# Stars in My Garden Quilt-along



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## How to Use

The *Stars in My Garden* quilt guide is meant to assist you in cutting and organizing your fabrics for this project. It is not a pattern. Instructions for each block will be released to my YouTube channel and my website according to the schedule on page 2.

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## **Schedule**

A new video and blog post will be released every Friday beginning January 3, 2025. The videos and blog posts will describe how to construct the block for that week. There is one block each week, but you will make multiples of that block - anywhere from one to eight (no more than eight a week!)

Proceed at your own pace. This is just the schedule for instruction releases, not a deadline for completing any blocks. The videos and block posts will be available well past April 2025, so have no fear that you'll miss out on something.

Getting started!
Block 1
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Block 12
Wrap up!

## **Quilt Details**

Finished quilt size (before borders):

**Abbreviations** 

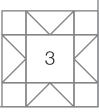
WOF = Width of Fabric (cut from one selvage to opposite selvage)

All strips are cut WOF, unless otherwise stated. So a 3" strip, should measure 3" x WOF (approximately 42-44").

This guide assumes the quilter has a basic knowledge of quilting techniques and terminology. The images in the guide are for ease of organizing and placing fabrics and do not represent exact fabrics used in the sample quilt.

This guide should be used in conjunction with Stacy's YouTube videos and/or blog entries for the quilt-along. You can find the videos here:

YouTube.com/@StacyCreatesStuff, and the blog series here: [insert vlog page link]. Videos and blog posts are released weekly beginning January 3, 2024 and shall remain available for at least one year (but likely much longer!).



# **Cutting Instructions**

## White 1

Cut two (2) 11/2" strips

- Sub-cut into 32 1½" squares
  Cut three (3) 2½" strips
  - Sub-cut into 36 2½" squares

## White 2

Cut two (2) 11/2" strips

Sub-cut into 32 - 1½" squares.
 Part of remaining strip will be used below

Cut five (5) 21/2" strips

- Sub-cut four strips into 64 2½" squares
- Sub-cut into 1½" x 2½"
  rectangles. You need a total of 32.
  Use the remaining bit of 1½"
  strips from above to cut the last
  few rectangles. You will be cutting
  2½" lengths from the 1½" strip.

# White 3

Cut four (4) 2½" strips

Sub-cut into 64 - 2½" squares

Cut two (2) 3" strips

∘ Sub-cut into **16** - 3" squares

# Light Pink 1

Cut two (2) 41/2" strips

Sub-cut into 32 - 2½" x 4½" rectangles

Cut one (1) 41/2" strip

 Sub-cut into eight (8) 4½" squares

Cut one (1) 2½" strip

Sub-cut into 16 - 2½" squares

# Light Pink 2

Cut three (3) 3" strips

Sub-cut into 36 - 3" squares

Cut one (1) 21/2" strip

- Sub-cut into eight (8) 2½" squares
- Sub-cut into four (4) 2½" x 4½" rectangles.

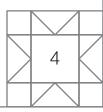
# Medium Pink 1

Cut one (1) 5" strip

- Sub-cut four (4) 4½" lengths from strip and trim to four (4) 4½" squares
- Cut remainder of strip in half into two (2) 2½" strips. Sub-cut these into 16 - 2½" squares.

Cut two (2) 21/2" strips

 Sub-cut into 32 additional - 2½" squares (48 total)



# **Cutting Instructions (cont)**

# Medium Pink 2

Cut five (5) 2½" strips

• Sub-cut into **72** - 2½" squares

## Medium Pink 3

Cut five (5) 2½" strips

• Sub-cut into 80 - 2½" squares

## Dark Pink 1

Cut four (4) 2½" strips

• Sub-cut into 64 - 2½" squares

Cut two (2) 3" strips

• Sub-cut into 24 - 3" squares

## Dark Pink 2

Cut three (3) 2½" strips

• Sub-cut into 48 - 2½" squares
Cut one (1) 4½"" strip

- Sub-cut one (1) 4½" square
- Cut remainder of strip into a 3"
   wide strip and a 1½" wide strip.
  - Sub-cut the 3" strip into eight (8) 3" squares
  - Sub-cut the 1½" strip into **16** 1½" squares.

