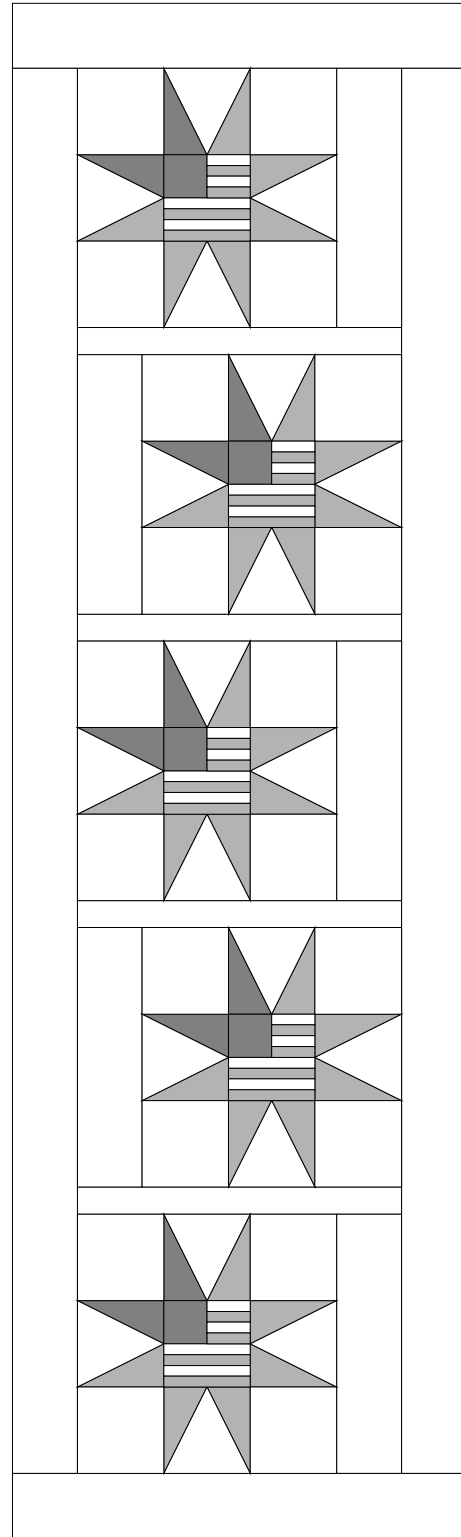


Patriotic Stars Block & Table Runner

Approximate finished size
21 x 71 inches

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Yardage Amounts

Note: Amounts are generous

Single Block

1 Fat Quarter or equivalent of the fabrics listed below will make 1 Patriotic Star block, plus a few more!

Blue Star fabric, **Red Star** fabric, **Red and White** striped fabric, OR solid red and solid white fabric to make your own striped fabric.

Background fabric - 1 Fat Quarter or equivalent

Table Runner Fabric

Blue Star fabric - 1 Fat Quarter

Red Star fabric - 1/2 yard

Red and White striped fabric - 1 Fat Quarter or equivalent

Background fabric - 1-1/4 yard

Border fabric - 1/2 yard

the same as the Background fabric preferred

Backing fabric - 2-1/2 yards

Binding fabric - Red or Blue star fabric preferred - 1/2 yard

Cutting Note:

The piecing instructions for the Star Points are written so that you don't have to use any special piecing rulers.

If you would prefer use special piecing rulers to make the elongated triangles that are used in the Patriotic Star Block, I recommend the following:

Peaky & Spike Templates by Marti Michelle
www.FromMarti.com

Tri-Recs Tool from EZ Quilting

These template sets should be available at your local quilt shop.

