

## Block 6 – Block of the Month 2021

### Marsha Washington's Star Block

#### Materials:

4 fabrics or scraps

NOTE: Please refer to both the colour diagram and the hand drawn diagram for placement of the 4 different fabrics.



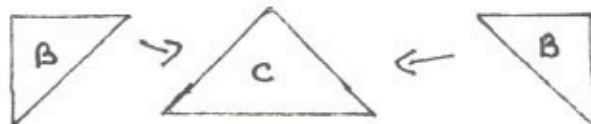
Fabric 1: A on the diagram with the colour photo the purple) - Cut 4 fabric 1 -  $3\frac{1}{2}$  by  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in squares. These will be the cornerstones.

#### Flying Geese

Fabric 1: C – cut 1 at  $7\frac{1}{4}$  in. Cut piece in 4.  
(purple on the diagram)



Fabric 2: B – cut 4 at  $3\frac{7}{8}$  in sq. Cut these in half to create 8 triangles.  
(yellow on the diagram) Sew 2 triangles to piece C triangles to make the flying geese  
OR us your preferred method.



*Sew. All seams  
are  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".*

I like to use a felt board to lay out my pieces as they are made.

Arrange these pieces in the placement according to the photo and the hand drawn diagram.

#### Centre section:

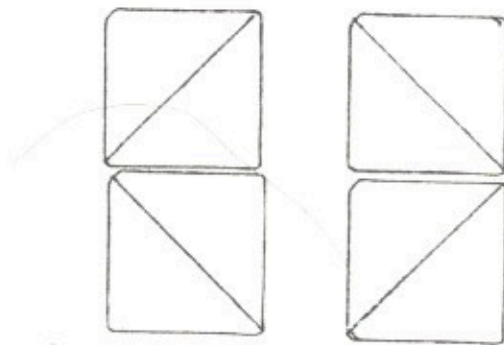
To create the centre section you can use the hour glass technique or make  $\frac{1}{2}$  square triangles, which is the method I used.

Cut 1 square  $3\frac{7}{8}$  in (B) from fabric 3 (green in the diagram) and 1 square  $3\frac{7}{8}$  in. (B) from fabric 4 (brown in diagram). Cut these in half and sew alternate fabrics together to make 2,  $\frac{1}{2}$  square triangle.

Then cut 1 - 3 7/8 in (B) from fabric 3 (green in diagram) and 1 square 3 7/8 in (B) from fabric 1 (purple in diagram).

Repeat as above to create 2 more 1/2 square triangles.

Sew these 1/2 square triangles together as per the diagram.

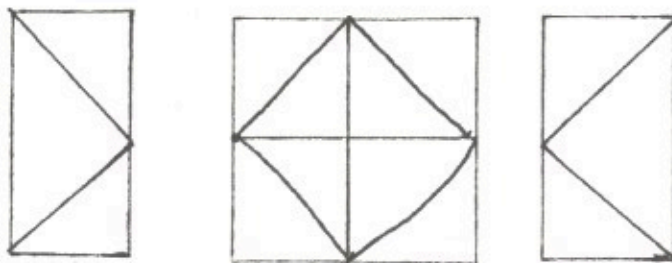


*See colour diagram for colour placement*

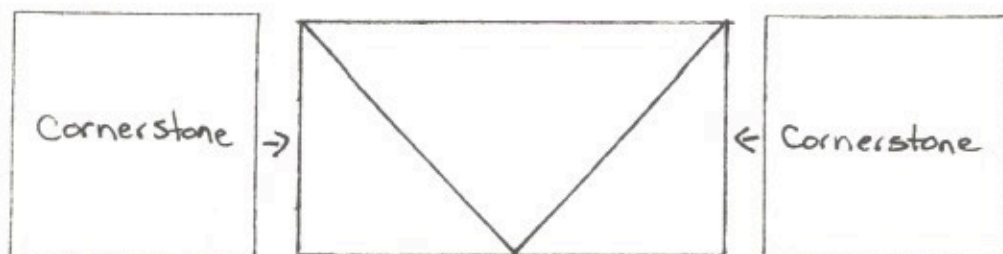
You can also create the half square triangles by placing one square on top of each other. I liked trying it by sewing the triangles together cause I like doing things different ways.

Using your preferred methods, create pieces. Pressing as you go.

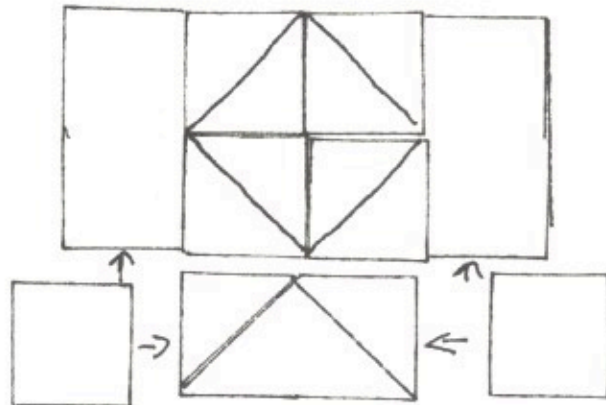
After sewing centre section, sew the right and left hand flying geese together.



Next sew the cornerstones to the top and bottom flying geese.

