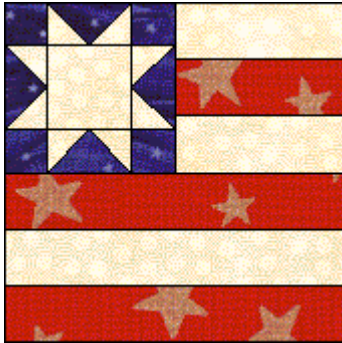


New York State Table Topper

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The tragic events of September 11, 2001 will never be far from our minds. We as quilters have learned to express our feelings by stitching them into our quilts. Sharing this free pattern with you is a small part of my heartfelt expression as the first anniversary of September 11 approached.

Stitch this quick and easy table topper for your home or as a gift for someone who needs to know you care. Pass the love in this quilt on to a world that so desperately needs it!

This block is a variation of the block from the series of USA state star blocks that appeared in *Hearth and Home* magazine between the years 1907 and 1912. Make four blocks and add borders to make the table topper illustrated below.

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONE BLOCK

Finished block size: 12.00"

RED FABRIC:

- TWO 2 1/2" x 12 1/2" strips (A)
- ONE 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" strip (B)

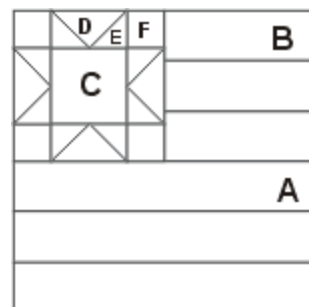
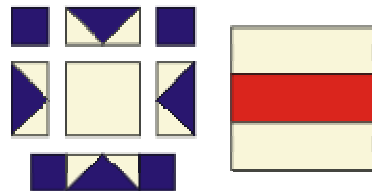
WHITE FABRIC:

- ONE 2 1/2" x 12 1/2" strip (A)
- TWO 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" strips (B)
- ONE 3 1/2" square (C)
- Cut FOUR 2 3/8" squares. Cut these squares in half diagonally to make eight half square triangles. (E)

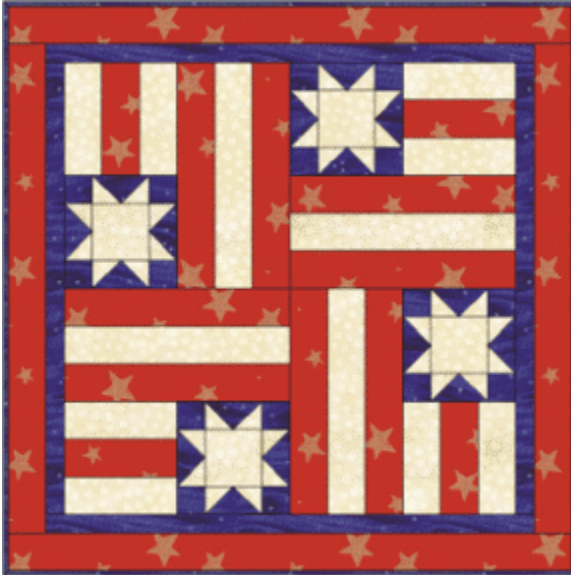
BLUE FABRIC:

- Cut ONE 4 1/4" square. Cut this square in half diagonally **twice**, to make four quarter square triangles. (D)
- Cut FOUR 2.00" squares (F)

BLOCK ASSEMBLY



LAYOUT FOR TABLE TOPPER:



Finished Size: 30.00" x 30.00"

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS FOR BORDERS:

Border #1 cut::

- TWO 1 1/2" x 24 1/2"
- TWO 1 1/2" x 26 1/2"

YARDAGE (1/4 yd. extra added to totals)

- Red print: 1 yd.
- White print: 5/8 yd.
- Blue: 1 1/4 yds. (includes enough for cross grain cut, double-fold binding)
- Backing: 1 yd.

BASIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE QUILT:

1. Make four blocks and stitch them together, referring to the quilt illustration for layout.

Helpful Hint: Use strip piecing shortcuts for the stripes, and use my [No Waste Flying Geese](#) method for the star points.

2. Cut out borders (see cutting sizes below quilt picture) and then attaching them to the quilt center, short sides first, then the top and bottom.

3. Layer quilt top, batting and backing. Quilt as you desire. (Ideas: Outline stitch the stars, and then quilt hearts in the star centers. Then maybe add a continuous-line type "star & stipple" design in the remaining quilt...or if you're adventurous, follow the stripes.

4. Cut, piece and stitch on the binding. (Use your favorite method!)

5. Label and date your work! You might even add to the label..."Designed by Patti R. Anderson" and then add your info.

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