

Under the Stars
Block of the Week Quilt
by Debra Davis



Tuning My Heart Quilts

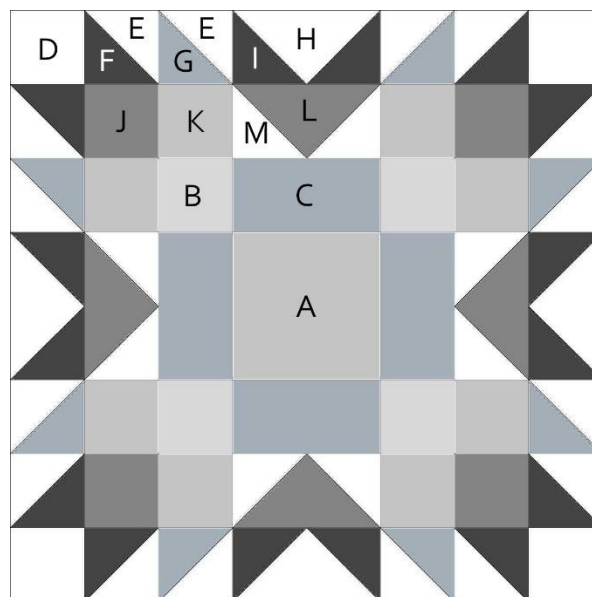
Block 5 – Puzzled Star

Fabric Needed for Red and White Version:

2 grey, 1 light red, 1 medium red, 1 dark red, and white

Cutting Directions:

- A- (cut 1) 4 ½" x 4 ½" grey #1
- B-(cut 4) 2 ½" x 2 ½" grey #2
- C- (cut 4) 2 ½" x 4 ½" light red
- D- (cut 4) 2 ½" x 2 ½" white
- E- (cut 8) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" white
- F- (cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" dark red
- G-(cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" light red
- H-(cut 1) 5 ½" x 5 ½" white
- I-(cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" dark red
- J-(cut 4) 2 ½" x 2 ½" medium red
- K-(cut 8) 2 ½" x 2 ½" grey #1
- L-(cut 1) 5 ½" x 5 ½" medium red
- M-(cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" white



Fabric Needed for Color Version:

6 assorted colors plus background_fabric

(I used 1 yellow, 2 purples-light and darker, 2 teal-lights and darker, 1 green in my block)

Cutting Directions:

A- (cut 1) 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" yellow

B-(cut 4) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" green

C- (cut 4) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" purple-darker

D- (cut 4) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" white

E- (cut 8) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" white

F- (cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" teal-darker

G-(cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" purple-darker

H-(cut 1) 5 1/2" x 5 1/2" white

I-(cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" teal-darker

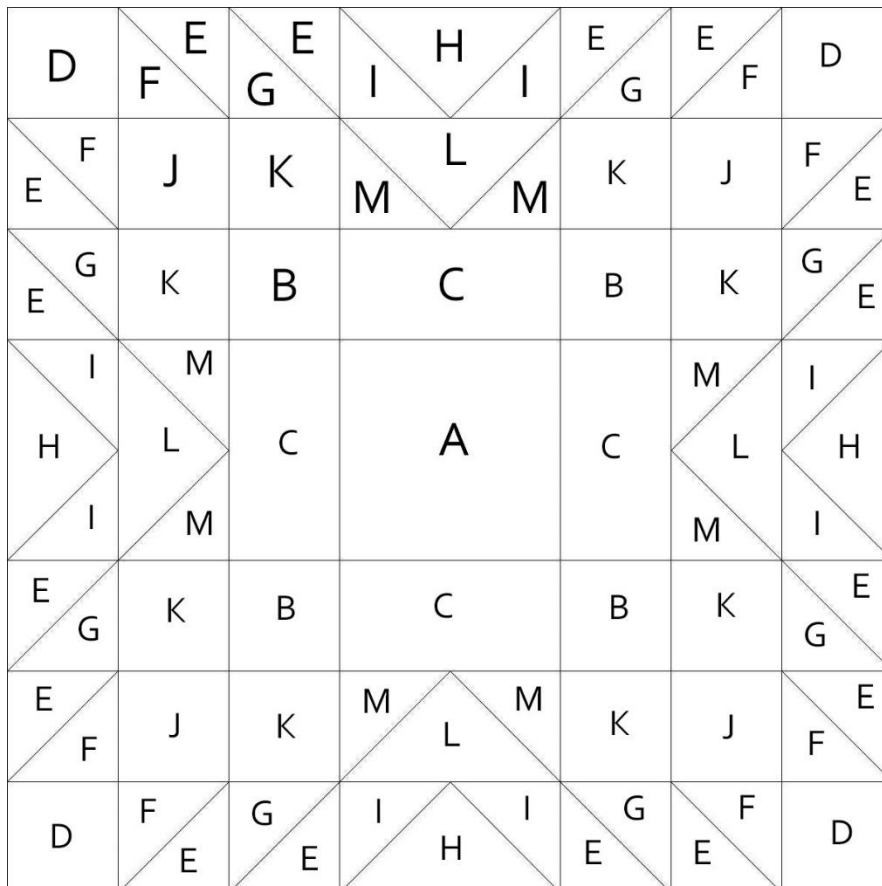
J-(cut 4) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" teal-lighter

