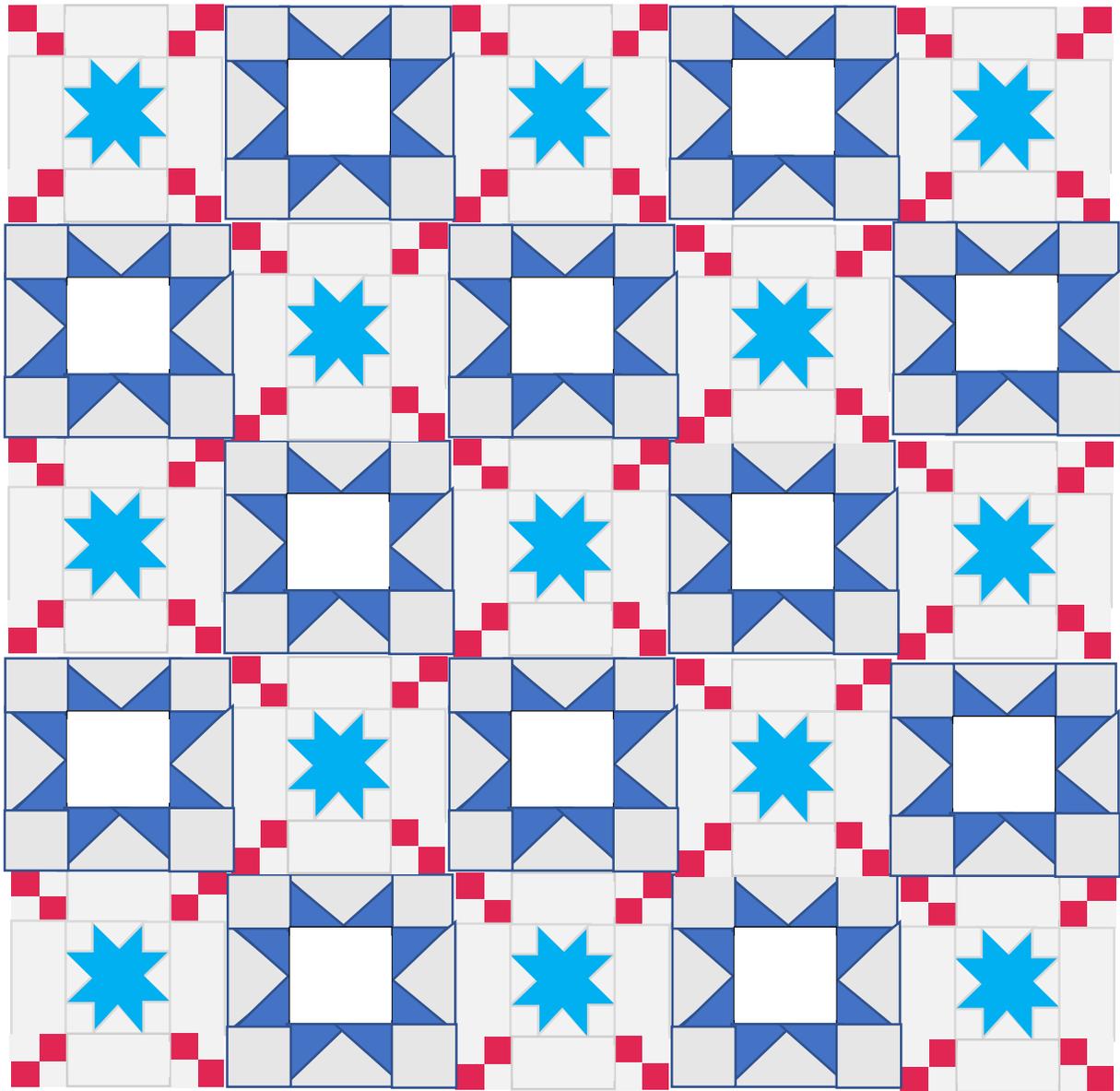




My Quilting Beehive's 2020 Marvelous Mystery Quilt
Month 11 & 12



Layout your blocks from months 9 and 10 as shown. Note: your blocks should be assorted colors, with the four patches and background tying together many scraps. Look on my website for the full color/scrappy look. Take some time to consider color placement. I have some dark blue pieces that I made sure to space out around the quilt.

Sew blocks into rows. Press seams toward the blocks with four patch corners. Sew rows together to complete the center of your quilt!



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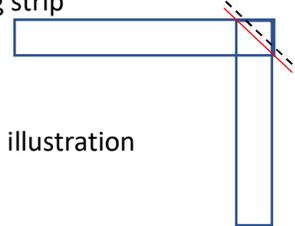


Time to finish your quilt top.

You should have 7 strips (2" x WOF) of background fabric and 7 strips (2" x width of fabric) accent fabric that you cut in month 2 and 8 strips of focus fabric from month 3 (either 6 1/2", 8 1/2", or 10 1/2" by width of fabric).

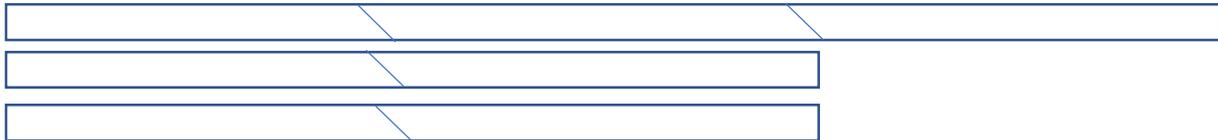
Trim off selvages. Piece two strips of background end to end to create one long strip

- Lay strips right sides together at a 90-degree angle
- Sew along the red line in the illustration.
- Cut on 1/4" away from the sewn line as indicated by the dotted line in the illustration
- Press the seam to one side



Be sure you have the long part of the strips on the left side of your sewing line and only trim away a small triangle on the right side of your seam line.

Repeat to make two long strips with 2 pieces of background fabric in each and one long strip with 3 pieces in it.



***Repeat with the accent fabric strips. (The width of fabric of my accent fabric wasn't quite enough—I had to add a little extra to make the 3- piece strip longer)

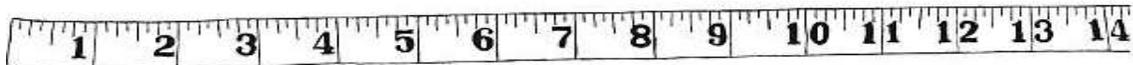
Use the background fabric to create an inner border. **MEASURE YOUR QUILT**—Use the actual measurement (see note below). Always measure and cut your borders to length. If you sew it on then trim off the extra, you are very likely to ease in extra fabric and end up with a wavy border.

Cut both side borders from the strip with 3 pieces. Then, cut the top and bottom from the strips with 2 pieces.

Repeat with accent fabric to create the next border.

Finally, add the focus fabric border (if you cut from length of fabric, you do not need to piece these strips—they are long enough. If you cut from the width of fabric, you can choose to piece at the 45-degree angle or a straight seam depending which looks better with the print design of your fabric).

Quilt as desired or send to your favorite long arm quilted. Bind with the remaining accent fabric.



Borders can be used to help square up a quilt.

The key is to **MEASURE, MEASURE, MEASURE!!!**

Measure the length of your quilt across the middle, near the left side, and again near the right side. If they are not the same, use the average of the three measurements. Cut both border strips together to the exact measurement you need.

Pin your border to the quilt—first match the center points, then each end, then ease in or stretch as needed to make your quilt square.