Cut one (1) 11/2" strip

Sub-cut into 16 - 1½" x 2½" rectangles

# Light Green 1

Cut one (1) 81/2" strip

Sub-cut into 16 - 2½" x 8½" rectangles

Cut one (1) 3" strip

 $_{\circ}$  Sub-cut into 12 - 3" squares

Cut one (1) 21/2" strip

Sub-cut into 8 - 2½" squares

# Light Green 2

Cut three (3) 41/2" strips

- Sub-cut one (1) strip into eight (8)
   4½" squares
- Sub-cut two (2) strips into 32 -2½" x 4½" rectangles

Cut one (1) 21/2" strip

Sub-cut into 16 - 2½" squares

## Medium Green 1

Cut one (1) 41/2" strip

 Sub-cut into eight (8) - 4½" squares

Cut four (4) 21/2" strips

Sub-cut into 64 - 2½" squares

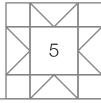
## Medium Green 2

Cut two (2) 21/2" strips

- Sub-cut one strip into 4 2½" x 8½" rectangles
- Sub-cut one strip into eight (8)
   2½" squares

Cut three (3) 11/2" strips

Sub-cut into 64 - 1½" squares



# **Cutting Instructions (cont)**

# Light Blue 1

Cut six (6) 21/2" strips

- Sub-cut two (2) strips into eight
  (8) 2½" x 8½" rectangles
- Sub-cut two (2) strips into 16 -2½" x 4½" rectangles
- Sub-cut two (2) strips into 28 -2½" squares

# Light Blue 2

Cut three (3) 21/2" strips

- Sub-cut two (2) strips into 32 -2½" squares
- Sub-cut one (1) strip into 2½" x
   4½" rectangles (You'll get 8)

Cut two (2) 41/2" strips

Sub-cut into 2½" x 4½"
rectangles. You'll get 32. All
together you will have 40 - 2½" x
4½" rectangles.

# Medium Blue 1

Cut two (2) 41/2" strips

Sub-cut into 32 - 2½" x 4½" rectangles

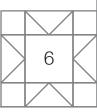
Cut two (2) 3" strips

Sub-cut into 24 - 3" squares

# Medium Blue 2

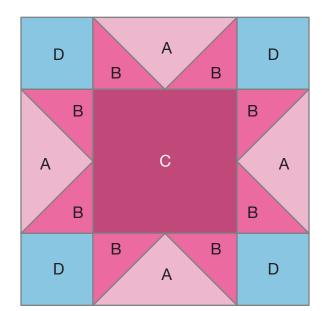
Cut two (2) 41/2" strip

Sub-cut into 32 - 2½" x 4½" rectangles



## **Block Guide**

# #1 Sawtooth Star: Pink

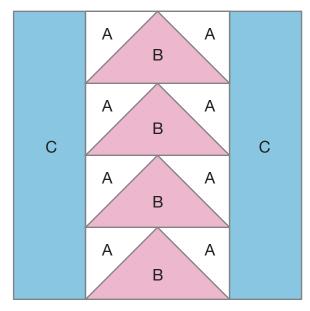


Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LP2 Four (4) 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- B MP2 Eight (8) 21/2" squares
- C DP2 One (1) 41/2" square
- D LB1 Four (4) 2½" squares

Make one (1) block

# #2 Flying Geese: Pink

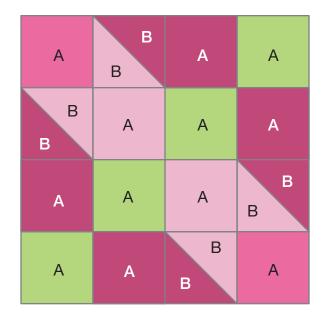


Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A W1 32 21/2" squares
- B LP1 16 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- C LB1 Eight (8) 2½" x 8½" rectangles

Make four (4) blocks

# #3 Road to Oklahoma

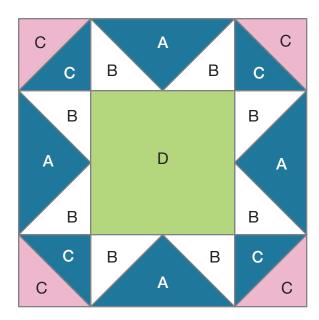


Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LP2 Eight (8) 21/2" squares
- A MP1 Eight (8) 2½" squares
- A DP2 16 2½" squares
- A LG2 16 2½" squares
- B LP2 Eight (8) 3" squares
- B DP2 Eight (8) 3" squares

