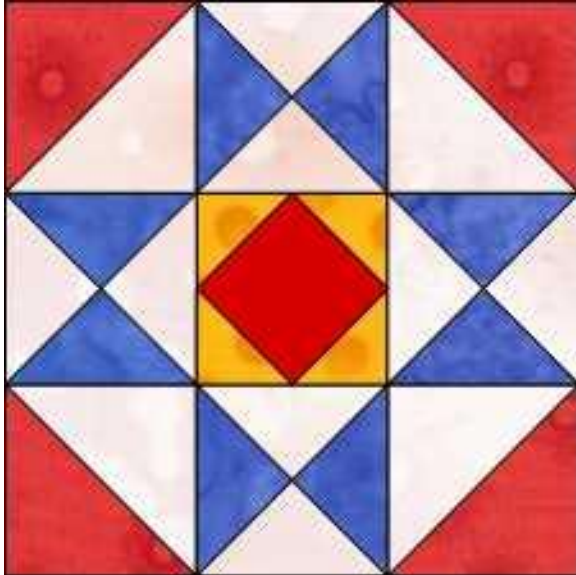


Month Three – Lone Star



About this block:

This block is a variation of a traditional Ohio Star. It appears on a barn along the Perry County, Arkansas quilt trail. More information about the Arkansas Barn Quilt Trails may be found at [www.arkansasquilttrails.com](http://www.arkansasquilttrails.com).

The block will finish 12" square, and is 12-1/2 inches raw.

Fabric:

Choose four colors of your choice. You are not required to use any particular fabric.

- Color 1 (shown as red) – corner half square triangles and the center of the square in a square block (unless you choose to fussy cut a center for the block)
  - Two 5-1/4 inch squares for the half square triangle blocks
  - Square for the center of the square in a square unit. Size will depend on the method used (see steps, below). You also can fussy cut a center square.
- Color 2 (shown as beige) – corner half square triangles and quarter square triangles
  - Two 5-1/4 inch squares for the half square triangle blocks
  - Two 5-1/2 inch squares for the quarter square triangle blocks
- Color 3 (shown as blue) – quarter square triangles
  - Two 5-1/2 inch squares for the quarter square triangle blocks
- Color 4 – sides of the square in a square block (shown as gold)
  - Size of the squares will depend on the method you use to piece this unit.

### Steps:

- Make the corner half square triangle units using colors one and two. Place one square of each color right sides together. Draw a line from one corner to the other on the diagonal of the lighter colored square. Stitch  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on each side of the line. Cut apart along the diagonal. Press to the dark side. Trim to 4-1/2 inches square.
- Make the quarter square triangles. Place one square of each color right sides together. Draw a line on the diagonal of the lighter colored square. Stitch  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on each side of the line. Cut apart along the diagonal. Press to the dark side. DO NOT trim yet. Place two half square triangle blocks together, matching the seam. Draw a line from one corner to the other along the diagonal. Stitch  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch on each side of the line. Cut apart along the diagonal. Press and trim to 4-1/2 inches square.
- Make the square in a square. There are many ways to make this unit.
  - Generations quilt has a tutorial using a center square and four smaller squares, here: <https://www.generations-quilt-patterns.com/square-in-a-square-quilt-block.html>
  - Bonnie Hunter has a tutorial using the Easy Angle ruler here: <https://quiltville.blogspot.com/2005/06/square-in-square-tutorial.html>
  - Deb Tucker Square Squared Ruler, using instructions that come with the ruler.
  - You can paper piece the unit. Generations quilt has the paper piecing template here: <https://www.generations-quilt-patterns.com/support-files/square-in-a-square-4in.pdf>
- Assemble the block as shown in the photo. Trim to 12-1/2 inches if necessary.

### Tips:

THERE WILL BE A HELP SESSION ON MARCH 18 FROM 10 AM TO 12 PM AT HICKORY HILL. You can bring any BOM block for which you need assistance or just to have fun exploring some alternatives for piecing the blocks.