



## “A Walk in the Stars” Quilt Along - Fall 2023 BLOCK #3 – REVERSE SAWTOOTH STAR BLOCK

**NOTE:** Go to [DKohn Designs on YouTube](#) to find my detailed how-to video for Week #4 – Reverse Star Block (Block #3) for this Quilt Along. BE SURE TO DOWNLOAD THE BLOCK PATTERN BY 11/30/23.

### QUILT ALONG SUMMARY

This quilt is a star block sampler quilt. The block patterns will be released weekly during Sept. and Oct. 2023. Go to my Blog at [DKohndesigns.com](#) for the Quilt Along schedule and overall fabric requirements. The block patterns and layout directions are free through Nov. 30, 2023. Beginning Dec. 1, 2023, all of the block patterns will be removed and consolidated into one pattern with the addition of directions for several additional sizes of quilts and then the pattern will be for sale in my Shop at [DKohndesigns.com](#)

**BLOCK SIZE:** 9 ½” X 9 ½” unfinished, 9” X 9” finished in the quilt

**PATTERN ASSUMPTIONS:** 1) ¼” Seams used throughout the pattern. 2) RST means right sides together. 3) HST means half square triangle. 4) Fat quarters are 18” x 21”. 5) Drawings are NOT to scale. 6) Read the entire pattern before cutting fabrics. 7) Arrows indicate pressing direction.

**FABRICS FOR THIS BLOCK:** This block pattern looks best with a dark background fabric plus 1 or 2 light high contrast fabrics for the star itself. Fat quarters and/or scraps may be used. You will make a total of 4 blocks of Block #3. \*NOTE: For faster assembly, you may want to chain piece sew the half-square triangles for all of the blocks at once.

LETTER	FABRIC/UNIT	1 BLOCK	ALL 4 BLOCKS
A	Outside corners (background)	4 – 2 ¾” sq.	16 – 2 ¾” sq.
B	Star Points (also known as the “sky”)	4 – 3 ¼” sq.	16 – 3 ¼” sq.
C	Background for star points (also known as the “goose” or “flying geese”)	1 – 5 ¾” sq.	4 – 5 ¾” sq.
D	Center of star block (may fussy cut if desired)	1 – 5” sq.	4 – 5” sq.

### BLOCK CONSTRUCTION FOR ONE BLOCK:

**NOTES:** a) This block construction uses the four-at-a-time, “no waste” method for constructing the flying geese “star points”. 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 flying geese “star points” units are given in the block assembly directions below. b) Be sure to use SCANT ¼” seams when constructing the flying geese.

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

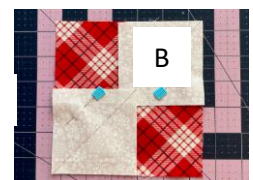
1) A) Draw a diagonal line corner to corner on the back side of all Fabric B squares

Step 1A



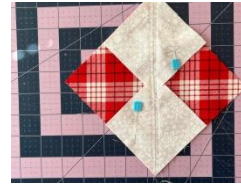
B) Lay 1 Fabric C square right side up. Place and pin 1 Fabric B square right side down in one corner of the Fabric C square. Place and pin the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fabric B square right side down in the diagonal opposite corner of the Fabric C square. The squares should overlap in the center of the block.

Step 1B



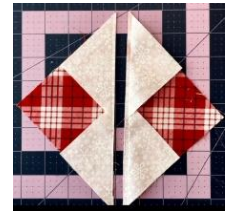


C) Sew a **scant** 1/4" away from the diagonal line on both sides of the line across both Fabric B squares. Step 1C



D) Cut all the way across both squares on the drawn diagonal line to separate the sewn unit into 2 pieces. Press the seams toward the smaller triangles

Step 1D



2) A) Lay the 3<sup>rd</sup> Fabric B square in a corner between the two smaller triangles. Pin and sew a **scant** 1/4" away on both sides of the diagonal line all the way across both Fabric B squares.

Step 2A



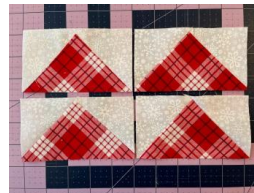
B) Cut all the way across on the diagonal line to create 2 Flying Geese units. Open and press the seams toward the smaller triangles.

Step 2B



3) A) Repeat Steps 1 and 2 to make the remaining 2 Flying Geese units. You will have a total of 4 Flying Geese units. These will become the 8 points of the star.

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



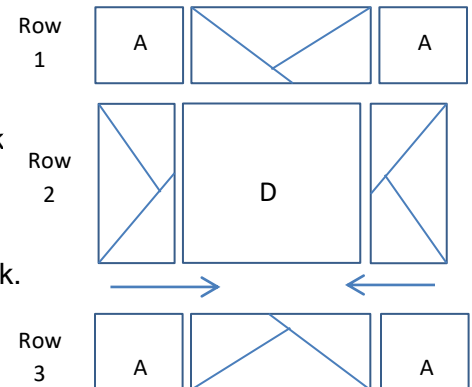
Star Points  
(Flying Geese) Unit



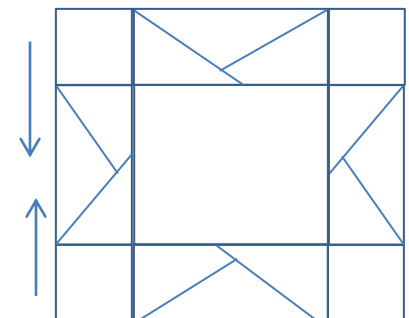
**Assemble the Block:**

1) Lay out the pieces according to the diagram.

- 2) 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"



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



**MAKE A TOTAL OF 4 REVERSE SAWTOOTH STAR BLOCKS.**