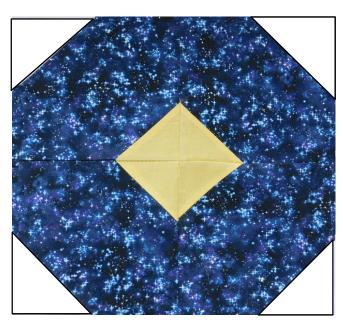
## MARCH 2019 a simple & fast block

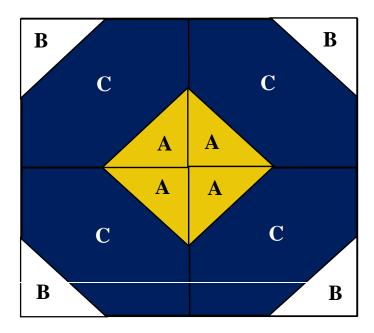


## WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- 4 6.5" squares of dark blue small print fabric (C)
- 4 3" squares of yellow solid or small print (A)
- 4 3" squares of white solid, metallic if possible (B)

(Please excuse white line on right block - it is a .PDF error I cannot find.)

## **Sparkling Diamonds**



CONSTRUCTION: Using metallic white fabric creates the look of sparkling diamonds on a dark background.

Draw a light diagonal line on the back of each of the 3" squares. Lay the white squares on a corner of each dark square with right sides together (RST). Stitch along the diagonal line on each white square. Turn the square outward,

press well and trim excess fabric off the back side. Now place a yellow square on the opposite corner of each dark square, stitch, turn out and press, and trim as before. You now have 4 "snowball" technique squares. Join the top 2 squares so that the whites are on the outside. Join the lower squares similarly. Then join the top and bottom rows as shown above. Press well and STARCH. Be careful not to stretch the diagonal triangles. The completed block should be 12-1/2" square.

This block is particularly appealing if a red stripe is used instead of the blue large block, with the stripes cut so that they run on the diagonal. Then using blue fabric toward the center and white on the outside, you have a great QOV offering.