

PATRIOTIC BLOCK– February & March 2011



Martha Washington Star: Make with an assortment of blues, reds & white/creams
Unfinished size: 12 ½ X 12 ½

Cutting Instructions:

Pinwheel center: Using 1 dark red or blue and 1 background fabric, with *right sides together*, cut **2 sets @ 3" by 3"**

Star Body

- Cut 2 medium blue @ 3 7/8" by 3 7/8". Cut in half diagonally to make 4 triangles (B)
- Cut 4 dark blue @ 3 7/8" by 3 7/8". Cut in half diagonally to make 8 triangles (D)

Background

- Cut 1 square @ 7 ¼ X 7 ¼ . Cut diagonally twice to make 4 triangles (C)
- Cut 4 squares @ 3 ½ by 3 ½ for the corners (E)

Sewing Instructions:

Pinwheel - Make four ½ square triangle units (A).

- Use cut 3" by 3" squares, right sides together. With lighter square on top, make a diagonal line from corner to corner. Using a ¼ inch seam, *sew on each side of the diagonal line*. Press. Cut on the marked line through both layers, press toward the darker fabric & snip dog ears. (2 ¾" square)
- Sew four squares together to complete pinwheel. (5" square)

Star Body & Background

- Sew four medium blue triangles (B) to each side of pinwheel unit (6 ½" square)
- Create 4 outside point sections by sewing D triangles to C triangle. (3 ½ by 6 ½)
- Create 3 rows. Top & bottom rows by sewing 3 ½ squares (E) to each side of C/D point section. For middle row, sew C/D point section to each side of pinwheel unit (A/B).
- Sew 3 rows together to complete block (12 ½")



We appreciate your contribution! Questions: call Sandy Butner 933-1086, Audrey McInerney or Barb Shates