

## IT'S CHRISTMAS TIME QUILT – Pattern #103

### Block #3 - Stars

**NOTE:** Go to DKohn Designs on YouTube to find the detailed how-to videos.

**UNFINISHED BLOCK SIZE:** 9 ½" x 9 ½"

This block is a traditional 8-pointed star quilt block often known as the Sawtooth Star (although it has other names as well). This is a Row Quilt. Make **(5)** Blocks total for Row #3. Do not sew the Blocks together yet. Sashing will be added to the blocks and rows in Week #8.



**PATTERN NOTES:** 1) This block pattern uses the “Four at a Time No Waste Flying Geese Method” for making the star points and star block. You may want to use another flying geese or half-square triangle method that you are comfortable with to make your “star points.” Dimensions for the star points (flying geese) unit are given in the block assembly directions. 2) Fabric requirements are for 10” squares and 40” - 42” WOF. 3) ¼ inch seam is always used. 4) RST means right sides together. 5) Follow pressing directions to reduce bulk in the block. 4) Press and trim to unit dimensions as directed after every addition to the block for most accurate results.

#### MATERIALS LIST:

PRINT A - 5 - 10” x 10” squares (1 per block)

PRINT B (optional) – 5 – 10” X 10” squares (1 per block) **NOTE:** Print B is only needed if you desire contrasting star points. If you prefer your stars to be all one fabric then only 5 total 10” x 10” squares are needed since all of the star print pieces can be cut from one 10” square for each block.

BACKGROUND – 20 inches x WOF – **NOTE:** You may be able to cut some of the required squares from leftover pieces of background fabric from blocks #1 and #2 instead.

**CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS:** 1) Cut fabrics as indicated in the chart below. SEE FABRIC CUTTING SUBSTITUTIONS BELOW DEPENDING ON USAGE OF LAYER CAKE/YARDAGE/SCRAPS. 2) Organize all the subcut pieces by alphabet label to facilitate piecing. **See labels on page 3 to print out if desired.**

#### CUTTING CHART (everything needed for all 5 blocks):

SECTION	FABRIC	NUMBER OF PIECES	FABRIC	LETTER
Star Centers	PRINT (Use 5 – 10” squares)	5	5”” x 5” squares	A
Star Points	PRINT (Use 5 contrasting 10” squares if desired)	20	3 ¼” x 3 ¼” squares	B
Star Points Background	BACKGROUND	5	5 ¾” x 5 ¾” squares	C
Outside Squares	BACKGROUND	20	2 ¾” x 2 ¾” squares	D

#### FABRIC CUTTING SUBSTITUTIONS:

IF USING 10 INCH “LAYER CAKE”- PRINT: choose (5) 10” (or 10 if making contrasting star points) squares for the stars that will contrast well with your chosen background fabric. Make sure each square measures at least 10” x 10” before subcutting.

IF USING YARDAGE/ SCRAPS – PRINT: Cut Fabric A and Fabric B squares from yardage or scraps in the sizes listed in the cutting chart and use in lieu of 10 inch precut squares.

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**BLOCK ASSEMBLY:** Make (5) 9 1/2" X 9 1/2" blocks (unfinished)

**For ONE STAR BLOCK:**

**Construct the 4 Star Points (Flying Geese) units:**

- 1) a) Lay 1 Fabric C square right side up. Place 1 Fabric B square right side down in one corner of the Fabric C square. Place the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabric B square right side down in the diagonal opposite corner of the Fabric C square. The squares should overlap. b) Pin and sew on the dashed lines a scant 1/4" seam on both sides of the solid drawn line all the way across both Fabric B squares. c) Cut all the way across on the drawn line. Press the seams toward the triangles.



Step 1a



Step 1b



Step 1c

- 2) a) Lay the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fabric B square in a corner between the two smaller triangles. Pin and sew on the dashed line a scant 1/4" seam on both sides of the solid drawn line all the way across both Fabric B squares. b) Cut all the way across on the solid drawn line. Press the seams toward the triangles. You will have a total of 4 star points units (flying geese). These will become the 8 points of the star.

