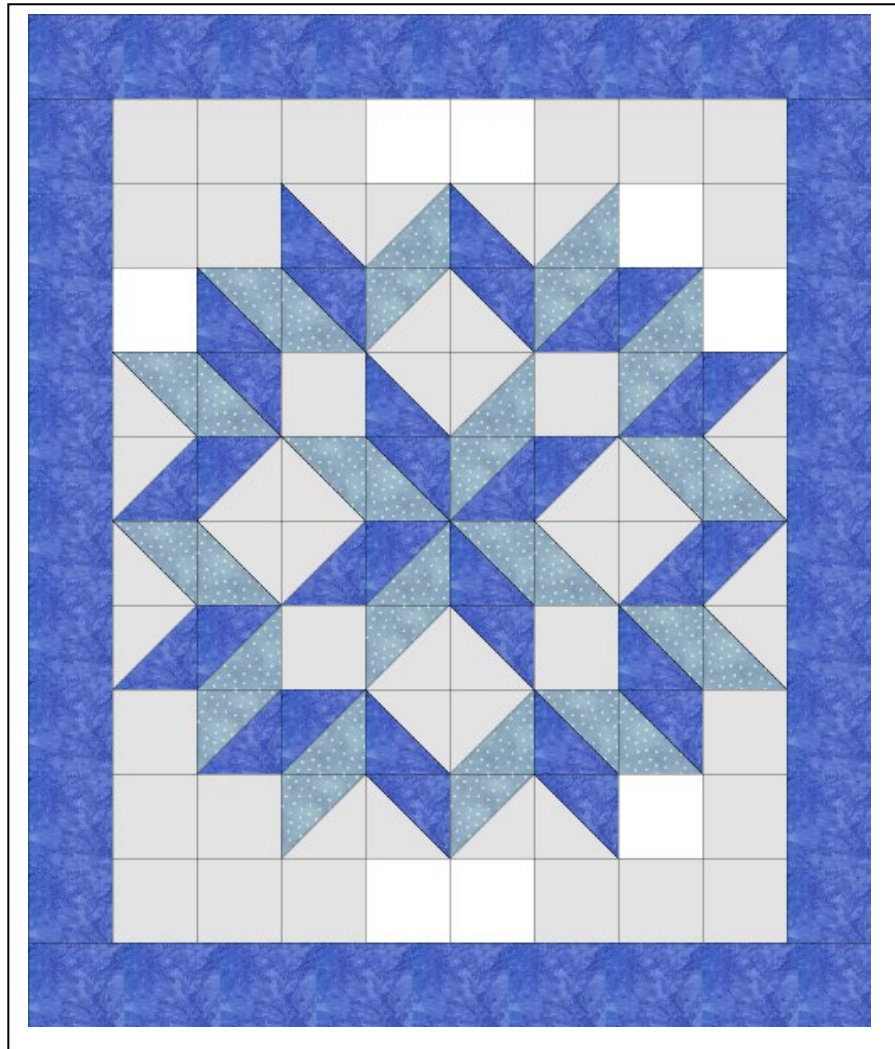


Quick and Easy, Carpenter Star, Quilt Top

60" x 72"



Fabric Supplies:

1 yard of a dark fabric

1 yard of a medium fabric

1 yard of border fabric

2 1/2 yards of background fabric.

(Yardage is generous to allow for mis-cuts).

Please make sure you have a good contrast between the background fabric, the medium fabric and the dark fabric, to ensure the design of the pattern will stand out. Quilt top finishes at approximately 60 x 72, depending on your borders.

All of the blocks, units or squares should measure un-finished size at 6 1/2 inches. The finished size of the blocks and squares will measure 6 inches finished.

Make the following units:

32 Plain Fabric Block - Background Squares

16 Half Square Triangle Blocks - Background Fabric and Fabric One

16 Half Square Triangle Blocks - Background Fabric and Fabric Two

16 Half Square Triangle Blocks - Fabric One and Fabric Two

Layout the squares according to the quilt top above.

Sew the blocks together with 1/4 inch seam allowance.

Add a 6 1/2 inch X 60 1/2 inch borders to both of the sides.

Add a 6 1/2 inch X 60 1/2 inch borders to the top and the bottom of the quilt.

Quilt and enjoy!

Use your favorite Half Square Triangle Technique. Here are examples of Half Square Triangles two easy ways.

Makes two half-square triangles -

To make 1/2 square triangles without cutting your fabric square diagonally in half, add 7/8" to the finished size of your block. In this case, 6 inches is the desired finished size, so cut your squares 6 7/8". Place your two fabrics with right sides facing. Draw a diagonal line across the block and then sew 1/4" on either side of the line. Cut the block on the diagonal line and you will have two finished half-square blocks.

The Magic 8 half square triangles.

Step 1: To make a Magic 8, first determine what size *finished* half-square triangles are desired.

For our pattern, you want to make 6" *finished* half-square triangles.

Add to your 6" measurement, 7/8". (Your total is now 6-7/8")

Multiply your total of 6-7/8" by 2. (That equals 12-3/4")

12-3/4" squares are the size needed to make your 6" *finished* half-square triangles.

Step 2: Cut two squares the desired size based on the formula above.

Step 3: With right sides together, draw two diagonal lines corner to corner.

Step 4: Stitch a quarter inch of either side of both drawn lines.

Step 5: Carefully cut apart without shifting the stitched fabric square.

There will be four cuts:

Cut 1: Vertical cut right down the center.

Cut 2: Cut across the center horizontally.

Cuts 3 and 4: Cut on both the drawn diagonal lines.

Voila! You now have 8 half-squares triangles using the Magic 8 method.

All Squares, Blocks or Units for this quilt measure 6 1/2 inches un-finished, or 6 inches finished. (Everyone calls the units something different).

The Border is made with 4 strips of fabric 6 1/2 inches x 60 1/2 inches

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