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Cutting Chart - Patriotic Star Blocks		
Star Center	1 Block	5 Blocks
Blue Star fabric	1 - 2-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch square	5 - 2-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch squares
Red & White striped fabric	1 - 2-1/2 x 2-1/2 square 1 - 2-1/2 x 4-1/2 rectangle	5 - 2-1/2 x 2-1/2 squares 5 - 2-1/2 x 4-1/2 rectangles
If you would prefer to make your own striped fabric cut the following		
Solid Red fabric	10 - 1 inch x 2-1/2 inch rectangles	10 - 1 inch x 4-1/2 inch rectangles
Solid White fabric	10 - 1 inch x 2-1/2 inch rectangles	10 - 1 inch x 4-1/2 inch rectangles
Star Points	1 Block	5 Blocks
If you are using a piecing template/ruler to cut the Star Point triangles, follow the cutting instructions with the ruler to cut 4-1/2 inch Star Points		
Blue Star fabric	2 Star Point triangles	10 Star Point triangles
Red Star fabric	6 Star Point triangles	30 Star Point triangles
If you are using the piecing instructions on Pages 6, 7 & 8, cut the following rectangles -		
Blue Star fabric	2 - 4-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch rectangles	10 - 4-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch rectangles
Red Star fabric	6 - 4-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch rectangles	30 - 4-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch rectangles
If you are using a piecing template/ruler to cut the Star Point triangles, follow the cutting instructions with the ruler to cut 4-1/2 inch Star Points		
Background fabric	4 - Star Point Centers	20 - Star Point Centers
If you are using the piecing instructions on the following pages, cut the following rectangles		
Background fabric	4 - 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inch squares	20 - 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inch squares
Corner squares	1 Block	5 Blocks
Background fabric	4 - 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inch squares	20 - 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inch squares

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wof = width of fabric

Background Fabric

The strips will be cut to size during construction

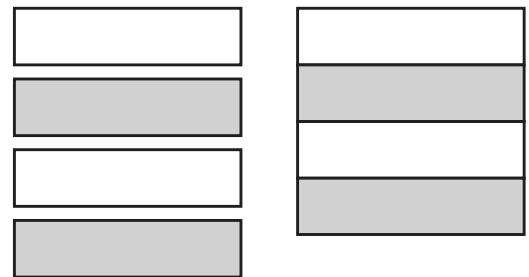
Cut Background fabric into -

7 - 3-1/2 x wof strips
(includes 5 strips for the border)

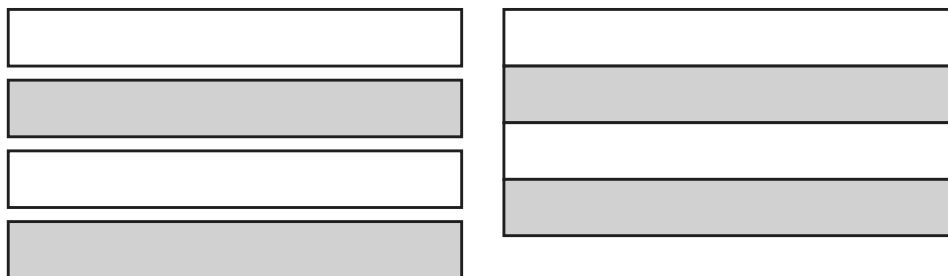
2 - 2 inch x wof strips

Star Center - Pieced Stripes

Take the 1 inch x 2-1/2 inch pieces of the Solid Red and Solid White fabrics and stitch them together along the long edges. Press to one side See illustration at the right.

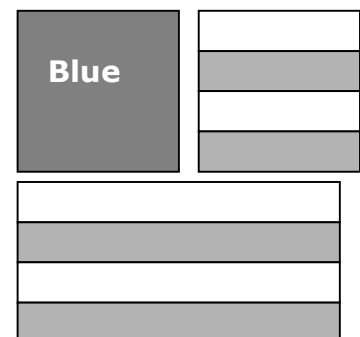


Take the 1 inch x 4-1/2 inch pieces of the Solid Red and Solid White fabrics and stitch them together along the long edges. Press to one side See illustration below.



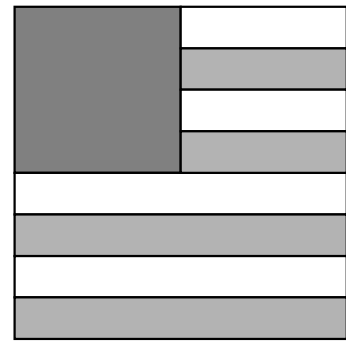
Take the 2-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch piece of the Blue Star fabric and the two (sewn) striped pieces and place them EXACTLY as shown at the right.

Stitch these pieces together like a 4-Patch and press as desired.



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The completed Star Center block is shown in the illustration at the right. This piece should measure 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inches square, including seam allowances.

