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Striped & Spangled - 65" x 80" for QOV

Welcome to Striped & Spangled, a cheerful homage to our country's flag. Based on a variation of a "stacked coins" quilt, the pattern is set vertically and sprinked with appliquéd stars. These instructions guide you through easy piecing to make a fast and fun patriotic quilt.

BASIC INFO BEFORE YOU GET STARTED

- Quilt Sizes: These instructions are for a quilt that is approximately 65" x 80". You can add optional borders to make it larger if you like.
- <u>Fabrics:</u> This pattern assumes your full width of fabric (WOF) is at least 40" wide once the selvedges are removed. Remove the selvedges from all fabrics before cutting.
- <u>Basic Quilting Skills:</u> This pattern assumes you know how to use rotary cutting tools and sew a quarter-inch seam. If
 you don't have a handle on these things yet, stop in at your local quilt store and get a lesson or two. Once you have
 your basic construction skills down quilting becomes a lot more fun!
- <u>Basic Appliqué Skills:</u> This pattern assumes that you know how to appliqué in a manner that suits you, either fusible or sewn. Check out your local store or YouTube.com for instructions on different techniques. Note I did fusible appliqué with an added machine blanket stitch on the cover guilt hand appliqué is NOT required!
- <u>Basic Finishing Skills:</u> This pattern also assumes you know how to add borders (if desired), construct a back, layer a quilt, quilt it (or send it out!) and put on the binding. Again, check with your local quilt store for lessons or YouTube. com for tutorials if you need a hand.
- <u>Pressing:</u> In general, press all seams after sewing towards the darkest fabric when possible or in the direction that fights back at you the least, unless the pattern specifically tells you to press a certain way.

CONSTRUCTION OVERVIEW - STRIPS

Striped and Spangled is made from 5.5" Strips (5" finished). Each Strip Unit is made from one WOF strip of RED or WHITE Fabric and one WOF strip of BLUE Background Fabric (cut into 2 pieces). The Strip Units are approximately 80" long. They are arranged vertically in the final quilt, but to make for easier diagrams (not to mention saving paper), they are drawn horizontally in some parts of this pattern.



Once the top is put together, STARS are appliquéd onto the BLUE Background fabric, using your choice of fusible, hand or machine appliqué technique.

1. CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

BLUE Background Fabric:

Cut 13 @ 5.5" x WOF strips. Remove selvedges and trim to 41"

RED Stripe Fabric:

Cut 7 @ 5.5" x WOF Strips. Remove selvedges and trim to 40.5"

WHITE Stripe Fabric:

Cut 6 @ 5.5" x WOF Strips. Remove selvedges and trim to 40.5"

Reserve YELLOW Star Fabric for Step 4.

2. ASSEMBLY: STRIPS

Each STRIP Unit is made using one BLUE Background Strip and one RED or WHITE Strip.

One BLUE Background Strip is used to make both sections of one STRIP Unit - the first BLUE section is cut from the strip, and the remainder of it is used for the second section of the same STRIP Unit.

Follow the cutting chart below to prepare the fabrics for the STRIP Units.

Cut the BLUE Background according to the chart, and sew the RED or WHITE section between the BLUES accordingly.

ROW	1st BLUE Section	RED or WHITE Center	2nd BLUE Section
Row M	BLUE: 20.5"	RED	BLUE: 20.5"
Row L	BLUE: 14.5"	WHITE	BLUE: 26.5"
Row K	BLUE: 23.5"	RED	BLUE: 17.5"
Row J	BLUE: 19.5"	WHITE	BLUE: 21.5"
Row I	BLUE: 10"	RED	BLUE: 31"
Row H	BLUE: 23"	WHITE	BLUE: 18"
Row G	BLUE: 20.5"	RED	BLUE: 20.5"
Row F	BLUE: 15.5"	WHITE	BLUE: 25.5"
Row E	BLUE: 13.5"	RED	BLUE: 27.5 "
Row D	BLUE: 22.5"	WHITE	BLUE: 18.5"
Row C	BLUE: 25.5"	RED	BLUE: 15.5"
Row B	BLUE: 15.5"	WHITE	BLUE: 25.5"
Row A	BLUE: 20.5"	RED	BLUE: 20.5"

3. ASSEMBLY: TOP

Sew the STRIPS from step 2 together, in alphabetical order of the rows (see illustration on next page). Press away from WHITE towards the RED.