Make four (4) blocks

# #4 Mosaic Star



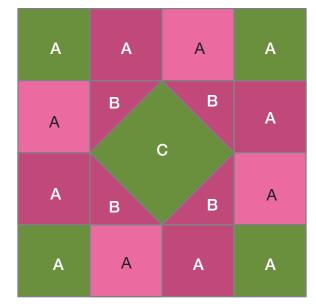
Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A MB1 32 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- B W3 64 21/2" squares
- C MB1 16 3" squares
- C LP2 16 3" squares
- D LG2 8 41/2" squares

Make eight (8) blocks

# #5

# Susannah



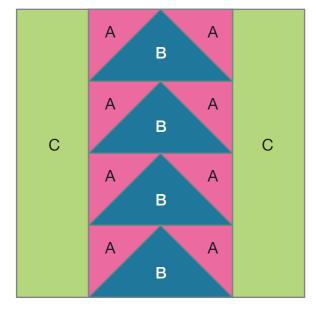
Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A MP1
- 32 21/2" squares
- A/B DP1
- 64 21/2" squares
- A MG1
- 32 21/2" squares
- C MG1
- Eight (8) 41/2" squares

Make eight (8) blocks

# #6

# Flying Geese Blue

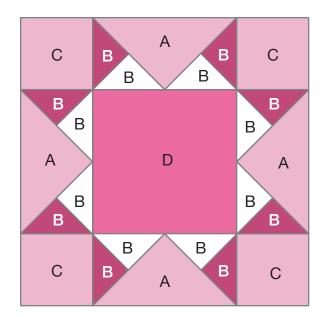


Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A M
  - MP3 64 -
- 64 21/2" squares
- B MB2
- 32 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- C LG1
- 16 2½" x 8½" rectangles

Make eight (8) blocks

# **#7** Aunt Addie's Album

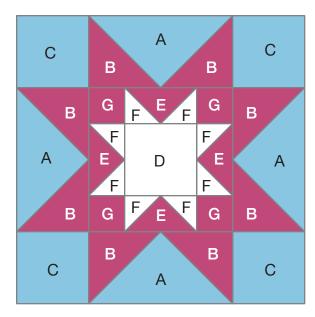


Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LP1 16 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- B W3 16 3" squares
- B DP1 16 3" squares
- C LP1 16 2½" squares
- D MP1 4 4½" squares

Make four (4) blocks

# #8 Rising Star Pink

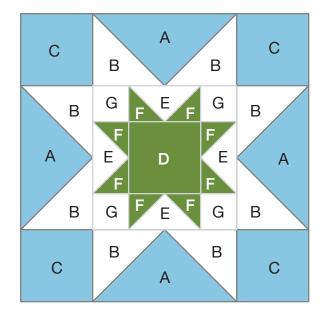


Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LB1 16 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- B DP2 32 2½" squares
- C LB1 16 2½"" squares
- D | W1 | 4 2½" squares
- E DP2 16 1½" x 2½" rectangles
- F W1 32 1½" squares
- G DP2 16 1½" squares

Make four (4) blocks

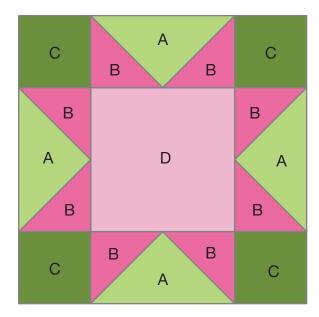
# #9 Rising Star White



Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LB2 32 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- B W2 64 2½" squares
- C LB2 32 2½"" squares
- D MG2 8 21/2" squares
- E W2 32 1½" x 2½" rectangles
- F MG2 64 11/2" squares
- G W2 32 1½" squares

# #10 Sawtooth Star: Green



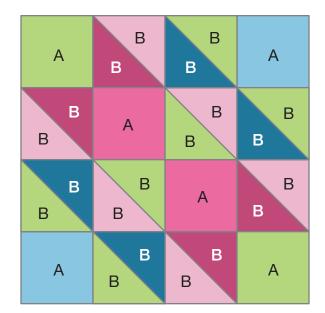
Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LG2 32 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- B MP2  $64 2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares
- C MG1 32 2½" squares
- D LP1 8 41/2" squares