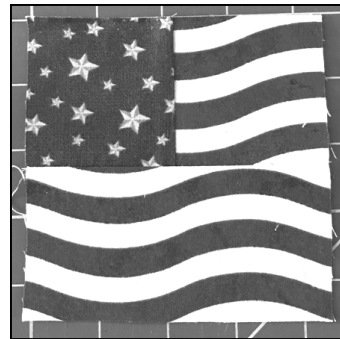
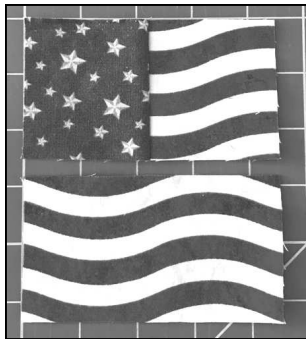


Make 1 Star Center for each block you are making.

Star Center - Striped Fabric

If you are using Red and White striped fabric, place the pieces as shown in the photo below left. Stitch together like a 4-Patch to form the Star Center. Press as desired. The completed Star Center is shown in the photo below right. This piece should measure 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inches square, including seam allowances.

Make 1 Star Center for each block you are making.



Star Points - using templates/rulers

If you are using piecing templates/rulers, follow the directions to make the following **4-1/2 inch** square Star Point blocks.

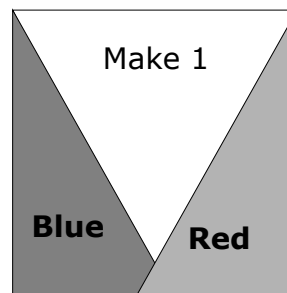
For **EACH** Patriotic Star Block you will need the following -

1 - Star Point with Blue fabric on the left and Red fabric on the right. (See upper left)

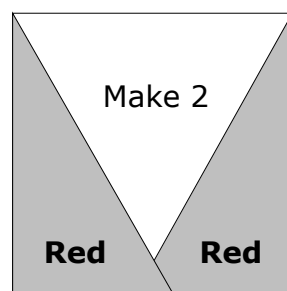
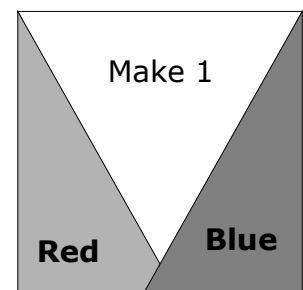
1 - Star Point with Red fabric on the left and Blue fabric on the right. (See middle right)

2 - Star Points with Red fabric on the left and Red fabric on the right. (See bottom left)

If you are **NOT** using piecing templates/rulers, go to the next page.



These Star Point Units are 4-1/2 x 4-1/2 inches square



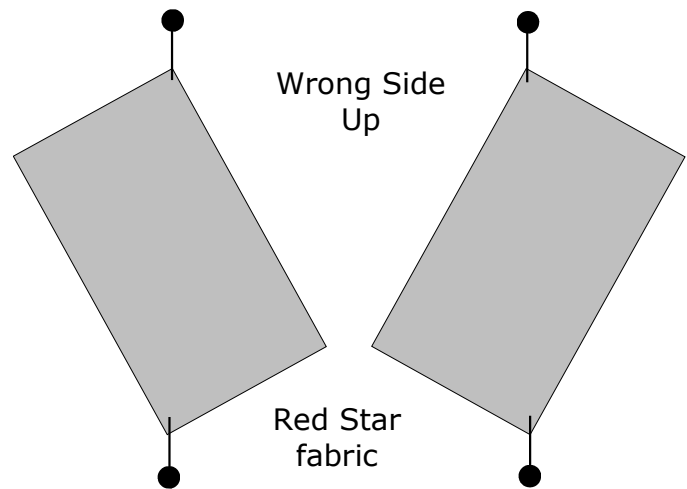
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Star Points - without rulers

On a padded surface, **WRONG** sides up, **pin** **OPPOSITE** corners of 2 - 4-1/2 x 2-1/2 inch Star Point fabric **EXACTLY** as shown in the illustration at the right.

Note: - I like to use a padded and gridded ironing pad or a folded terry towel on top of my ironing board.

