

Beyond the Stars

(Block of the Month)

Book "256 Fat Quarters Quilt Blocks" Design by Julie Weaver
Quilt Size 64" by 78" Block 12" by 12"
Number of blocks – 12

Recommended Number of Fat Quarters – 20

Recommended Colors of Fat Quarters

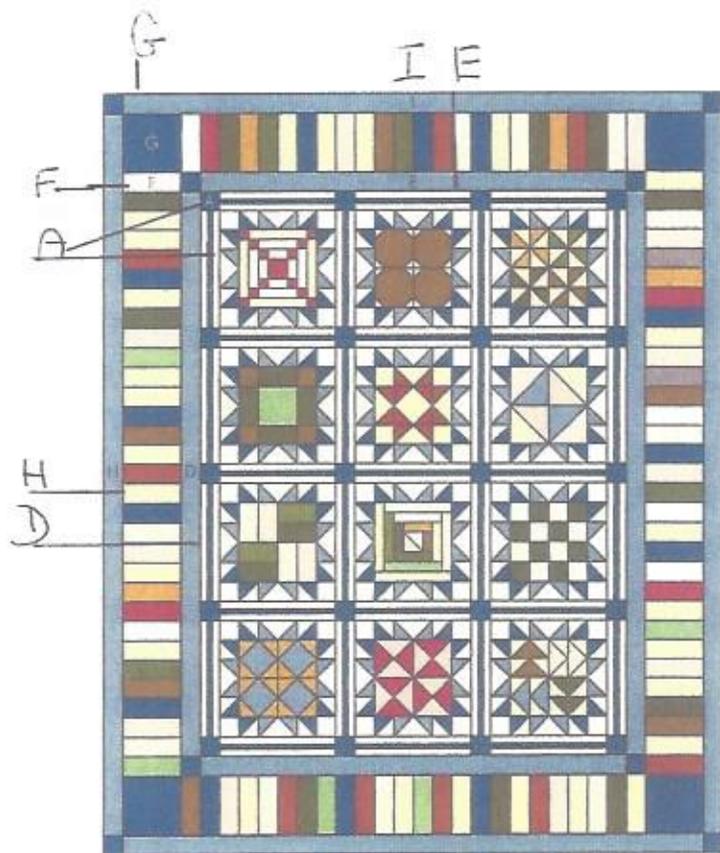
1 medium brown	1 dark brown	1 light pink	2 blue (1,2)
2 mauve (1,2)	2 light green (1,2)	2 medium green (1,2)	
2 dark green (1,2)	3 burgundy (1,2,3,)	4 tan (1,2,3,4,)	

Additional Fabrics

1 1/3 yards blue print 1 5/8 yards navy mottled 1 7/8 yards cream tonal
Backing and Batting 70" x 94"

Press all fat quarters, label each one example: light green 1, light green 2

Blocks to be made: Courthouse Steps Star,
Flying Geese Star,
Four Patch Star,
Half Square Triangle Star,
Log Cabin Star,
Ohio Star-in-a Star,
Pinwheel Star,
Quarter-Square Triangle Star,
Rail Fence Star,
Snowball Star,
Square-in-a-square Star,
Uneven-nine Patch Star



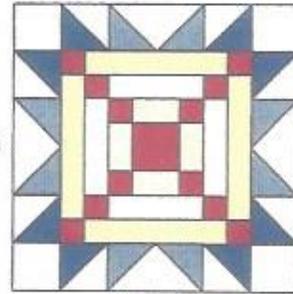
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Placement Diagram
64" x 78"

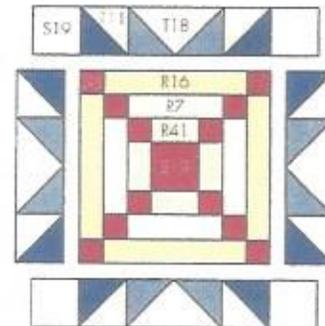
Block #1 Courthouse Steps Star

Cutting Instructions

1. Cut (1) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " X $2\frac{1}{2}$ " burgundy S19 Squares
2. Cut (12) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " X $1\frac{1}{2}$ " burgundy S3 Squares
3. Cut (4) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " X $2\frac{1}{2}$ " tan R41 rectangles
4. Cut (4) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " X $4\frac{1}{2}$ " tan R7 rectangles
5. Cut (4) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " X $6\frac{1}{2}$ " tan R16 rectangles



Courthouse Steps Star
12" x 12" Block



Templates Needed
R7, R16, R41, S3,
S19, T11 & T18

Piecing Instructions

1. Referring to the Piecing Diagram to piece one block, sew a light R41 to opposite side of S19 (burgundy)
2. Sew an S3 square to each end of the remaining R41 pieces; repeat for two units. Sew these units to the remaining side to the stitched unit.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 with the R7 and S3 pieces; sew to the center unit.
4. Repeat steps 1 and 2 with the R16 and S3 pieces; sew to the center unit.

Cutting for blocks and finishing the star (this will result in cutting star pieces for all 12 blocks, sashing, borders and binding for entire quilt) **LABEL PIECES**

1. Cut (3) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " by fabric width strips of cream tonal; sub cut strips into (48) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " S19 squares.
2. Cut (2) $5\frac{1}{4}$ " by fabric width strips cream tonal; sub cut strips into (12) $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares. Cut each square on both diagonals to make 48 T18 triangles.
3. Cut (4) $2\frac{7}{8}$ " by fabric width strips each cream tonal (light), navy mottled (dark) and blue print (medium); sub cut strips in (48) $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares for each fabric; cut each square on one diagonal to make 96 T11 triangles each from light, medium and dark fabric.
4. Cut (2) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " by fabric width strips navy mottles sub cut strips into (28) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " A squares.
5. Cut (22) $1\frac{1}{4}$ " by fabric width B strips cream tonal.
6. Cut (11) 1" by fabric width C strips navy mottled.
7. Cut (5) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " by fabric width strips blue print; join strips on short ends to make one long strip. Sub cut strip into (2) $58\frac{1}{2}$ " D strips and (2) $44\frac{1}{2}$ " E strips.
8. Cut (1) 10 assorted $2\frac{1}{2}$ " X $6\frac{1}{2}$ " F strips from the remaining fat quarters.
9. Cut (4) $6\frac{1}{2}$ " X $6\frac{1}{2}$ " G squares navy mottled.
10. Cut (7) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " by fabric width strips blue print; join strips on shorts ends to make one long strip. Sub cut into (2) $74\frac{1}{2}$ " H strips and (2) $60\frac{1}{2}$ " I strips.
11. Cut (8) $2\frac{1}{4}$ " by fabric width strips navy mottled for binding.

Sewing the pieces to finish the star border

1. Sew a dark T11 (navy mottled) and light T11 (cream tonal) on the diagonal; repeat for (8) T11 units. Chain piece if you like. Sew a T11 (cream tonal) to the short sides of T18 (blue print) to make a side unit; repeat for four side units. Make sure to match points on the long side to ensure accurate seams. Square up each square and rectangles. NOTE: press one side before sewing the second T11 (cream tonal).
2. Sew a T11 (navy mottled/cream tonal) unit to each short end of a side unit (cream tonal/blue print). Sew a T11 side unit to opposite sides of the pieced center.
3. On two sides sew S19 to opposite ends of the 2 sides of the pieced unit
4. Add borders to original block and press. Block will measure $12 \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \frac{1}{2}$ until sewn with other blocks/sashes.

HINT: You can sew all the star borders in advance, then just add to the block for each month.

