

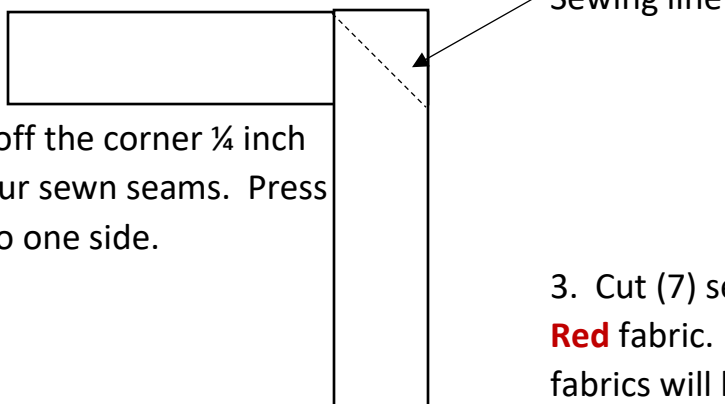
Scrappy Stars and Stripes

So I got into my stash of 2 ½ inch strips and decided I should liberate some of them from the stuffy box that had become their home. It seemed that an Independence Day Quilt would be ever so appropriate.....just say'in!

FABRIC Requirements:

Red	(9) 2 ½ inch x WOF strips
Blue	(5) 2 ½ x WOF strips
White	5/8 yard (5) 2 ½ x WOF strips and (3) stars
Binding	1/3 yard (cut four 2 ½ inch strips)
Backing	1 ¼ yards

1. Sew all **Red** strips together, end to end on the diagonal as shown. Repeat with all **Blue** and then all **White** strips.



2. Trim off the corner ¼ inch from your sewn seams. Press seams to one side.

3. Cut (7) segments that are 2 ½ x 30 inches from **Red** fabric. Be sure to cut them so that several fabrics will be represented in each strip.

Cut (6) segments 2 ½ x 30 inches from **White** fabric. Cut (6) 2 ½ x 26 inch segments from the **Blue** fabric. * Note: there will be some waste while cutting these segments in order to have multiple fabrics in each sub-cut strip.

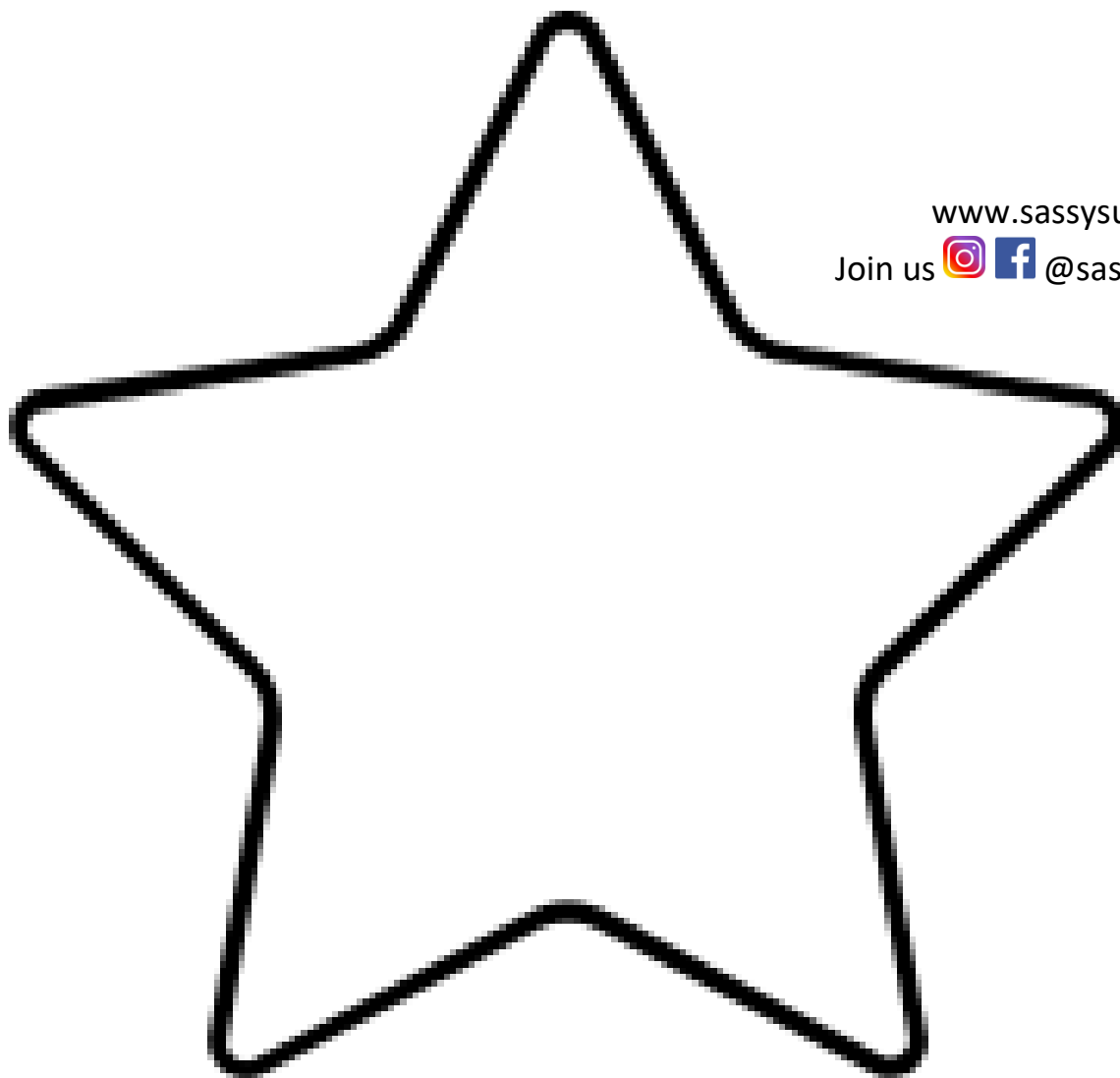
4. Lay out your strips as shown in photo. Adjust the strips so that you are happy with how the fabrics line up and fit together. I call this "auditioning your fabrics". Sew **Red** and **White** strips right sides together, press seams. Sew **Blue** Strips right sides together, press seams.

5. Sew **Red** and **White** panel to blue panel. Press. Trim **Blue** Panel as necessary on each side.



6. Trace 3 stars on fusible web, cut and fuse to blue panel according to instructions. Applique in place. Quilt as desired!



Happy 4th of July!



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