $\times 64$ "

Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42" wide.

Color Fabric | Name/SKU |
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- Read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ unless otherwise noted.
- Press seam allowances open unless otherwise noted.
- Width of fabric (WOF) is equal to at least 42" wide.
- Right sides together has been abbreviated to RST.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!


## Cutting Instructions

## From Fabric A, cut:

- eight 3 " $\times$ WOF strips. Subcut:
- one hundred eight 3" squares for the HSTs
- four 2-1/2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- sixty 2-1/2" squares for the B Blocks
- four $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the top/bottom Border 2 units
- two 2-3/8" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- thirty $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ squares. Cut each square in half along one diagonal for the A Block SIAS units
- seventeen 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- sixty 1-1/2" $\times 4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the A Blocks
- sixty $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles for the A Blocks


## From Fabric B, cut:

- one 2-1/2" x WOF strip. Subcut:
- fifteen 2-1/2" squares for the B Block centers
- one 1-7/8" x WOF strip. Subcut:
- fifteen 1-7/8" squares for the A Block centers
- five 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-†o-end, then trim:
- two 1-1/2" $\times 54-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ side Border 3 strips
- two 1-1/2" $\times 48-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ top/bottom Border 3 strips


## From Fabric C, cut:

- four $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips. Subcut:
- sixty 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles for the A Blocks


## From Fabric D, cut:

- seven $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips. Subcut:
- one hundred eighty $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares for the A Blocks


## From Fabric E , cut:

- four 2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- sixty 2 " squares for the B Block small HSTs


## From Fabric F, cut:

- three 3" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- thirty-two 3" squares for the B Block large HSTs
- two 2 " x WOF strips. Subcut:
- thirty-two 2" squares for the B Block small HSTs
- two 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- thirty-two 1-1/2" squares for the B Blocks


## From Fabric G, cut:

- three 3" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- twenty-eight 3" squares for the B Block large HSTs
- ten 3" squares for the Border 2 HSTs
- two 2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- twenty-eight 2" squares for the B Block small HSTs
- two 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
- twenty-eight 1-1/2" squares for the B Blocks


## From Fabric H , cut:

- five 1-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-to-end, then trim:
- two 1-1/2" $\times 48-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ side Border 1 strips
- two 1-1/2" $\times 42-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ top/bottom Border 1 strips


## From each of Fabrics I and J, cut:

- one $3^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strip. Subcut:
- twelve 3" squares for the Border 2 HSTs


## From Fabric K, cut:

- one 3" x WOF strip. Subcut:
- thirteen 3 " squares for the Border 2 HSTs


## From Fabric L, cut:

- six 4-1/2" x WOF strips. Sew together, end-to-end, then trim:
- two 4-1/2" $\times 56-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ side Border 4 strips
- two 4-1/2" x 56-1/2" top/bottom Border 4 strips

From the Binding Fabric, cut:

- seven $2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips

Assemble the SIAS Units
Step 1: Sew a 2-3/8" Fabric A triangle to opposite sides of a 1-7/8" Fabric B square. Press seam allowances toward the triangles. Repeat on remaining sides of the Fabric B square. Trim the SIAS block to 2-1/2" square. Repeat to make fifteen SIAS units.


Step 2: Sew a 1-1/2" Fabric D square to opposite sides of:

thirty $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric C rectangles

thirty $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric A rectangles


Press all seams toward the rectangles.

Step 3: Sew a $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 2-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric $C$ rectangle to the left and right edges of a Step 1 SIAS unit. Press toward the rectangles. Sew a Step 2 Fabric C unit to the top and bottom of the unit. Press.


Step 4: Sew a $1-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric A rectangle to the left and right edges of the block center. Press toward the rectangles. Sew the smallest remaining Step 2 unit to the top and bottom of the


Step 5: Sew a 1-1/2" $\times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric A rectangle to the left and right edges of the block center. Press toward the rectangles. Sew the largest Step 2 unit to the top and bottom of the unit. Press.


The resulting A Block should measure 8-1/2" square. Repeat Steps 2-5 to make a total of fifteen A Blocks.