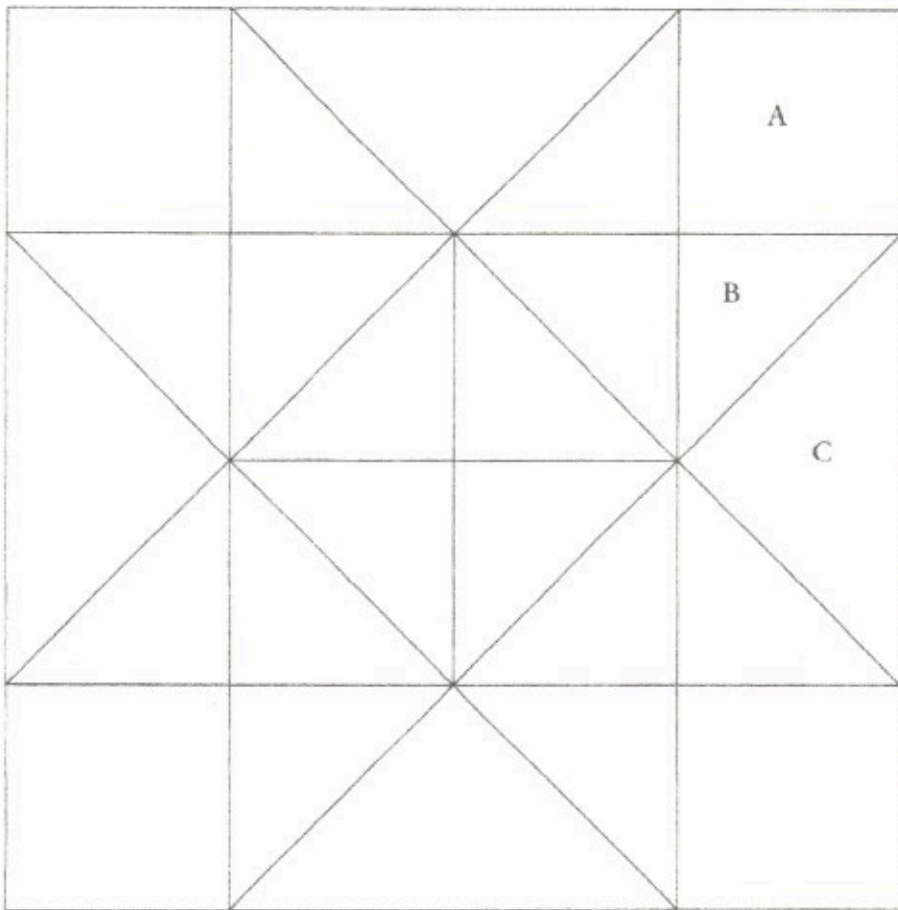


Sew the top row to the middle section and the bottom row to the middle section



Continue to refer to the diagrams for placement of these pieces.

Press seams as you go. And sew rows together as per diagram or using your preferred method.



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Star Block*

Finished Block:  
12" x 12"

Enlarge Block:  
240%



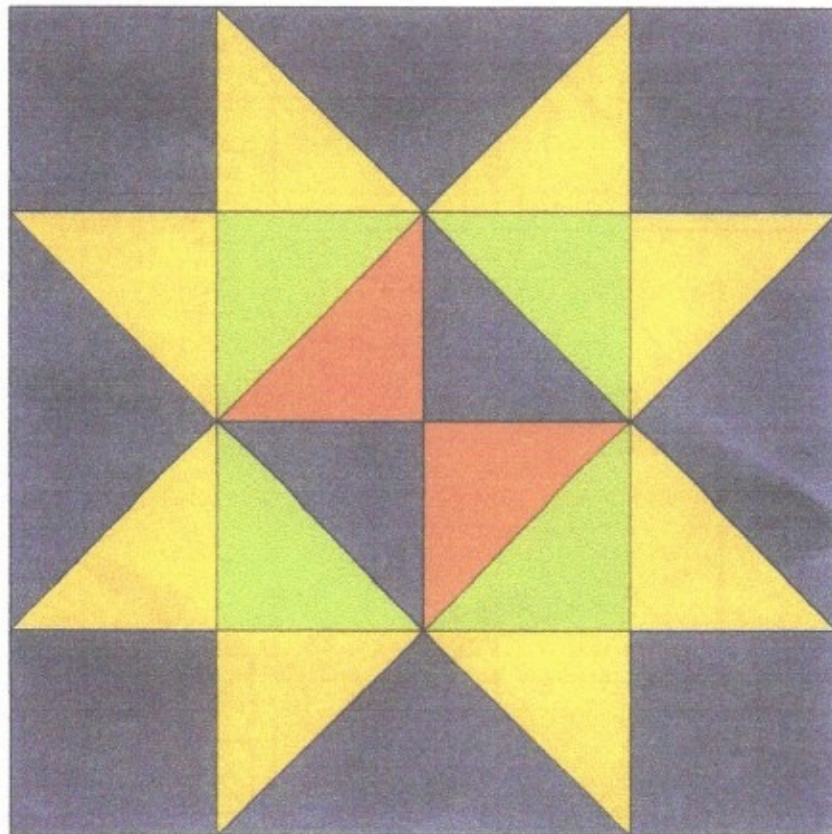
A - Cut 3-1/2"



B - Cut 3-7/8"



C - Cut 7-1/4"



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