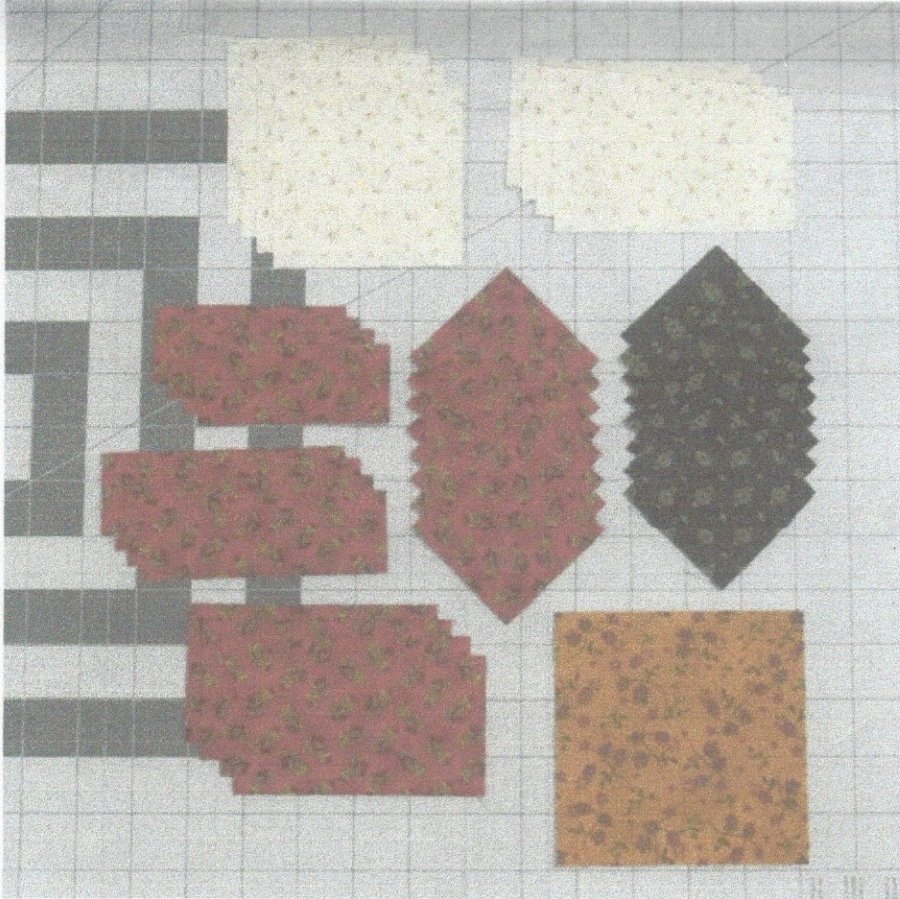




### Fabric Requirements for a 12" Finished Morning Star Quilt Block:

- Light/Ivory: 4 - 3.5" squares, and 4 - 2.5" x 4.5" rectangles
- Medium 1/Red: 8 - 2.5" squares, 4 - 2.5" x 4.5" rectangles, 4 - 1.5" x 3.5" rectangles, and 4 - 1.5" x 4.5" rectangles
- Medium 2/Gold: 1 - 4.5" square
- Dark/Navy: 8 - 2.5" squares



### Sewing Directions:

#### Flying Geese Units:

#### Step 1:

Using the Light/Ivory 2.5" x 4.5" rectangles and the Medium 1/Red 2.5" squares, make four Flying Geese units as shown in the picture below.

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Step 2:

Using the Medium 1/Red 2.5" x 4.5" rectangles and the Dark/Navy 2.5" squares, piece together four Flying Geese units as shown below.



Step 3:

Pair up one Step 1 unit and one Step 2 unit and sew together so that the Medium 1/Red fabric makes a chevron design as shown in the picture below. Press seam allowance toward the Medium 1/Red-Dark/Navy unit. **Repeat for a total of four units.**



### Corner Units:

#### Step 4:

Now we can work on the Corner units - easy peasy. Match up one Light/Ivory 3.5" square and one Medium 1/Red 1.5" x 3.5" rectangle and sew together as shown below. Press the seam allowance toward the Medium 1/Red fabric. **Repeat for a total of four units.**



#### Step 5:

Now you can add a Medium 1/Red 1.5" x 4.5" rectangle to an adjacent side of the Step 4 unit as shown in the picture below. Again, press the seam allowance toward the Medium 1/Red fabric. →

**Repeat for a total of four Corner units.**

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## STEP 5



### Putting It All Together:

#### Step 6:

From here the **Morning Star** (aka **State of Virginia**) block goes together like a simple **Nine Patch** block. Lay out the Flying Geese units, the Corner units, and the center Medium 2/Gold 4.5" square as shown in the picture below.



Step 7:

Now you can sew the units together into three rows as shown in the picture below.



Step 8:

And press the seam allowances away from the Flying Geese units as shown below.



Step 9:

Now you can sew the three rows together and you're all done except for the pressing!



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### Step 10:

Press the seam allowances. I pressed the seam allowances toward the center of the block so that when sewing blocks together, the seams would nest. However, I think the block would lay flatter if the seam allowances were pressed away from the center of the block. So it's your choice how you want to press.



### Conclusion:

The **Morning Star** block was a fun block to put together. It went together fast and I really like the band that forms around the inner star - it really makes the star design shine!

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