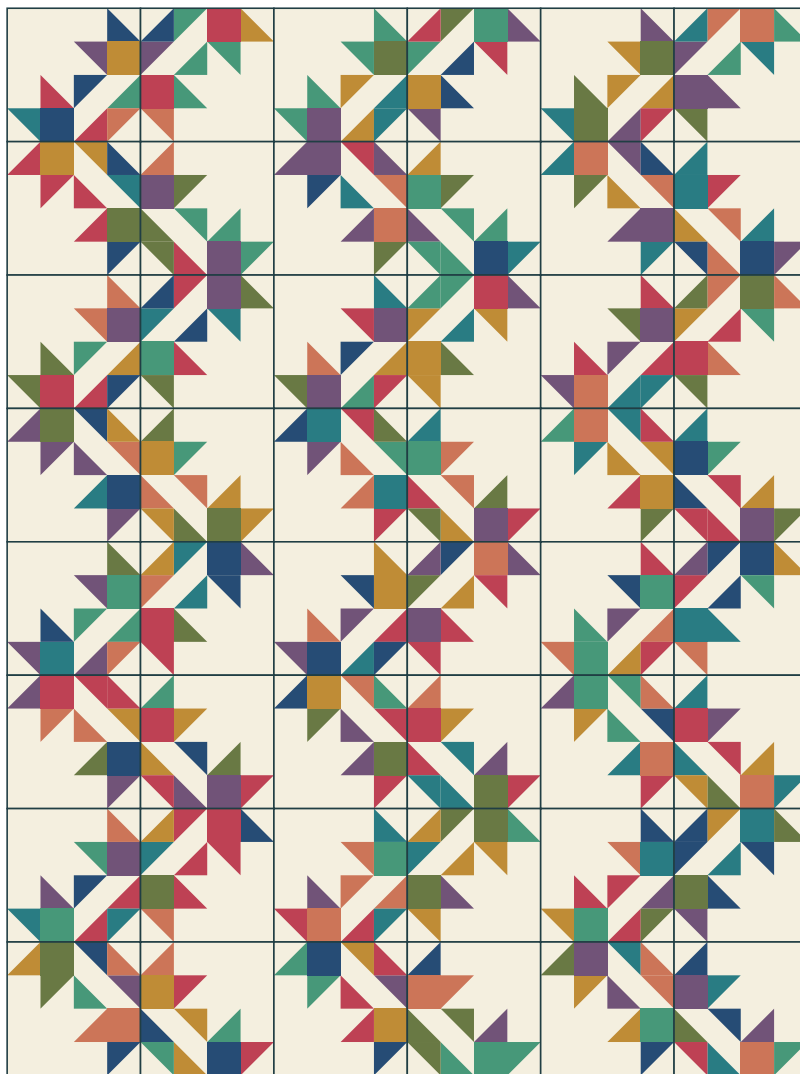


Falling Stars Quilt

Complete piecing guide • 48 blocks • 6 columns × 8 rows



Finished size: 48 × 64 in (121.92 × 162.56 cm).

Block size: 8 in finished; 8 1/2 in before assembly.

Construction: squares and half-square triangles; no borders or sashing.

This guide reconstructs the block geometry and layout visible in your two images. The supplied assembly reference specifies a 48 1/2 × 64 1/2 in unfinished top. Cutting instructions are newly calculated for that size; colors are illustrative, not an exact fabric-by-fabric copy. Not a sew-tested or verified original pattern. Make one test block before cutting the full quilt.

Materials & cutting

All cutting sizes include a 1/4 in seam allowance. Use inches for cutting.

Fabric / supply	Suggested amount
Light background: cream and pale low-volume prints	3 yd total, usable width 40 in
Contrasting medium / dark scraps	2 yd total equivalent; allow more for irregular scraps
Backing / batting	Backing: 3 1/2 yd at 40 in usable width. Batting: at least 56 × 72 in.
Binding	5/8 yd; cut seven 2 1/2 × 40 in strips.
Tools	Rotary cutter, ruler with 45° line, mat, thread, pins, iron.

Cutting list for all 48 blocks

Piece	Per block	Total	Cut size
A: large light square	1	48	4 1/2 × 4 1/2 in
L: small light square	2	96	2 1/2 × 2 1/2 in
C: small colored square	2	96	2 1/2 × 2 1/2 in
Light HST starter square	4	192	3 × 3 in
Colored HST starter square	4	192	3 × 3 in

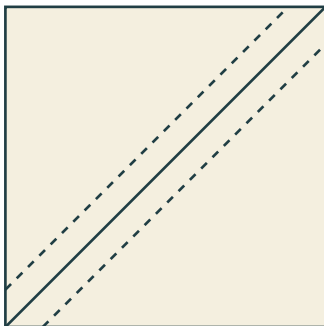
Pair each 3 in light square with one 3 in colored square. Each pair makes two HSTs: 192 pairs = 384 HSTs. Trim every HST to 2 1/2 in square. Each block uses eight HSTs.

