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Santa Rosa Quilt Guild

August 2014

Block of the Month

Due September 4, 2014



Sample Block

Hunter's Star

The theme for 2014 Block of the Month program is "Good Foundations." As the year progresses, the paper pieced blocks will increase in complexity. We hope you enjoy learning and honing your skills with this precise method of making quilt blocks.

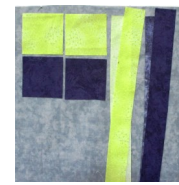
"Hunter's Star" is made with just two fabrics; one light, one dark. Unfinished block is 8-1/2" square; finished is 8". The pattern (**print twice**) is attached to this direction sheet. Using a 90 needle and a stitch line of 1.5, sew directly on the pattern lines. Do not remove the paper (except where indicated otherwise).

1. The finished block is made of four quarter blocks. Each quarter block is made of two sections with opposing color schemes.
2. From a 2" x 26" strip of each fabric, fold strip in half to make a folded strip 2" x 13" with back sides together. Align the ends and cut a 45° angle from the cut end .
3. Align your ruler with the angled side and cut 2" diamonds. You will get a total of 4 sets of paired diamonds. One will be piece 2 and the other piece 3. These pieces are not interchangeable.
4. Before you start piecing, flip the pattern over and, using a light box or window, draw a perpendicular line through the 90° angle (4a) so you can use that as a center line through construction of the quarter block (4b).
5. Center and pin piece #1 to the back side of the pattern (5a). Fold the pattern at the line between 1 & 2 and trim to 1/4" (5b)

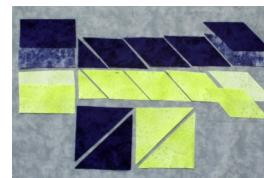
Piece #	Fabric Dimensions	Value
1	2" X 4"	A light, B dark
2,3	2" x 26" (see directions #2)	A dark, B light
4	4" square cut diagonally	A light, B dark



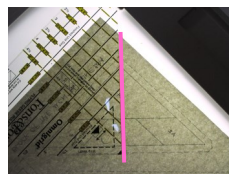
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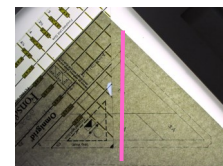
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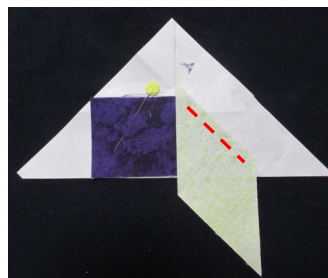


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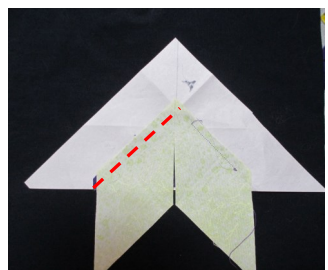
6. Align piece 2 to the trimmed side of piece 1 and sew (- - - -).
7. Repeat steps 5 and 6 with piece 3.
8. Dry iron press pieces 2 & 3 away from piece 1.
9. Fold the pattern at piece 4 and trim to 1/4".
10. Center piece with drawn line. Sew piece 4.
11. Dry press away from 1,2,3.
12. Your two sections will look like this with opposing color schemes.
13. Flip each section to the other side and carefully cut along the dotted seam lines, including the points.
14. Your finished sections will look like this.



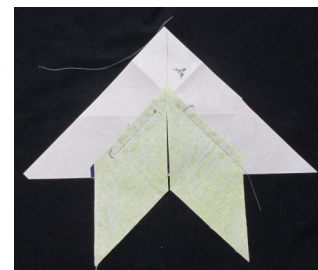
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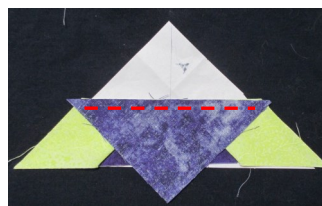
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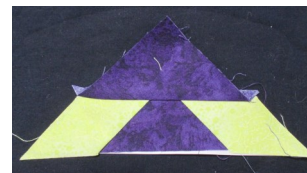
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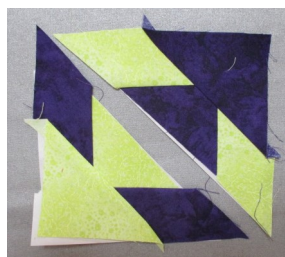
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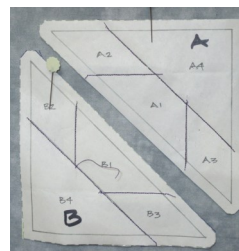
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Assemble the Block:

15. A and B right sides together. Pin match points. Set stitch length to 3.0, baste at beginning, matching points and end. Open the block to be sure your points match. If so, reduce length to 1.5 and sew. If not, remove the baste and do again.



