

Alternate Block #1 for Mystery Quilt



Finished block: 8" x 8"

Cut one square 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" for the center of the block

Cut 8 squares, 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" for the star points

Cut 4 rectangles, 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" from a light print for the star background

Cut 4 squares, 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" from a matching (or different) light print for the corner background squares

Directions:

1. Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each 2 1/2" square for the star points.
2. Layer a marked square on one end of a 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" light print rectangle. Stitch on the diagonal line as shown. Flip and press open to the corner. Trim the seam allowance to 1/4". Place another marked square on the other end of the rectangle and repeat. Make 4 flying geese units.



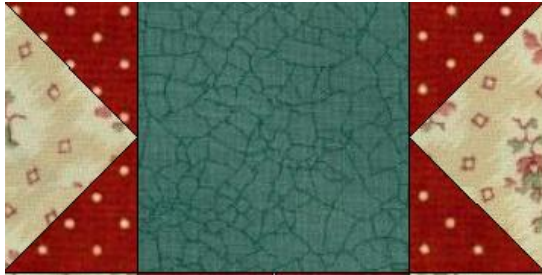
Make 4.

3. Sew two 2 1/2" light print squares to each end of a flying geese unit. Press. Make 2.



Make 2.

4. Sew the remaining two flying geese units to the sides of the 4 1/2" center square as shown.



5. Sew the units from step 3 to the top and bottom of the block.



The block should measure **8 1/2" x 8 1/2"** (unfinished) before adding the next round. It will **finish** at 8" x 8" when your quilt is complete.