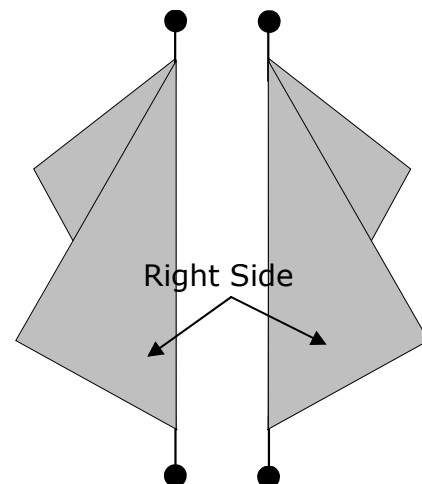
Start with the Red Star fabric to make the Star Points.



Take the "flaps" that were to the inside, and fold them out as shown at the right. Make sure that the fold that is being created is along a long straight line. The **RIGHT** side of the fabric is on the top.

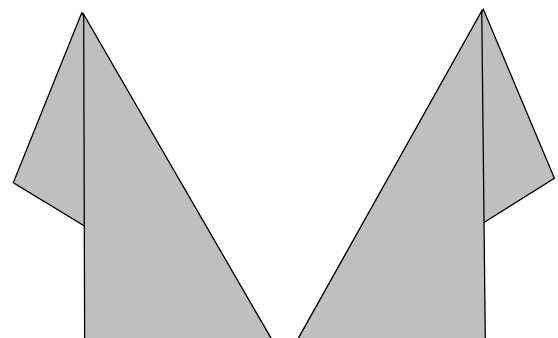
Press to make a crease line along the fold line. You now have right and left leaning long triangle pieces.

Your Star Points should look **EXACTLY** like the illustration at the right.



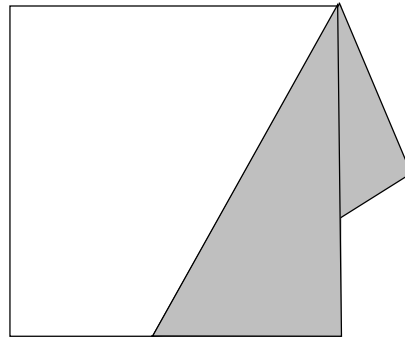
Remove the pins and re-position the (new) long triangles as shown at the right.

DO NOT TRIM YET!!



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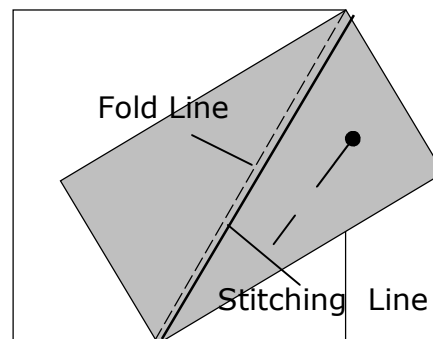
Take a light 4-1/2 inch fabric square and position ONE Star Point as show at the right. Make sure that the lower (straight) corner of the triangle matches the same corner of the background square.



Carefully open the Star Point and place a pin or two on the "under flap" of fabric.

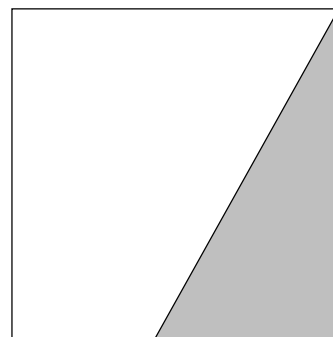
Instead of pins, use fabric glue stick or similar product to hold in place

Stitch just inside of the fold line.

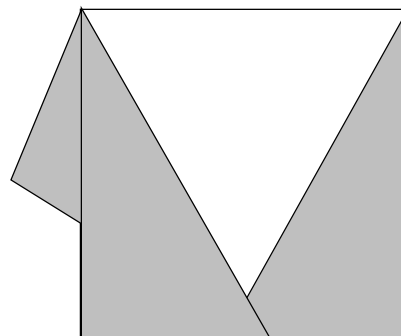


Fold the Star Point back into position and make sure it is lined up properly. When satisfied with the placement of the triangle, trim the excess under flap and background fabric to 1/4 inch from the seam.

If desired, press the diagonal seam OPEN!