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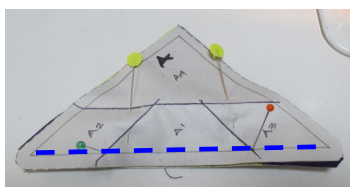


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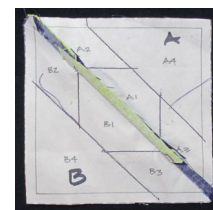
16. Finished quarter block.
17. Flip pattern, remove the paper in just the seam, press open.



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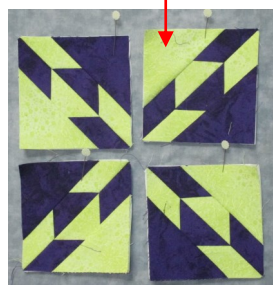


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18. BE SURE TO FOLLOW THIS LAYOUT WITH THE LIGHT FABRIC IN THE UPPER LEFT OF THE UPPER RIGHT QUARTER(!).



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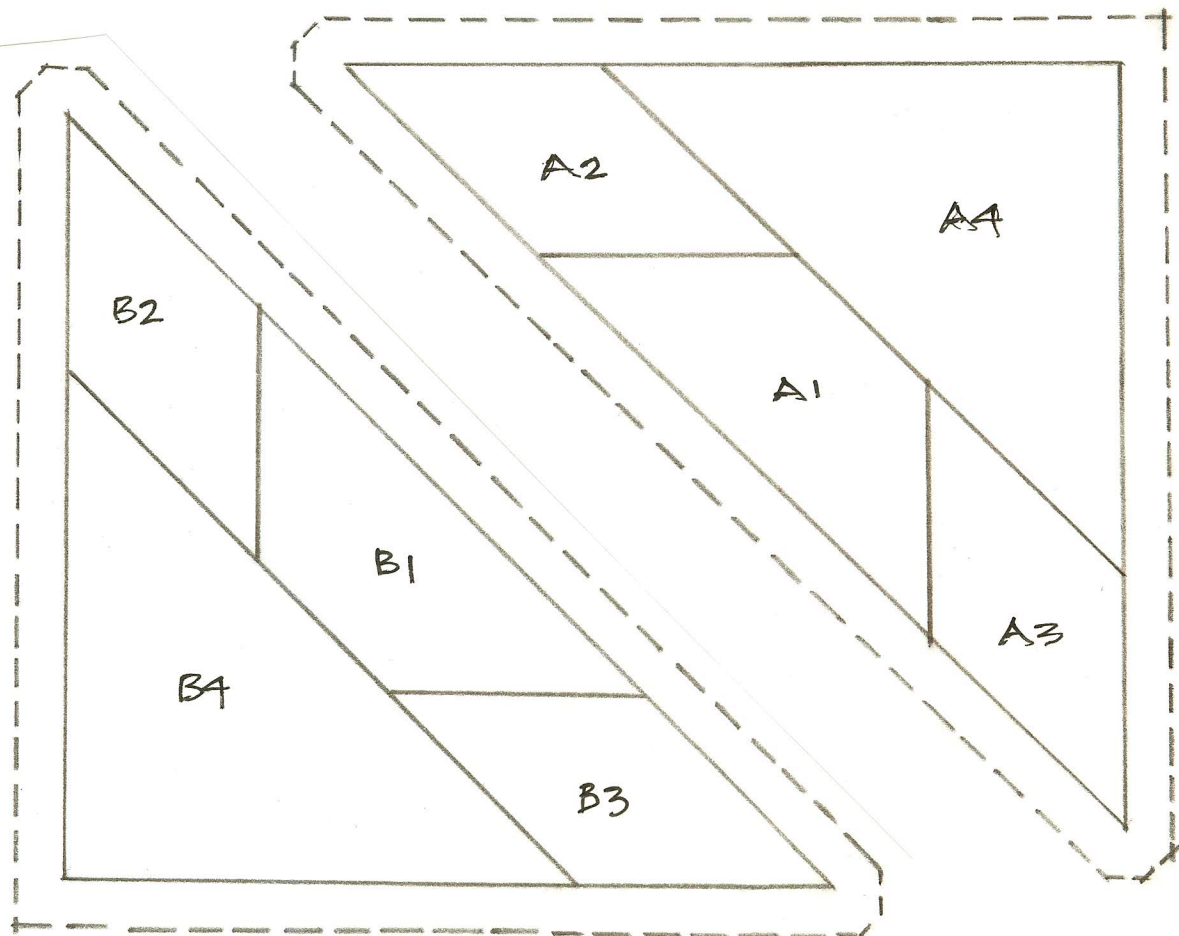
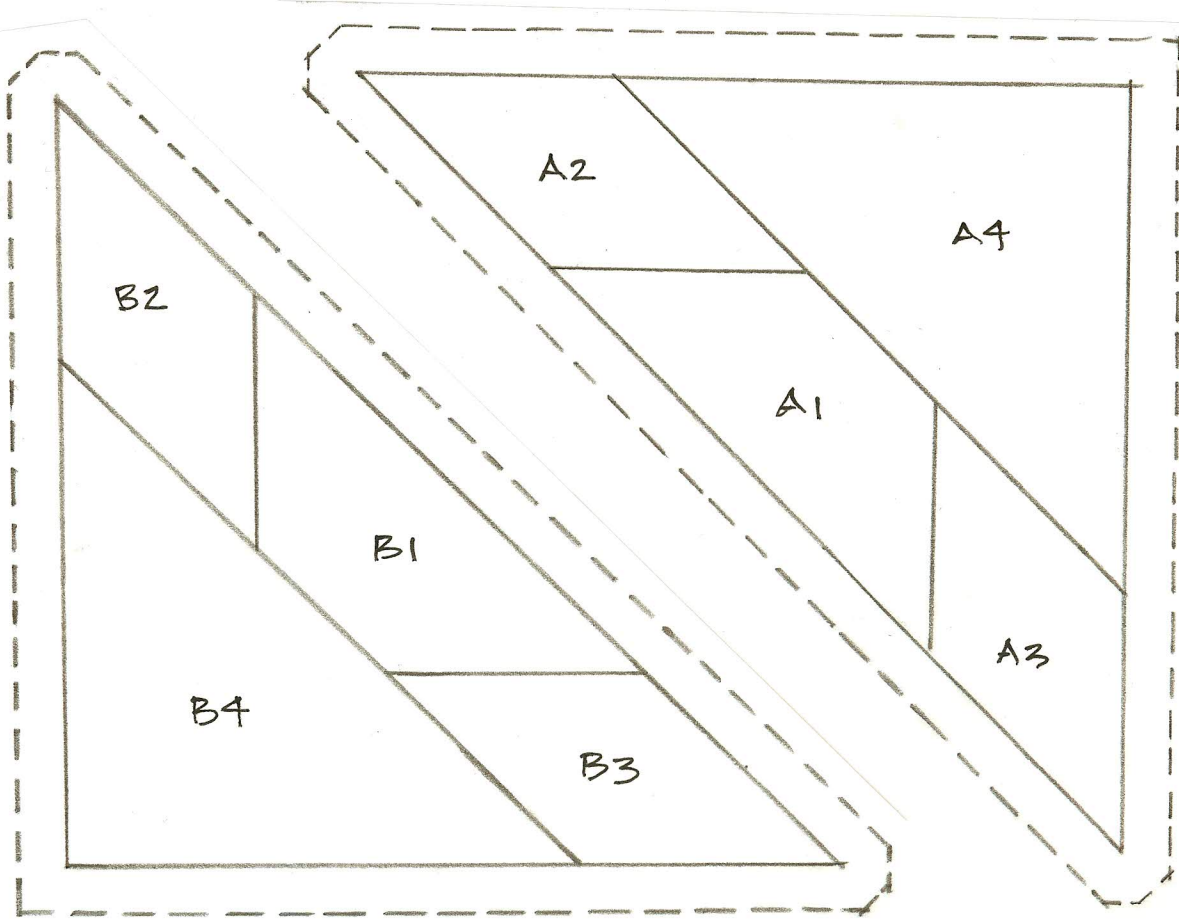


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19. Following the directions in 15, sew quarters together, then halves.

20. The final layout might look like this.

Don't stress ... have fun ... lots of good skills to learn with this block!



"HUNTER'S STAR" BLOCK OF THE MONTH JUNE 2014
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