Make eight (8) blocks

Make eight (8) blocks

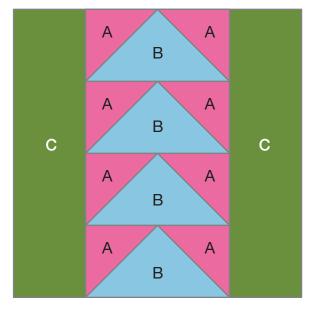
# #11 Hovering Hawks



Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

- A LG1 Eight (8) 2½" squares
- A LB1 Eight (8) 2½" squares
- A MP1 Eight (8) 2½" squares
- B DP1 Eight (8) 3" squares
- B LP2 12 3" squares
- B MB1 Eight (8) 3" squares
- B LG1 12 3" squares

**#12** Flying Geese Lt. Blue



Unfinished block size: 81/2" x 81/2"

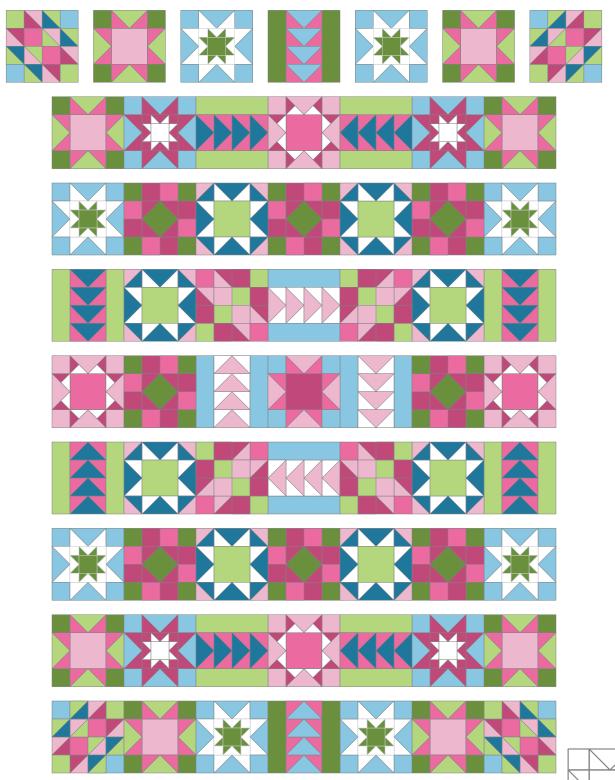
- A MP3 16 2½" squares
- B LB2 8 2½" x 4½" rectangles
- C MG2 4 2½" x 8½" rectangles

Make two (2) blocks

Make four (4) blocks

# **Quilt Top Assembly**

Once all the blocks are constructed, you can begin sewing rows together following the diagram below. Be sure to double-check the orientation of the blocks! Sew the rows together to create the quilt top.



## **Fabric Distribution Chart**

# White 1

32 - 2½" squares → Block 2

4 - 2½" squares → Block 8

32 - 1½" squares → Block 8

# White 2

32 - 1½" squares → Block 9

32 - 1½"x 2½" rect. → Block 9

64 - 2½" squares → Block 9

# White 3

64 - 2½" squares → Block 4

16 - 3" squares → Block 7

## Light Pink 1

16 - 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 2

16 - 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 7

8 - 4½" squares → Block 10

16 - 2½" squares → Block 7

# Light Pink 2

8 - 3" squares → Block 3

16 - 3" squares → Block 4

12 - 3" squares → Block 11

8 - 2½" squares → Block 3

4 - 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 1

# Medium Pink 1

 $4 - 4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares  $\rightarrow$  Block 7

 $8 - 2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares  $\rightarrow$  Block 3

32 - 2½" squares → Block 5

8 - 2½" squares → Block 11

## Medium Pink 2

8 - 2½" squares → Block 1

64 - 21/2" squares → Block 10

#### Medium Pink 3

64 - 2½" squares → Block 6

16 - 2½" squares → Block 12

#### Dark Pink 1

64 - 2½" squares → Block 5

16 - 3" squares → Block 7

8 - 3" squares → Block 11

#### Dark Pink 2

16 - 2½" squares → Block 3

32 - 2½" squares → Block 8

1 - 4½" square → Block 1

8 - 3" squares → Block 3

16 - 1½" squares → Block 8

16 - 1½"x 2½" rect. → Block 8

## Light Green 1

16 - 2½"x 8½" rect. → Block 6

12 - 3" squares → Block 11

8 - 2½" squares → Block 11

# Light Green 2

8 -  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares  $\rightarrow$  Block 4