Place the remaining Star Point on the 4-1/2 inch background square exactly as shown at the right. Make sure that the lower (straight) corner of the triangle matches the same corner of the background square.

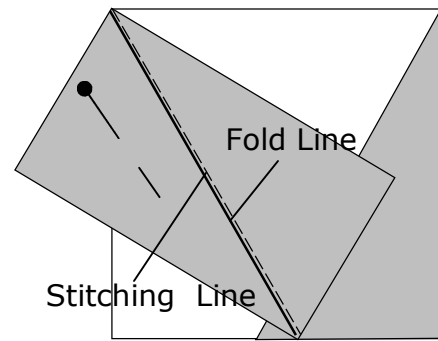


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Carefully open the Star Point and place a pin or two on the "under flap" of fabric.

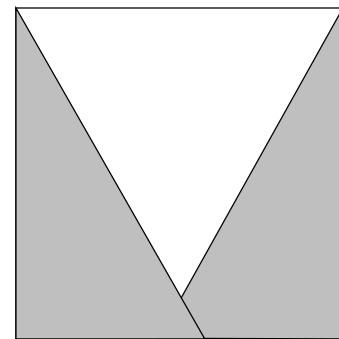
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Fold the Star Point back into position and make sure it is lined up properly. When satisfied with the placement of the triangle, trim the excess under flap and background fabric to 1/4 inch from the seam.

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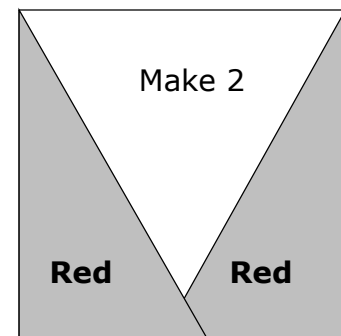
The Red Star fabric Star Point Unit is now completed! When finished, the Star Point Unit should measure **4-1/2 inches square**, which includes seam allowances.

Make a total of 2 Red Star fabric Star Point Units for each block.

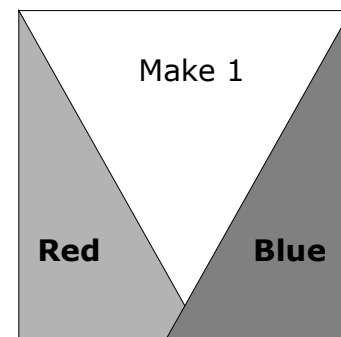
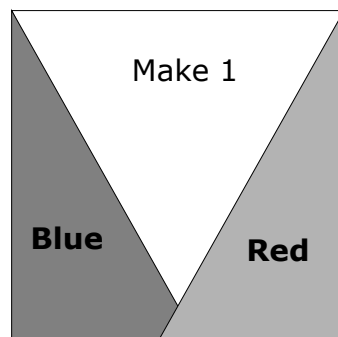
Then make -

1 - Star Point with Blue fabric on the left and Red fabric on the right. See below left.

1 - Star Point with Red fabric on the left and Blue fabric on the right. See below right.



Red Star fabric on both Star Points

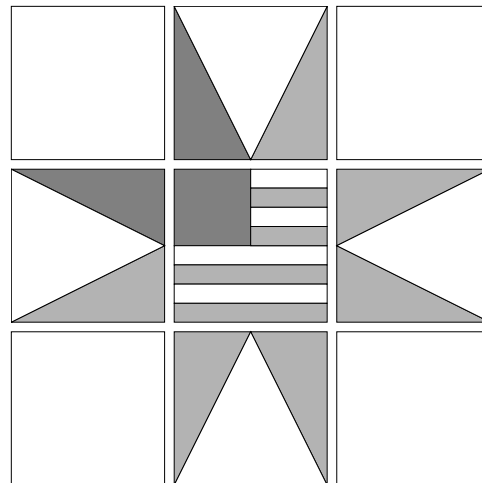
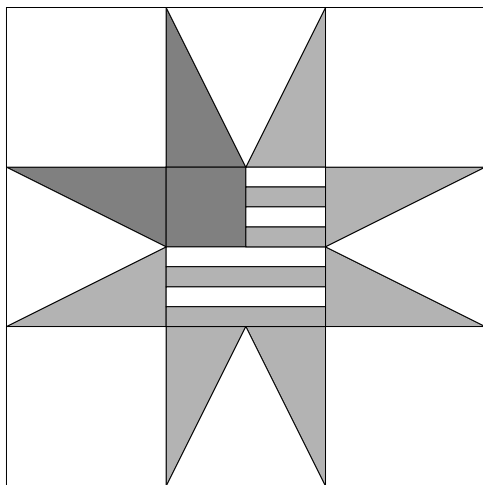