Step 6: Pair a 3 " Fabric A square with a 3 " Fabric F square, RST. Mark a diagonal line on the wrong side of one square. Sew $1 / 4$ " away from both sides of the marked line. Cut on the marked line, creating two half-square triangles (HSTs). Press toward the darker fabric. Trim to 2-1/2" square. Repeat to make sixty-four A/F large HSTs.


Step 7: Repeat Step 6 to make:
seventy-six A/G large HSTs twenty-four A/J large HSTs twent A/I large HSTs

Step 8: Repeat Step 6, this time using 2" squares to make:

sixty-four E/F small HSTs

fifty-six E/G small HSTs
Trim each of these HSTs to 1-1/2" square.

Step 9: Sew the small HSTs together to form pairs. Press. Note the orientation of the HST in the pairs shown here. You will have thirty-two pairs from Fabrics E/F and twenty-eight pairs from Fabrics E/G.


Step 10: Sew some of the large HSTs together to form pairs in the quantities. Press. Note the orientation of the HST in the pairs shown here. You will have thirty-two pairs from Fabrics A/F and twenty-eight pairs from Fabrics A/G.


## Assemble the B Blocks



Step 11: Gather:<br>one Fabric B square<br>four Fabric E/F HST pairs<br>four 1-1/2" Fabric F squares

Arrange the units into three rows of three. Note the fabric placement and block orientation in the Block Assembly Diagram.

Step 12: Sew the units together to form the rows. Press the seams toward the squares.
Step 13: Sew the rows together, nesting the seams and pressing the seams to one side to form the block center.


Step 14: Gather:
the Step 13 Block Center
four Fabric A/F large HST pairs
four 2-1/2" Fabric A squares
Arrange the units into three rows of three. Note the fabric placement and block orientation in the Block Assembly Diagram.

Step 15: Sew the units together to form the rows. Press the seams toward the squares.

Step 16: Sew the rows together, nesting the seams and pressing the seams to one side to form the Block.

The resulting B Block should measure 8-1/2" square. Repeat Steps $11-16$ to make a total of eight B Blocks using Fabric F and seven B Blocks using Fabric G.


## Assemble the Border 2 Units

## Step 17: Gather:

two 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" Fabric A rectangles
six A/I HSTs
six A/J HSTs
four A/G HSTs
six A/K HSTs
Arrange as shown to form the top Border 2 unit, noting the fabric placement and orientation of the HSTs. Sew together and press. Repeat to make a second Border 2 unit for the bottom.


Step 18: Gather:
six A/I HSTs
six A/J HSTs
six A/G HSTs
seven A/K HSTs
Arrange as shown to form the left Border 2 unit, noting the fabric placement and orientation of the HSTs. Sew together and press. Repeat to make a second Border 2 unit for the right edge. Note that there are thirteen HSTs pointed one way and twelve pointed the other.

## Assemble the Quilt

Step 19: Arrange the $A$ and $B$ Blocks into six rows of five blocks. Note the fabric placement and block orientation in the Quilt Assembly Diagram.

Step 20: Sew the blocks together to form rows. Press the rows to the left in the odd numbered rows and to the right in the even numbered rows.

Step 21: Sew the rows together to form the quilt center. Press the row seams open.
Step 22: Sew the side Border 1 pieces to the sides of the quilt center. Press toward the borders. Sew the top and bottom Border 1 pieces to the quilt center. Press toward the borders.

Step 23: Sew the side Border 2 pieces to the sides of the quilt center.
Press toward the borders. Sew the top and bottom Border 2 pieces to the quilt center. Press toward the borders.

Step 24: Sew the side Border 3 pieces to the sides of the quilt center.
Press toward the borders. Sew the top and bottom Border 3 pieces to the quilt center. Press toward the borders.


Step 25: Sew the side Border 4 pieces to the sides of the quilt center.
Press toward the borders. Sew the top and bottom Border 4 pieces to the quilt center. Press toward the borders.

Your quilt top is complete! Baste, quilt, bind, and enjoy!

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