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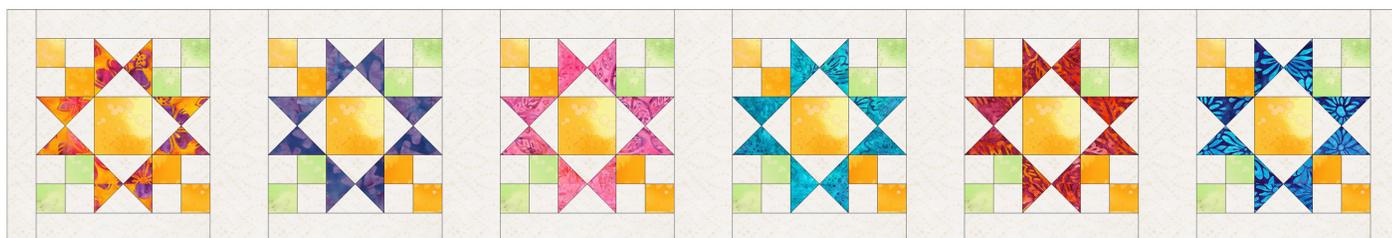
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Row 6

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## STARDUST BLOCKS

This month our row is made up of Stardust blocks. This block is a variation on the Ohio Star which gets an added twist that changes the look of the block. We will be using the Four-at-a-time method for making the hourglass units to make 6 of these blocks for our row. The blocks then have borders added to complete the row.



Row 6

## Cutting Directions :

From light/medium fabric #1 :

A-(cut 1)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " [6]

(option using scraps: cut 24-  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " )

F-(cut 1)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " [6]

From light/medium fabric #2 :

C-(cut 1)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " [6]

(option using scraps: cut 24-  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " )

From Dark fabric:

E-(cut 1) 5" x 5" [6]

From Background fabric(s):

B-(cut 2)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " [12]

(option using scraps: cut 48-  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " )

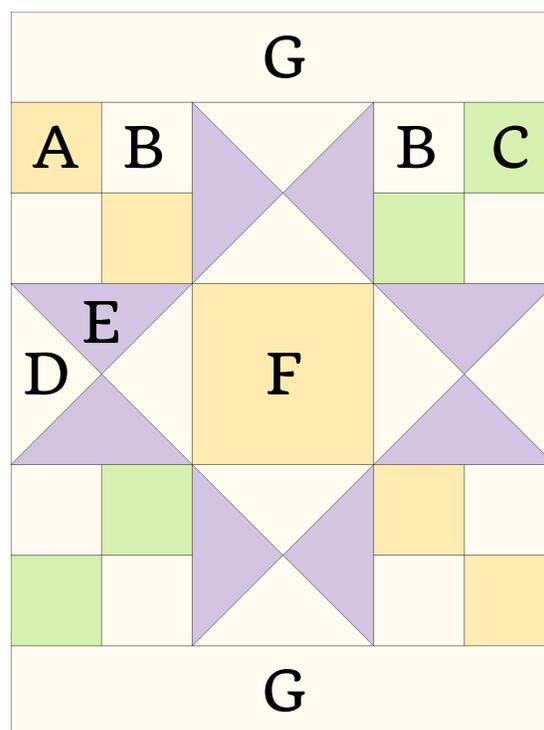
D-(cut 1) 5" x 5" [6]

G-(cut 2)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " [12]

Borders for entire row:

H-(cut 5)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " (not shown)

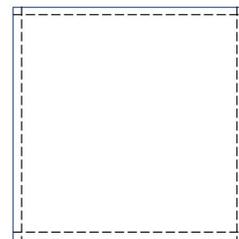
I-(cut 2)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " (not shown)



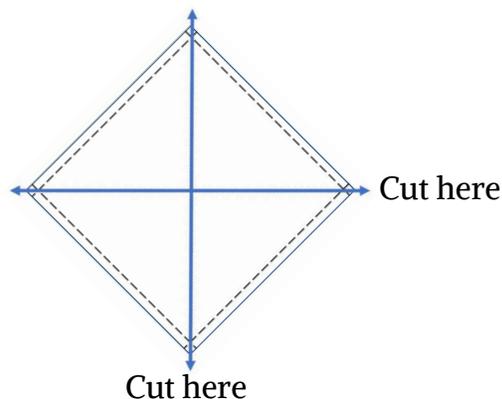
NOTE: Numbers in brackets are for cutting what is needed for entire row.

