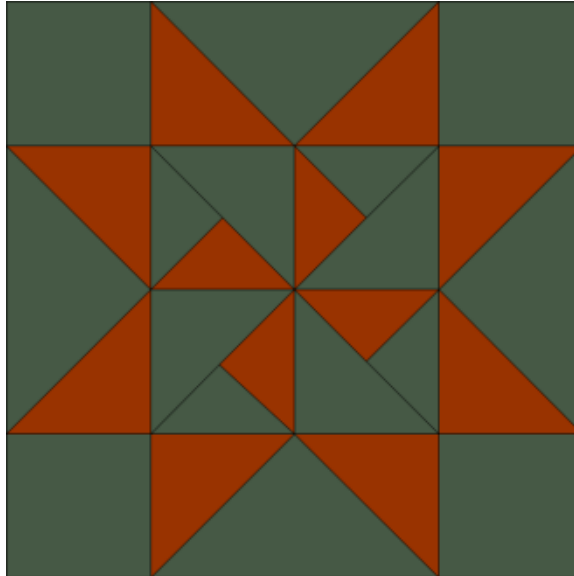


Block of the Month – March 2009

Martha Washington Star

12" x 12"



Rotary Cutting Instructions:

Back Ground Fabric (A):

- Large quarter-square triangles: one $7\frac{1}{4}$ " square, cut on both diagonals to give four quarter-square triangles
- Small quarter-square triangles: one $4\frac{1}{4}$ " square, cut on both diagonals to give four quarter-square triangles
- Large half-square triangles: Two $3\frac{7}{8}$ " squares, cut on one diagonal to give four half-square triangles
- Corner squares: four $3\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

Star & Pinwheel Fabric (B):

- Small quarter-square triangles: One $4\frac{1}{4}$ " square, cut on both diagonals to give four quarter-square triangles
- Large half-square triangles: Four $3\frac{7}{8}$ " squares, cut on one diagonal to give eight half-square triangles

Sewing Instructions:

1. Pin Wheel Centre Square: Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam carefully piece a fabric A small quarter-square triangle to a fabric B small quarter-square triangle. Press seams carefully to the dark side.

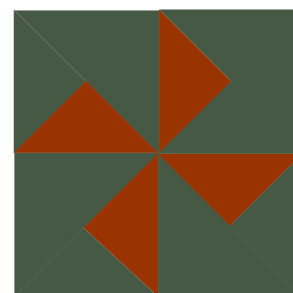


2. Piece a large fabric A half-square triangle onto the unit created in step one. Press the seam towards the larger triangle. This unit should measure $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



3. Repeat with remaining triangles to create four units.

4. Join the 4 units together, making sure the two centre seams are aligned, to complete the Centre, as illustrated. This unit should measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



5. Star Points: Stitch two small half-square triangles to a large quarter-square triangle to make a rectangular unit. Press seams under the small triangle. This unit should measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ " X $3\frac{1}{2}$ ".



6. Arrange the pieces of the block in order, as shown in the diagram below.

7. Join the pieces into three rows. In the top and bottom rows press the seams towards the corner squares. In the centre row press the seams into the centre.

8. Stitch the three rows together, making sure the seams are aligned, to make the block.

9. Press the seams toward the outer edge of the block. The block should measure $12\frac{1}{2}$ " square.