TIPS:

I prefer to sew two or three STRIPS together and press them, then sew these larger units together.

I also recommend pinning at least both ends and the center before sewing to avoid stretching the STRIPS as you sew.

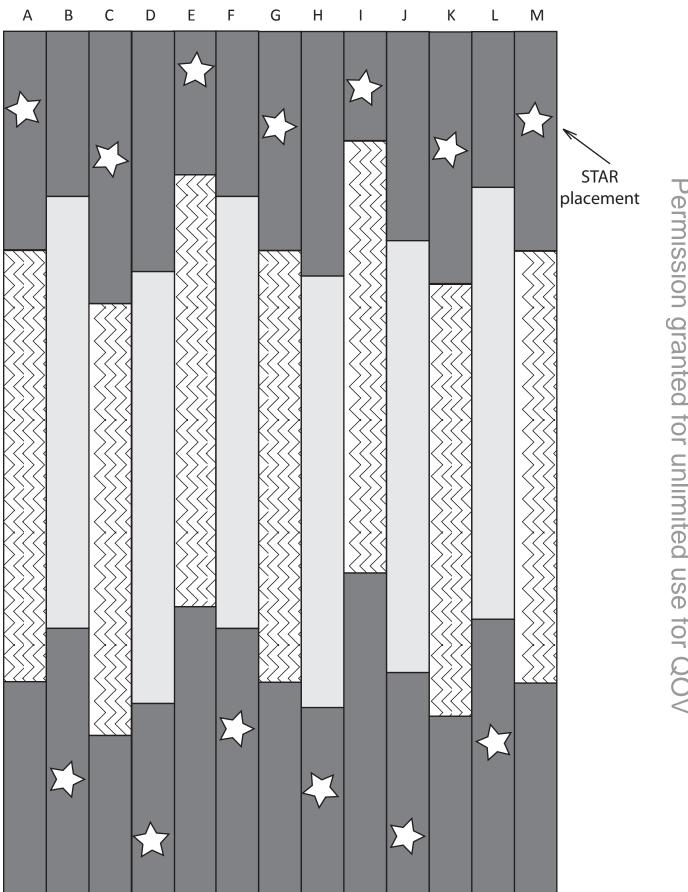
4. APPLIQUÉD STARS

Using the STAR template on the last page, make 13 STARS from the YELLOW Star Fabric to add to your quilt. Note that you will need to add seam allowance to the STAR template for any appliqué method that requires turning under the edges of the STARS.

Use any appliqué method you like to sprinkle the STARS randomly across the quilt top. I choose to add them to the RED/BLUE Strips on one end, and the WHITE/BLUE Strips on the other (see illustration on next page).

AND YOUR QUILT TOP IS COMPLETE!

Quilt and bind as desired.



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SKILL LEVEL 2: All straight seams and straight edges; strip construction; decent 1/4" seam accuracy. Your choice of appliqué methods (fusible, machine, hand, etc.)

Template for STAR appliqué - add seam

allowance as needed.

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS for 65" x 80" top (modified for QOV requirements):

BLUE Background	2 1/8 yds
RED Stripes	1 1/4 yd
WHITE Stripes	1 yd
YELLOW Stars	1/4 yd
Binding	5/8 yd
Backing	4 yds

FABRIC CHOICES: This pattern works well in traditional red, white and blue and can be made in all fabrics, from modern to traditional to batik. It can also look great made scrappy.

RECOMMENDED TOOLS/MATERIALS:

 $5'' \times 5''$ Template Plastic (for traditional appliqué methods) 1/4 yd fusible web (if using fusible appliqué)

PATTERN INCLUDES: Easy-to-follow instructions, templates and illustrations to make a quilt top of approximately $52'' \times 80''$.

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