# Piecing Directions:

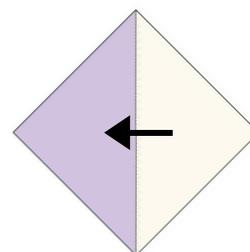
1. Place the D and E squares right sides together. Sew 1/4" all the way around the squares.



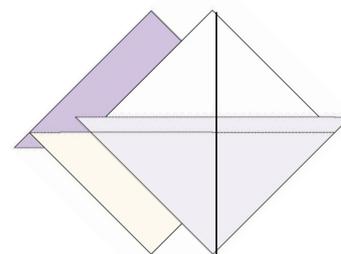
2. Cut apart on the diagonal, as shown. You will have four HST's.



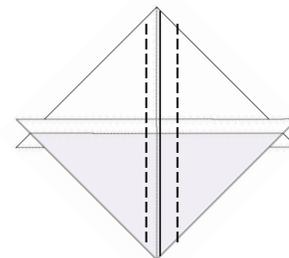
3. Press the Half-square Triangles (HST) towards the dark side as shown by arrow.



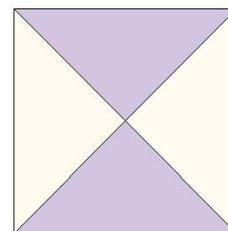
4. Now lay two Half-square triangle units right sides together as shown and draw a diagonal line down the middle.



5. Sew 1/4" from each side of the drawn line.



6. Cut apart on the drawn line and press. These units measure  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". You will make four units for each block in the row; 24 in total.



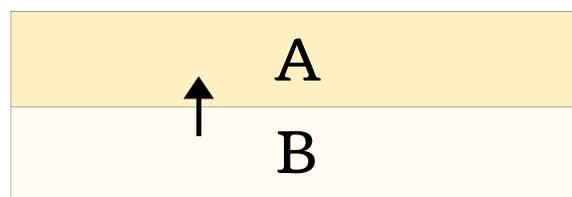
**TIP**

*Fanning the seams when you press, rather than pressing to one side, helps the bulky center seam to lay flatter.*

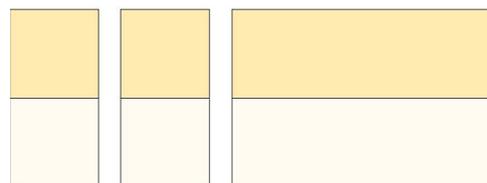
7. Set the Hourglass units aside for now.

8. Lay the A and B strips right sides together and sew along the long edge using a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Press towards A.

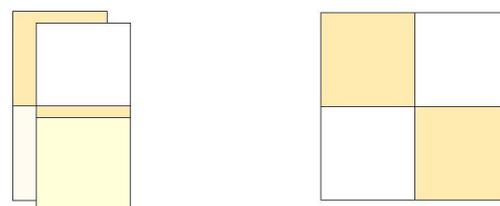
(If using option with scraps make 4 four-patch units from the  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares for each block, for a total of 24.)



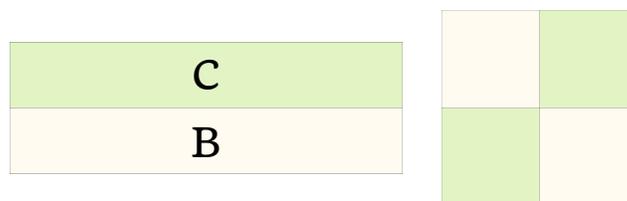
9. Cut the strips into four  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces.



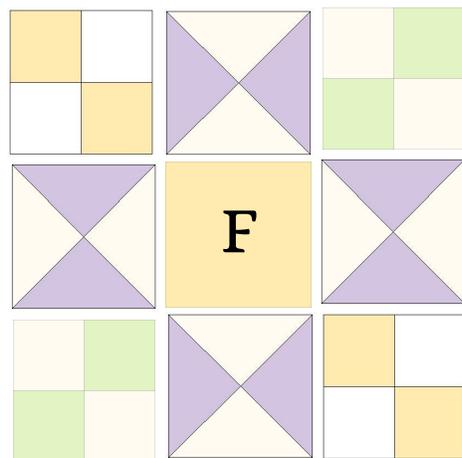
10. Join the cut pieces together to make two four-patch units, matching seams. Press to one side or fan the seams to reduce bulk. These units measure  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". You will make 2 for each block with a total of 12 for the row.



