## Square in Square Star Quilt - Step 2

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Sew your blocks from Step 1 together into three rows, alternating blocks with light centers and blocks with dark centers in each row, using the layout below. Blocks with dark centers are placed in the corners and the center.



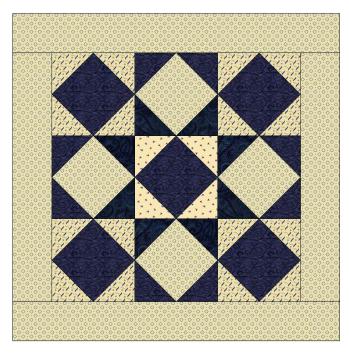


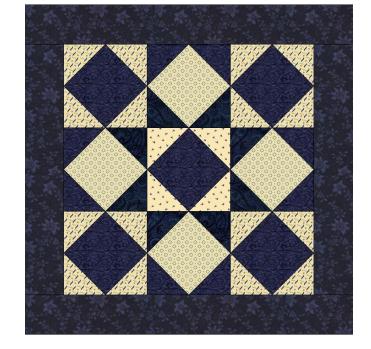
Trim to 13 ¼" x 13 ¼"

## **Borders**

Cut 2 strips  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $13\frac{1}{4}$ ". Sew to the sides of the quilt.

Cut 2 strips  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $17\frac{1}{4}$ " Sew to top and bottom of quilt.





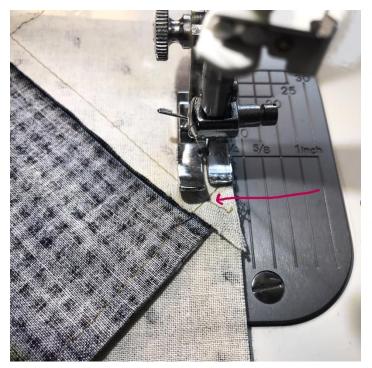
Finished Quilt: 16 3/4" x 16 3/4"

<u>Tips:</u> Here are a few photos that may help you when sewing your blocks together. Follow these tips to avoid losing your points.





When sewing the blocks together, make sure you line up the points of the squares and that each square has about ¼ above the point. Then pin at the top where the stitches cross or intersect.



When you sew the blocks together, notice the X where the stitches intersect or cross. Remove the pin at this point. Stitch one thread or so to the RIGHT of this X. **This space to the right is your seam allowance.** If you sew beyond this (to the left of the X) your point will be cut off. The X is the point.



This is a picture of the little quilted pillow that inspired me. From an old decorating book. The star motif stands out a bit more in the pillow than it does in the quilt so it's your choice. Just leave the borders off and add a backing and pillow form.