K-(cut 8) 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" purple-lighter

L-(cut 1) 5 1/2" x 5 1/2" teal-lighter

M-(cut 4) 3 1/8" x 3 1/8" white

I left this one blank so you could color however you like



To Make the Block:

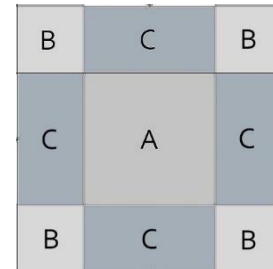
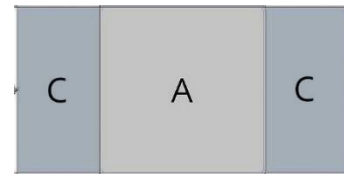
Step 1: Making the Center Section

Join two C rectangles to the opposite sides of the A square and press towards the C rectangles.

Join two B squares to each end of the remaining C rectangles and press towards the C rectangle.

Join these three rows together and press towards the A square to make the center section.

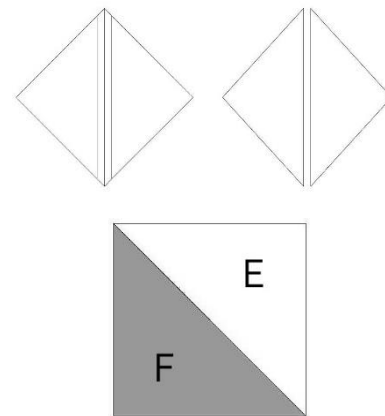
The center section should measure $8\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$



Step 2: Making the Corner Sections

Using 4 of the E squares and the F squares make eight Half-square Triangles. (HST's) Draw a diagonal line on the back of the E squares. Place right sides together with the F squares and sew $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from each side of the drawn line. Cut apart on the drawn line and press towards the dark side.

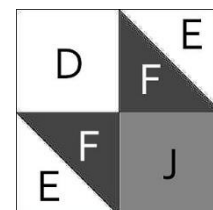
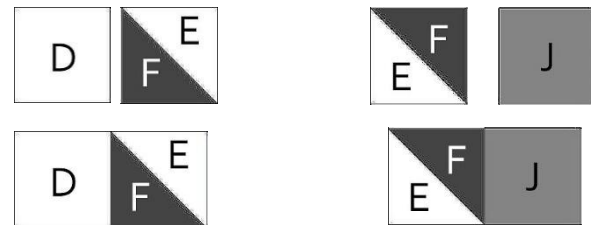
The HST's should measure $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$



Join the D and J squares to the F/E HST's as shown making sure the F/E units are oriented the correct direction. Press towards the D and J squares.

Join these together to make four Corner Sections pressing towards the bottom (E/F-J) row.

The Corner Sections should measure $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$



Step 3: Making the Flying Geese

Using the H and I squares to make four Flying Geese units.