Yardage assumes efficient cutting. At 40 in usable width, the background needs six 4 1/2 in strips, six 2 1/2 in strips and fifteen 3 in strips. Colored fabric needs six 2 1/2 in strips and fifteen 3 in strips. Quantities include a practical purchase allowance.

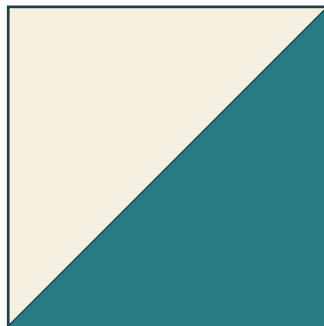
Make the triangle units

HST = half-square triangle. Make 384; each finishes at 2 in square.

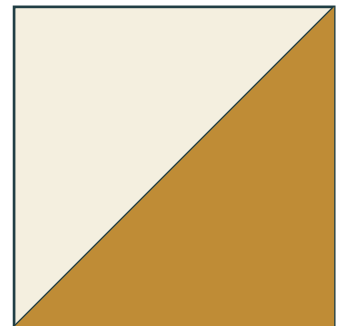
- 1. Pair.** Place one light and one colored 3 in square right sides together. Draw one diagonal line on the wrong side of the light square.
- 2. Sew.** Stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ in from each side of the marked line. Keep the squares aligned and avoid stretching the bias.
- 3. Cut and press.** Cut on the marked line. Open both units and press the seam toward the darker fabric, or open if preferred.
- 4. Trim.** Align the ruler's 45° line with the seam. Trim each unit to exactly $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ in, with the diagonal seam running corner to corner.



Sew beside the line



Open and press



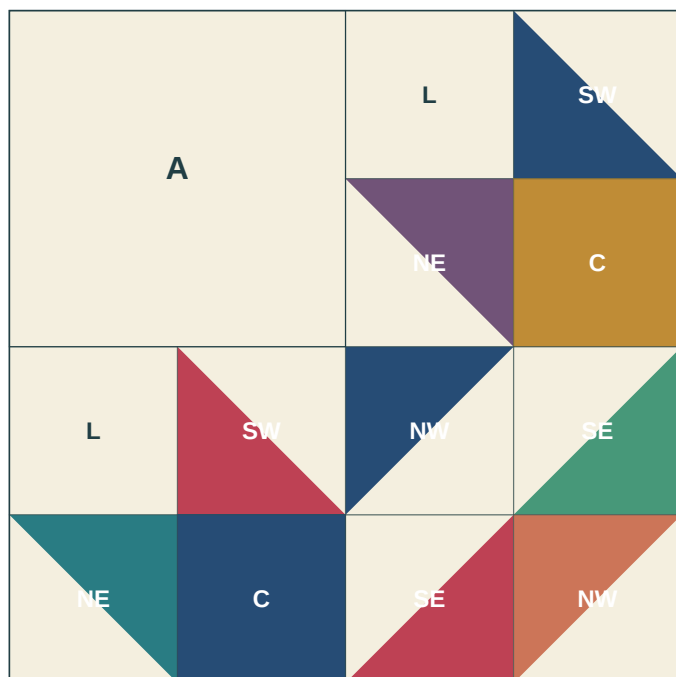
Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ in

Scrappy variation: mix completed HSTs from different pairs so a block can contain more than four colors. Keep the light and colored halves in the diagrammed positions. Pale color is fine for the background, but maintain enough value contrast for the stars to show.

Accuracy checkpoint: all small squares and trimmed HSTs must measure $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. Two units joined together measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ in across, including the outside seam allowances. Do not trim away the outside $\frac{1}{4}$ in allowance at star points.

Build one 8 in block

Make 48 identical blocks in this orientation; rotate them only during layout.



Block map

A: one $4\frac{1}{2}$ in light square.

L: $2\frac{1}{2}$ in light square.

C: $2\frac{1}{2}$ in colored square.

HST labels identify the corner occupied by the **colored** triangle:

NW = upper left

NE = upper right

SW = lower left

SE = lower right

Assemble three $4\frac{1}{2}$ in four-patch units:

Upper-right unit	Lower-left unit	Lower-right unit
Top: L SW Bottom: NE C	Top: L SW Bottom: NE C	Top: NW SE Bottom: SE NW

Sew the two units in each small row together with a $\frac{1}{4}$ in seam. Press the top row seam in one direction and the bottom row seam in the opposite direction. Nest the center seam, join the two rows and press. Each four-patch must measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ in square.

Place A at upper left; add the other three units as shown. Join A to the upper-right unit. Join the two lower units. Press the two long row seams in opposite directions, then join the rows, matching the center seam.

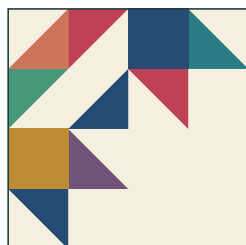
Checkpoint: the completed block measures $8\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ in. Calculation: $4\frac{1}{2} + 4\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} = 8\frac{1}{2}$ in. Test one block and correct the seam allowance before repeating.