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Putting the Patriotic Star Block Together

Place the Star Center, the 4-1/2 inch square Background Corner pieces and the Star Points EXACTLY as shown in the illustration at the right to form the Patriotic Star Block.

Stitch the block together and press as desired.



The completed **Patriotic Star Block** should measure 12-1/2 inches square, including seam allowances.

Make a total of 5 Star Blocks for the table runner.

Constructing the Table Runner

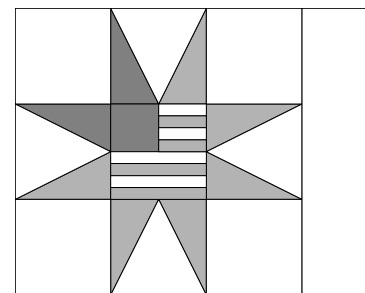
From the 3-1/2 inch strips of Background fabric cut

5 - 3-1/2 x 12-1/2 inch rectangles.

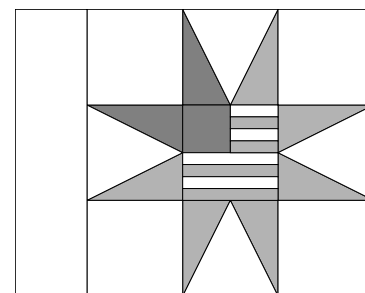
Make 3 Units with the Background piece stitched to the right edge of the Star block.

Make 2 Units with the Background piece stitched to the left edge of the Star block.

See the illustrations at the right.

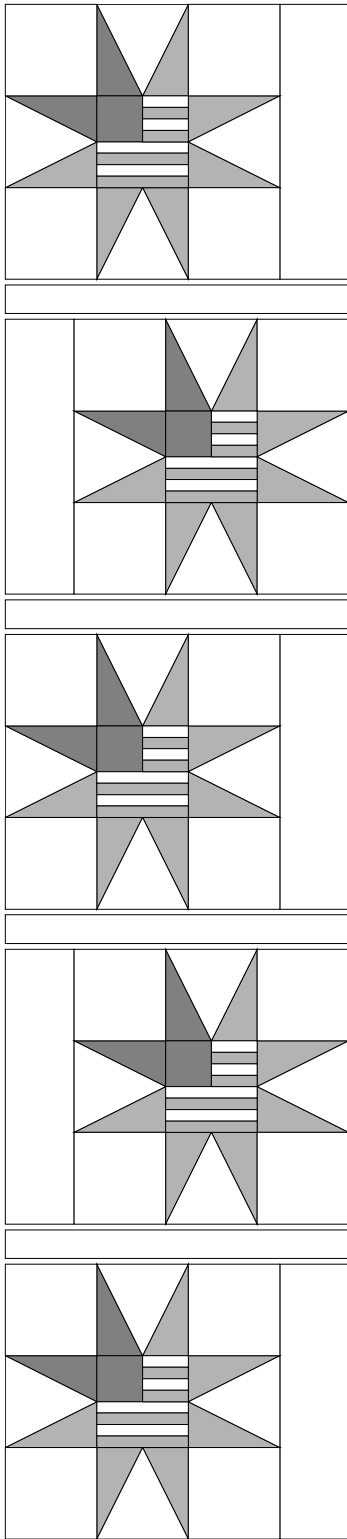


Make 3



Make 2

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Sashing

From the 2 inch strips of Background fabric cut -
4 - 2 x 15-1/2 inch rectangles.

Place the Star/Background fabric Units as shown at the left and stitch the 2 inch strips between the Star/Background units.

Press as desired.

See illustration at the left.

Border

Use the remaining 3-1/2 inch Background fabric strips for the border. Apply the border in your usual method.

Your **Patriotic Star Table Runner** is now ready for quilting!

The completed Table Runner is shown at the right.