Place two I squares right sides together on the H square. Draw a line down the middle. Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from each side of the line. Cut apart on the line and press towards the small triangles. Next, draw a diagonal line down the middle of the remaining I squares. Place an I square on top of the H/I unit and sew $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from each side of the drawn line. Cut apart on the line and press towards the small triangles.

Trim Flying Geese units to $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

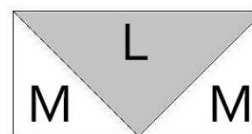
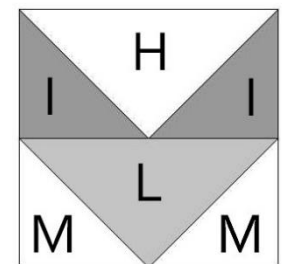
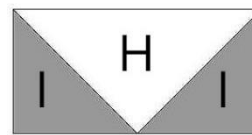
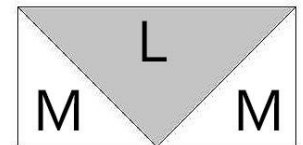
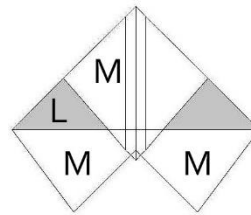
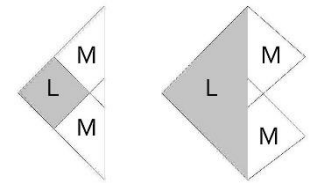
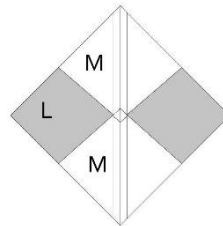
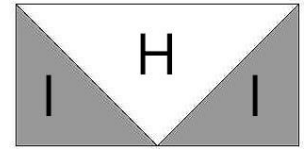
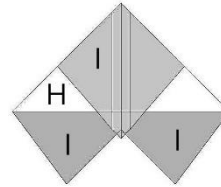
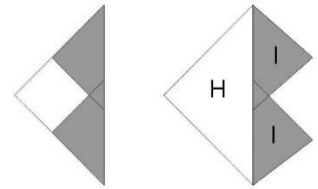
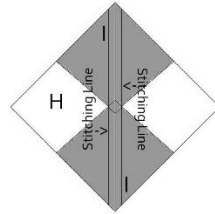
Repeat using the L and M squares.

These should also measure $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

Join the H/I flying geese units with the L/M Flying Geese units to make 4 Flying Geese pairs. Press towards the L/M Flying Geese.

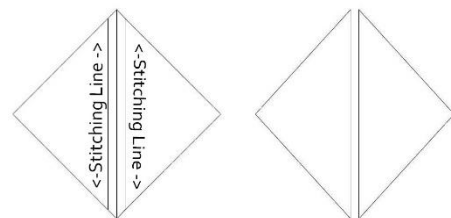
These units should measure $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 4\frac{1}{2}''$

These will be used to make the Flying Geese Section in Step #4.

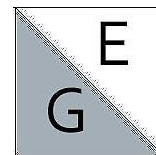


Step 4: Making the Flying Geese Section

Begin by using the E and G squares to make four Half-square Triangles. Draw a diagonal line on the back of E squares, sew $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from each side of the drawn line. Cut apart on drawn line and press towards the dark side.

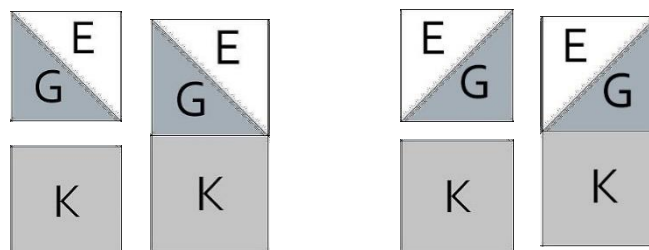


These should measure $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 2\frac{1}{2}''$



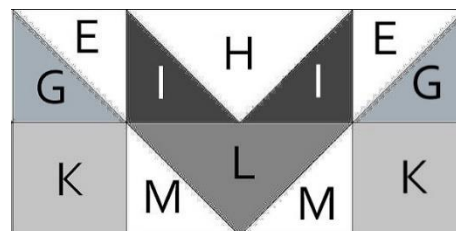
Join the K squares to a G/E squares as shown to make 8 Side Units.

