

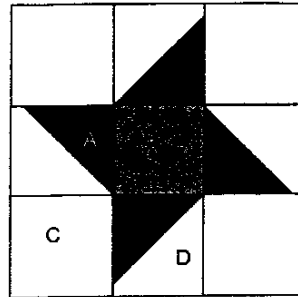
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Quilts of Valor Friendship Star

10" finished size block 10 1/2" unfinished
13" - 14" unfinished size after adding sashing

QOV Instructions:

1. Use 100% cotton, quilt store quality fabric that is pre-washed.
2. Sew skimpy 1/4" seams to allow for the fabric lost in pressing.
3. Use patriotic colors to make the block. Background can be white, cream, tan, beige, etc to co-ordinate with other fabrics.
3. Use 2" red or navy strips to frame the block. Later the block will be trimmed to 12 1/2", but do not trim yet.

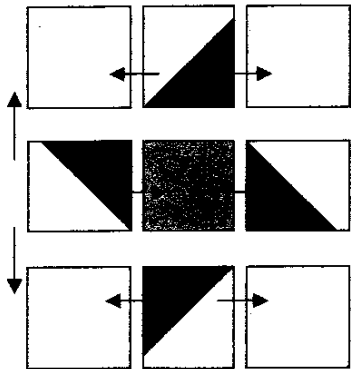


Cutting Instructions for Each Block:

Star Points	Cut four squares 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	A
Center Square	Cut one square 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"	B
Background - Corners	Cut four squares 4" x 4"	C
Sides	Cut four rectangles 3 1/2" x 4"	D
Sashing for frames (these do not have to be exact)	Cut two rectangles 2" x 11" Cut two rectangles 2" x 14"	

Sewing Instructions:

1. Using A and D, place A at right end of D. Sew diagonally from corner to corner as in diagram at right. Be sure to sew them all at the angle shown. Press toward corner to make triangle. Trim excess to leave 1/4" seam allowance. Unit should measure 3 1/2" x 4". Repeat to make four.



2. Lay out units and remaining pieces as in drawing at left. Sew units together in rows, pressing seams as indicated by arrows inside block diagram. Sew rows together and press away from center row as shown with arrows beside block. Trim to straighten the edges if needed.

3. Treat the sashing strips like borders:
Place the 11" sashing strips down center of block, vertically. Mark the length needed and cut that length, easing the block to fit sashing.

Sew to the two sides. Press toward the sashing. Repeat with the 14" sashing strips and sew to the top and bottom. Press toward the sashing.

Do not trim. Later the blocks will be trimmed to 12 1/2".