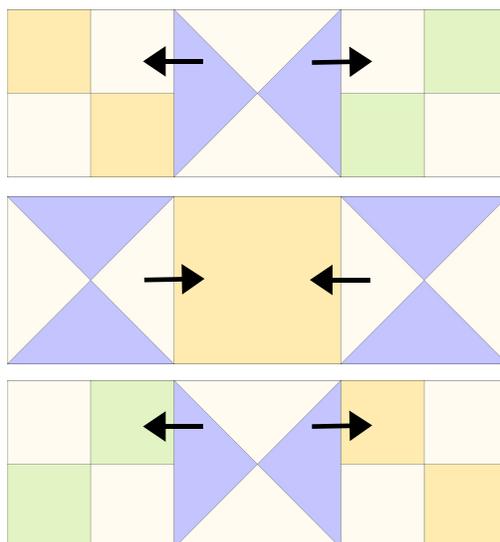
11. Repeat this process with the B and C strips. You will make 2 for each block with a total of 12 for the row.



12. Lay out the hourglass units and the four-patch units with the F square as shown.



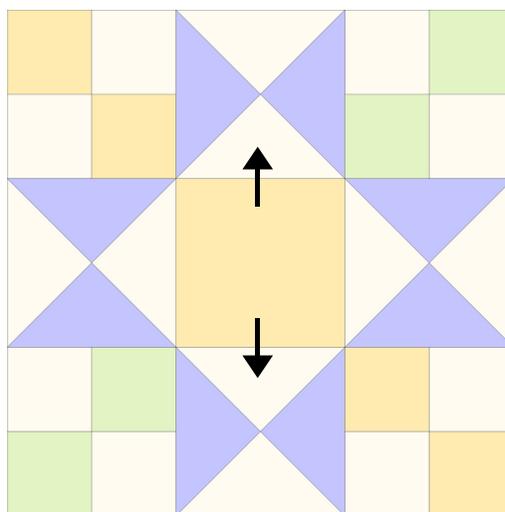
13. Join into rows pressing as indicated by arrows.



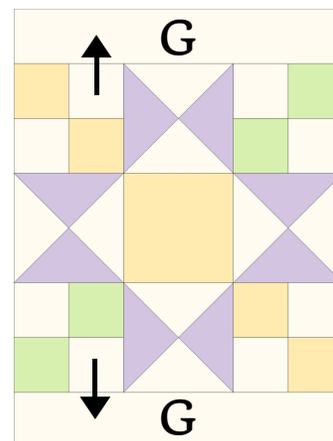
14. Join the rows together to finish the block.

Press as indicated by arrows

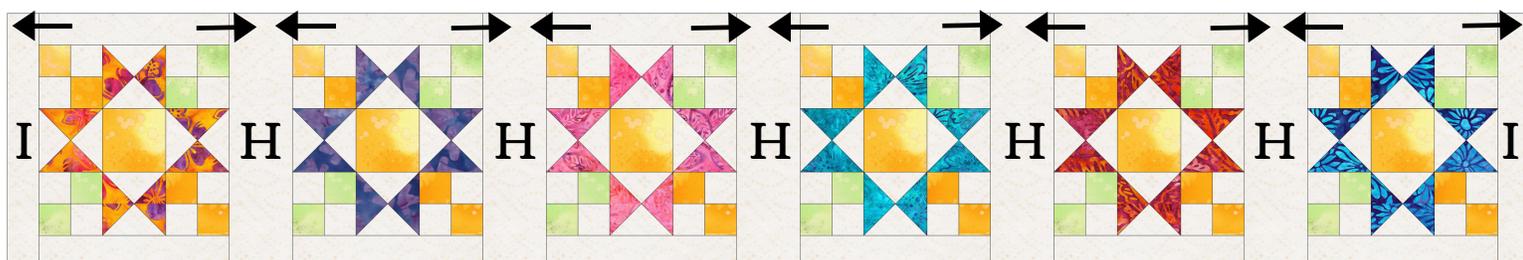
The block measures  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". Make six of these blocks for the row.



15. Add the G rectangles to the top and bottom of Stardust blocks. Press towards G.



16. Lay out the Stardust blocks with the H and I border strips and join together pressing towards the H and I strips.



This row measures 8½" x 48½".

17. This row can now be added to the previous five rows if desired.

A very special thank you to my pattern testers for this row: Susie Hedrick and Jeanet Wilson. I really appreciate all that you do for me!!

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