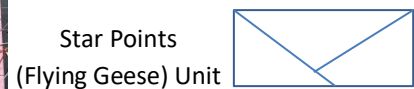


Step 2a



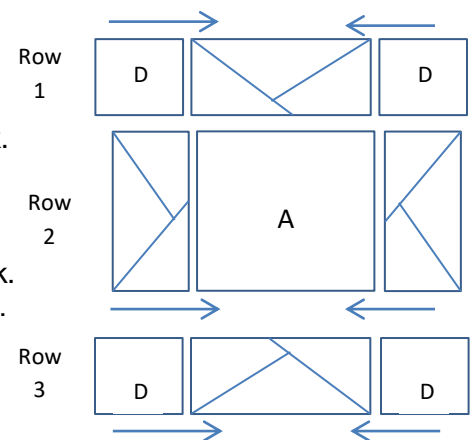
Step 2b

- 3) Trim each star point (flying geese) unit to 5" x 2 3/4".



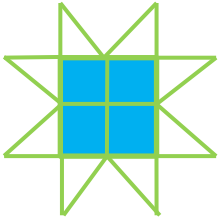
**Assemble BLOCK:**

- 4) Lay out the pieces according to the diagram.  
5) a) Sew Row 1 together. Press the seams toward the outside of the block. Trim to 9 1/2" x 2 3/4".  
b) Sew Row 2 together. Press the seams toward the center of the block. Trim to 9 1/2" x 5".  
c) Sew Row 3 together. Press the seams toward the outside of the block. This will enable "nesting" the seams in the next step. Trim to 9 1/2" x 2 3/4".

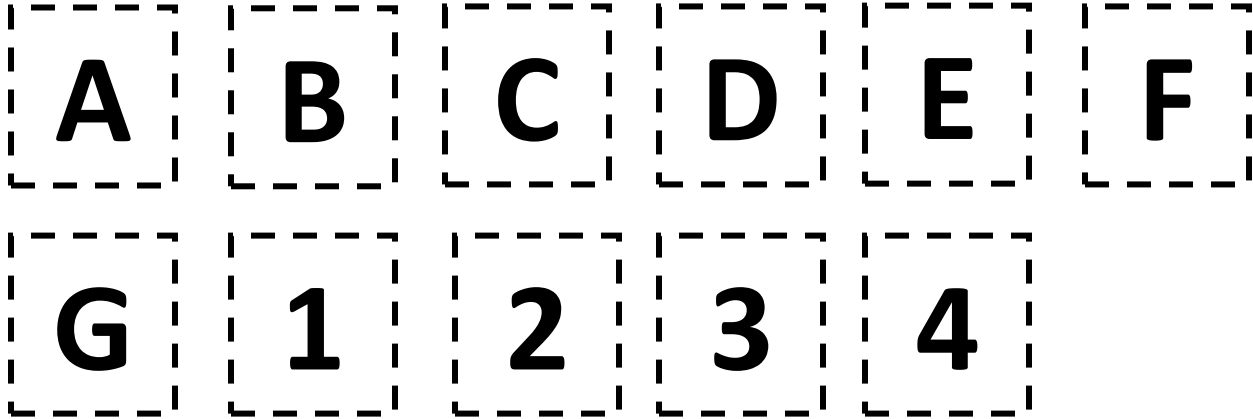


- 6) Sew Row 1 and Row 2 together, nesting the seams. Sew Row 3 to the bottom of the Row 1-2 unit. Press the seams toward the center of the block. Square the completed block to 9 1/2" x 9 1/2".

**Make 4 additional Blocks** for a total of 5 Star Blocks = Row 3. Do not sew the blocks together yet. Sashing will be added in Week #8.



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