Rotate & arrange

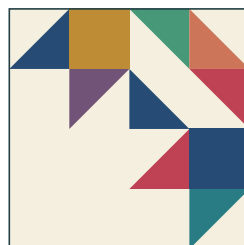
Rotations below are clockwise from the base block on page 4.



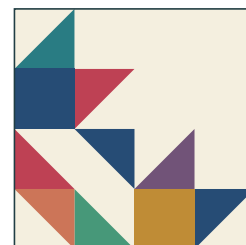
A · 0°



B · 180°

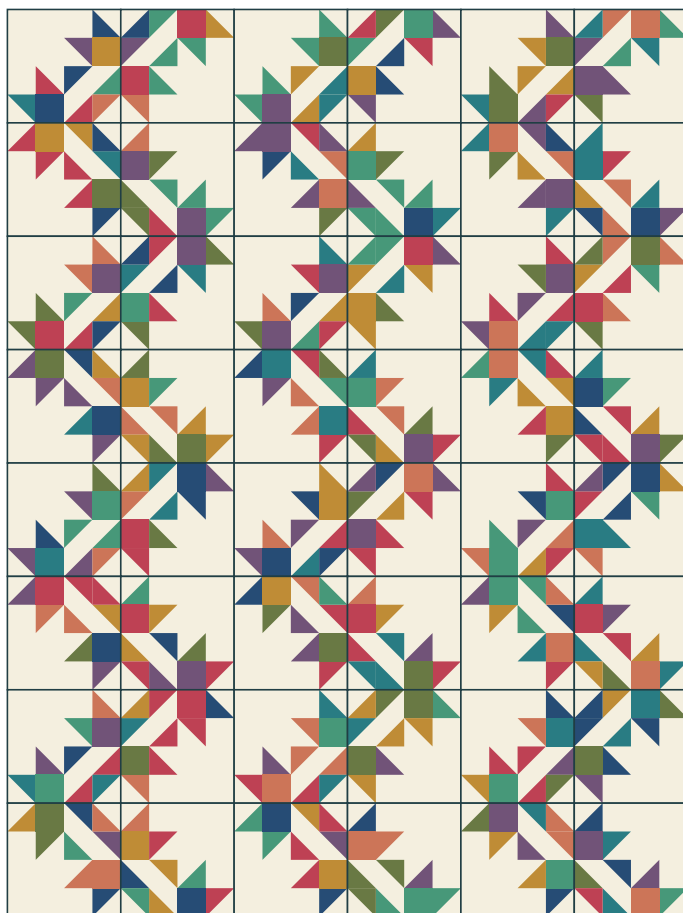


C · 270°



D · 90°

Large light square position: A upper left; B lower right; C lower left; D upper right. Use 12 blocks in each orientation.



Row	Block order
1	A B A B A B
2	C D C D C D
3	A B A B A B
4	C D C D C D
5	A B A B A B
6	C D C D C D
7	A B A B A B
8	C D C D C D

Each row: 48 1/2 × 8 1/2 in before joining.

Completed top: 48 1/2 × 64 1/2 in before binding.

The grid marks block seams, not added sashing. Keep the block rotations fixed while varying the fabrics.

Join, quilt & bind

Check the entire layout before sewing: a rotated block interrupts the stars.

1. Join six blocks per row. Label rows 1-8 from top to bottom. Sew blocks with 1/4 in seams, matching the internal seams. Press odd-numbered row seams to the right and even-numbered row seams to the left.

2. Join all eight rows. Pin at each block seam and at triangle intersections. Nest opposing seams and sew without stretching. Press the joined row seams open if intersections become bulky.

3. Check the quilt top. Width: $6 \times 8 = 48$ in finished. Height: $8 \times 8 = 64$ in finished. With the outside seam allowances, the top measures $48 \frac{1}{2} \times 64 \frac{1}{2}$ in. No borders are added.

4. Prepare the backing. From 3 1/2 yd of fabric with 40 in usable width, cut two 60 in lengths. Remove selvages. Join the pieces along their 60 in sides using a 1/2 in seam; press open. The panel is about 60×79 in. Trim to 56×72 in, checking actual fabric width first.

5. Baste and quilt. Layer backing wrong side up, batting, then the top right side up. Center the top, smooth and baste. Quilt from the center outward; a flowing all-over design suits the reference. Follow the batting manufacturer's maximum spacing.

6. Bind. Join seven 2 1/2 in binding strips with diagonal seams. Press joins open, then fold the binding lengthwise, wrong sides together. Attach with a 1/4 in seam, miter the corners, join the tails and finish on the reverse. Trim the sandwich without cutting into the top's outer seam allowance.

Before cutting the full set

Make one complete block, check its 8 1/2 in unfinished size, and compare its colored triangle positions with page 4. This validates your cutting and seam allowance; the reconstructed pattern has not been physically sew-tested.

Reference basis: the two images supplied with this request (quilt photograph and assembly diagram). The original cutting / block-instruction pages were not supplied. These are independently calculated instructions for the visible arrangement, not a transcription of an authenticated original pattern.