32 - 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 10

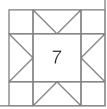
16 - 2½" squares → Block 3

## Medium Green 1

8 - 4½" squares → Block 5

32 - 2½" squares → Block 5

32 - 21/2" squares → Block 10



BLOCK 1

BLOCK 2

BLOCK
3

**BLOCK** 

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12

# **Fabric Distribution Chart (cont.)**

#### Medium Green 2

- 4 2½"x 8½" rect. → Block 12
- 8 2½" squares → Block 9
- 64 11/2" squares → Block 9

## Light Blue 1

- 8 2½"x 8½" rect. → Block 2
- 16 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 8
- 4 2½" squares → Block 1
- 16 2½" squares → Block 8
- 8 2½" squares → Block 11

## Light Blue 2

- 32 2½" squares → Block 9
- 32 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 9
- 8 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 12

#### Medium Blue 1

- 32 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 4
- 16 3" squares → Block 4
- 8 3" squares → Block 11

# Medium Blue 2

32 - 2½"x 4½" rect. → Block 6

## **Borders!**

Need to make the quilt bigger or feel it needs a "frame"? Borders are the answer! The quilt without borders should measure about 56" x 72".

Adding a single border would give you a finished quilt of 64" x 80" (4" border) OR 68" x 84" (6" border).

Adding a double border would give you a finished quilt of 70" x 86".

Fabric Requirements for Single Border - OPTION 1 % yard for single border (4" finished border width) OR 1½ yards for single border (6" finished border width)

Fabric Requirements for Double Borders - OPTION 2 ½ yard for inner border (1" finished border width) 1½ yards for outer border (6" finished border width)





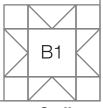
If you need your quilt to be even larger, you could add more borders or consider adding a column of blocks to each side of the quilt (because it's symmetrical). The additional blocks are the same as the first row with the addition of blocks for the corners (shown are Aunt Addie's Album in a different color than used earlier in quilt). Use your left-over fabrics or add new ones! This quilt finishes at 92" x 92".

## Fabric Requirements for Double Borders on Queen Quilt - OPTION 3

 $\frac{1}{2}$  yard for inner border (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " finished border width)

21/3 yards\* for outer border (81/2" finished border width)

\*You will need 2% if using mitered join



## **Borders!**

#### Option 1

Cut seven (7) 4½" strips (for 4" finished border) OR seven\* (7) 6½" strips (for 6" finished border) \*You will need eight (8) strips if using mitered join

#### Option 2

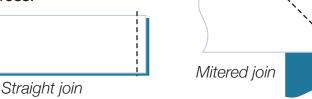
Cut seven (7) 1½" strips (inner border)
Cut seven\* (7) 6½" strips (outer border)
\*You will need eight (8) strips if using mitered join

#### Option 3

Cut eight (8) 2" strips (inner border)
Cut nine (9) 9" strips (outer border)
\*You will need eleven (11) strips if using mitered join

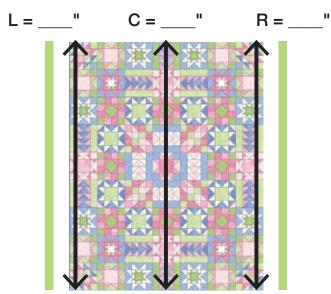
Sew the short ends of the strips together. I like to miter my strips by sewing on a 45° angle, but you can certainly sew the ends straight across.





#### First Border - Sides

- 1. Lay out your pressed quilt top on a flat surface and measure the left side (L), right side (R), and down the center (C) of the top. Add these three measurements together and divide by 3.
- 2. Cut 2 strips this length for the side (or inner) borders.
- 3. Attach strips to sides of quilt.

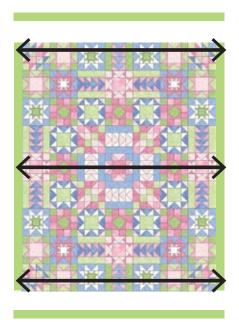


## **Borders!**

## First Border - Top/Bottom

- 1. Lay out your pressed quilt top on a flat surface again.
- 2. Measure across the top (T), bottom (B), and middle (M) of the top. Add these three measurements together and divide by 3.
- 3. Cut 2 strips this length for the top and bottom inner borders.
- 4. Attach strips to top and bottom.

I typically round up to the nearest 1/4" when finding the average.



You'll repeat this process for the outer border if you have outer borders.

## **Backing & Binding**

Options 1 & 2 require  $\frac{5}{2}$  yard for binding and  $\frac{5}{4}$  yards for backing Option 3 requires  $\frac{3}{4}$  yard for binding and  $\frac{8}{3}$  yards for backing