Press towards the G/E Half-square Triangles.



Join these with the Flying Geese pair from Step 3 as shown. Press towards the Side Units.

The Flying Geese Sections measure $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$

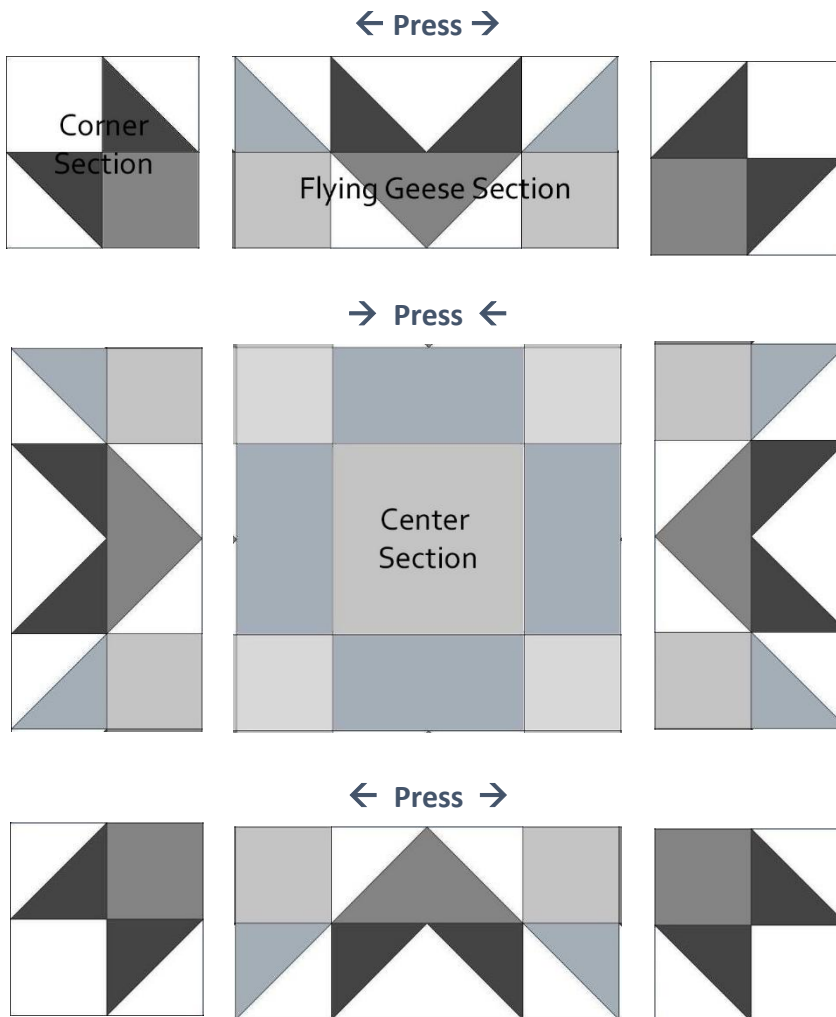


Step 5: Assemble the Block

Lay out the Center, Corner, and Flying Geese Sections as shown.

Press the top and bottom rows towards the Corner Sections. Press the middle row towards the Center Section. Join rows -fanning the seams to help them lay flat.

Block measures 16 ½" x 16 ½"



A WORD ABOUT COPYRIGHT: While these patterns are free I do ask that they not be shared in any way. Please direct people to come and download them from my website. In this way you are showing support for what I am providing for you here. As for the quilts you make-you can do whatever you like with them, alter them, give them away, enter them in a show, snuggle up under them, have a picnic on them, even sell a couple of them, (please contact me if you intend to sell more than that at tuningmyheart@gmail.com) -In essence I would just like to be given credit as the designer of the pattern.