

Cupboard to Creativity February 2024

Flipping Stars

Hi Everyone,

For the February Challenge I have chosen a quick favourite block that can be made in a size to suit you — I have given the guidelines here for both the 6" (cut $6\frac{1}{2}$ ") and 10" (cut $10\frac{1}{2}$ ") blocks

For this block you can gather all your scrap strip pieces. The widths can be various, and they don't have to be even strips if you like the random nature of uneven piecing.

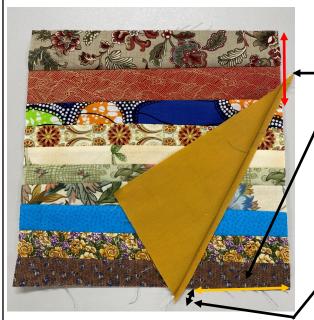
Sew strips together then trim to the chosen size square.

For the starts you will need 2 rectangles of each colour to make the 4 points of a star. You can have the same colour throughout the quilt, or have different coloured stars.



For 6" finished block cut rectangles of 6" \times $3\frac{1}{2}$ ", place all right side up, then cut on 1 diagonal as shown

For the 10" finished block use a rectangle of 9" \times 5".



To sew the triangles on to the block, mark the right

side of 6" block $1\frac{3}{4}$ " from top, and along the bottom $2\frac{1}{4}$ " from the right side.

For the 10" finished block measure down 3", and across bottom 4"

Place the triangle right side to the block with the diagonal edge through the marked points, and $\frac{1}{2}$ " extending at the bottom edge, sew with $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance then flip and press into position, trim excess to reform the block, then trim away excess strip section under the star colour.

The block are placed in alternate direction to form the star.



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These illustrations give you an idea of a quilt with one colour for all the stars, the other with all different stars.

The size of your quilt will depend on your needs and the size of block you wish to use.

The blocks and quilt ideas we are working with this year I am wanting to keep fairly simple so they are great for gifting quilts, group projects etc.

Have fun playing with this quick design to use up some of the odd strips you have collected over time.

Jan P.