

# Ribbon Star Quilt



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The quilt is made from 20 12" blocks - 4 across and 5 down. It is sashed with 2 ½ inch wide sashing and 2 ½ inch square cornerstones.

The finished measurements are approximately 68 1/2 x 82 1/2 inches.

## Material Needed for Quilt:

- 1 roll of 40 2 ½" wide strips assorted fabrics for ribbon star blocks (star fabric)
- 1 roll of 40 2 ½" wide strips of light fabric for the background (background fabric)  
Note: 1 roll of strips is about 3 yards if you wish to purchase your own fabric to cut into strips.
- 1 ½ yards for outer border
- 5 ½ yards of fabric for backing and binding (5 for backing and ½ for binding)
- 72 x 86 inch batting

## Cutting Directions – from your strips, cut the following:

- 240 2 ½" background squares (12 per block)
- 80 2 ½" assorted star fabric squares in sets of 4 of same fabric (4 per block)
- 80 2 ½" by 4 ½" background rectangles (4 per block)
- 80 2 ½" by 4 ½" star fabric rectangles in sets of 4 of same fabric (4 per block)
- 80 2 ½" by 6 ½" star fabric rectangles in sets of 4 of same fabric (4 per block)
- 30 2 ½" star fabric squares for cornerstones
- 49 2 ½" x 12 ½" sashing pieces from background fabric
- 8 5 ½" strips of border fabric to make 2 72 1/2" long borders for sides and 2 68 ½" borders for top and bottom. (Note: You may want to wait and measure your quilt top yourself before you make your borders.)

Note: I chose 10 different fabrics for the star section. I cut 4 2 ½ WOF (Width of Fabric) strips from each. Then I cut 4 6 ½ inch rectangles (to use in one block), 4 4 ½ inch rectangles (to use in another block), 8 2 ½ inch squares (to use in two other blocks) from these strips. One block had long ribbons of the fabric and another block had the short ribbons. Each finished block had 3 different fabrics in it.

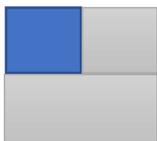
Note: Press seams flat as you work. Always stitch right sides together. Make sure your orientation is correct. The images that follow are after the seam is sewn. The background fabric is shown in gray.

## Sewing Directions

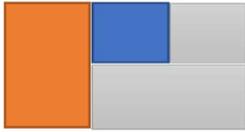
1. Start with a center square. Sew the center square to a background square.



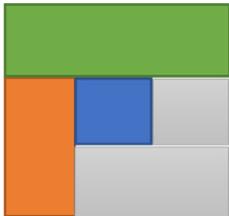
2. Sew a 2 ½ by 4 ½ inch background rectangle to the bottom as shown below.



3. Sew a 2 ½ by 4 ½ star rectangle to the side as shown below.



4. Sew a 2 ½ by 6 ½ rectangle to the top as shown below.



5. Repeat steps 1-4 above to make a total of 4 sets exactly alike for each block.

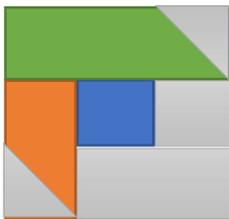
6. Snowball the two star fabric corners of each block.

Take a 2 ½ inch background square, fold it in half diagonally, and crease the fold.

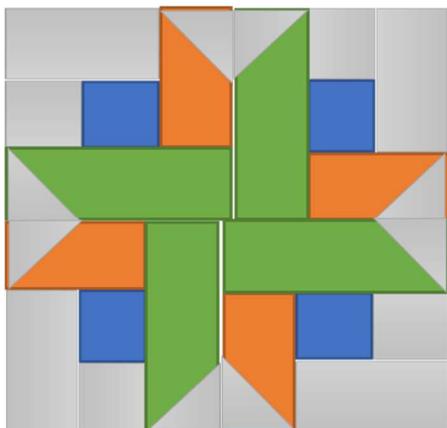
Lay the 2 ½ inch background square with right sides together onto star fabric aligning corner edges and with the diagonal crease line running from seam edge to outside edge of star fabric.

Stitch diagonally across the square following the crease line.

Trim seam to ¼ inch seam allowance. Fold out background fabric and press flat as shown below.



7. Sew your set together to make a Ribbon Star block.



8. Continue making sets of 4 to make a total of 20 blocks.



9. Make 6 rows of sashing by sewing a cornerstone to sashing end to cornerstone to sashing end and repeat two more times and then sew a cornerstone on end of last sashing.

### Assembling the Quilt Top

10. Sew your blocks together in rows of 4 blocks starting with sashing, then a block, then sashing and a block and repeat two more times. Then sew a sashing to side of last block.
11. Sew your rows together starting with a sashing row, then a block row, sashing row, then a block row. Repeat once. Then sew a sashing row, a block row, and finally a sashing row. Be sure you match and interlock all seams as you sew.
12. Sew one long border to each side of the quilt top.
13. Sew one short border to the top and one short border to the bottom of the quilt top.

### Finishing

14. Make your quilt back to measure approximately 72 x 86 inches.
15. Layer your quilt and secure the layers. Quilt through the layers with the quilting stitch of your choice.
16. Trim off excess backing and batting, squaring the corners as you trim.
17. Make your binding from 2 ¼ inch strips of binding fabric.
18. Bind the raw edges of the quilt in the method of your choice.