

INSTRUCTIONS

The Feathered Star is Block 13 in the **Round the Year Quilt**. This traditional star block is drafted in a 15" paper pieced circle and set in an 18.5" (unfinished) square.

Printing Instructions

Print the Templates File with your printer settings on 100% or actual size, in portrait mode. Cut out the templates.
Print the Instructions File.

Fabric Requirement

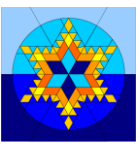
For the Dusk Colourway, I have used 3 shades of blue (other than the background) and 4 contrasting colours in the yellow-to-orange range.

Fabric	Fabric Code	Background*	Star	Feathers	Wedges*	Total pieces in block
Light blue	3	3 rectangles 10" x 6"				3
Light-medium blue	2		2.5" x 10"	2" x 20" (2 strips)	3.5" x 20"	30
Medium blue	4			2" x 20" (2 strips)	3.5" x 20"	27
Deep blue	1	3 rectangles 10" x 6"	2.5" x 10"			6
Yellow	8		1.75" x 14"			6
Gold	5			2" x 20" (4 strips)		42
Light orange	7		3" x 15"			6
Deep orange	6		3" x 15"			6

* Cutting Instructions

Background (Optional)

Use Templates AK, AI and AM to cut background in fabric# 3. Label and keep aside.
Now use same Templates to cut Fabric#1 background rectangles, labeling them AN, AO and AP respectively.



The other option is to join the longer sides of two rectangles measuring 9.75" x 19" in fabrics #1 and #3 to make a square 19".

Wedges

From the strip 3.5" x 20" of Fabric#2 cut and label as follows

3 pieces using Template AG **for** AG, AC, AE

3 pieces using Template AH **for** AH, AD, AF

From the strip 3.5" x 20" of Fabric#4 cut and label as follows

3 pieces using Template AI **for** AI, Y and AA

3 pieces using Template AJ **for** AJ, Z and AB

Piecing Instructions

Please refer to the blogpost for photographs accompanying the step by step instructions.

Piecing the inner Star

Piece in 4 lots and remove the paper after piecing:

A, I and Q

E, M and U

B, J and R

F, N and V

Piecing the feathers

Sort and strip piece the templates in 4 lots as follows.

C, G and W

D, H and X

K, O and S

L, P and T.

We are now ready to assemble the block.

Assembly Instructions

Keep the Master Template given at the end of this file at hand to be used as a guide to assembly. Remember, it is a mirror image of the final block.

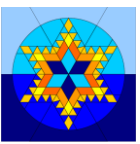


Step 1

Join A to B; I to J; Q to R;

Sew E to F; M to N and U to V.

Removing the paper makes this step easier. You will have 6 pieced diamonds (which make up the inner star) at the end of this step.



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Step 2

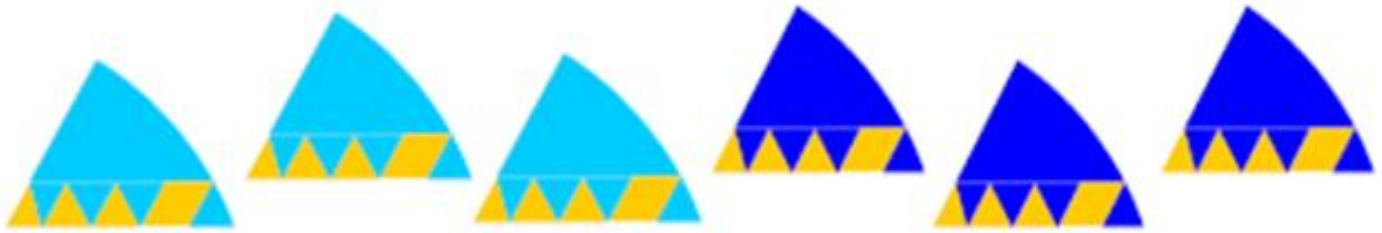
Sew W to AI ; C to Y; G to AA.

Sew D to Z ; H to AB; X to AJ



Sew K to AC; O to AE and S to AG

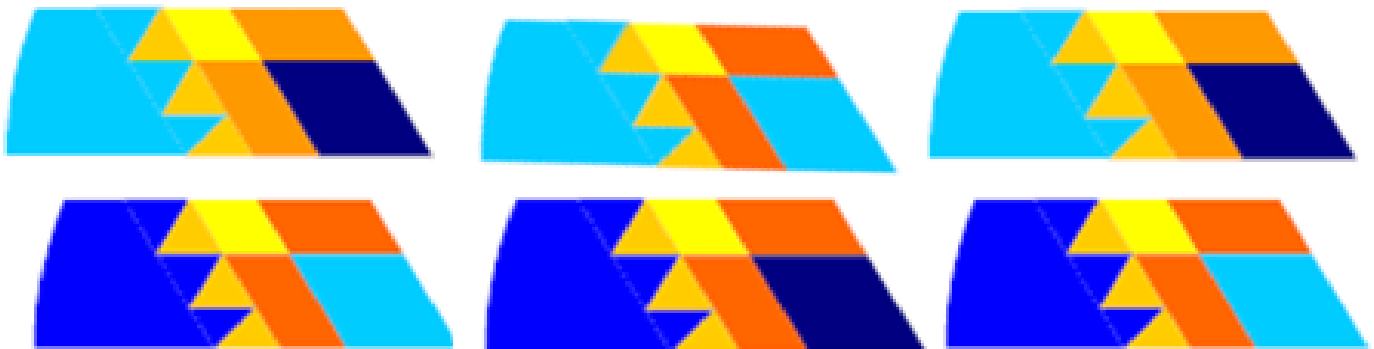
Sew L to AD; P to AF and T to AH.

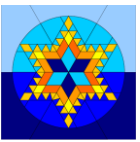


Step 3

Sew AB to CY; EF to G.AA ; UV to W.AI

Sew IJ to K.AC; MN to O.AE and QR to S.AG





Step 4

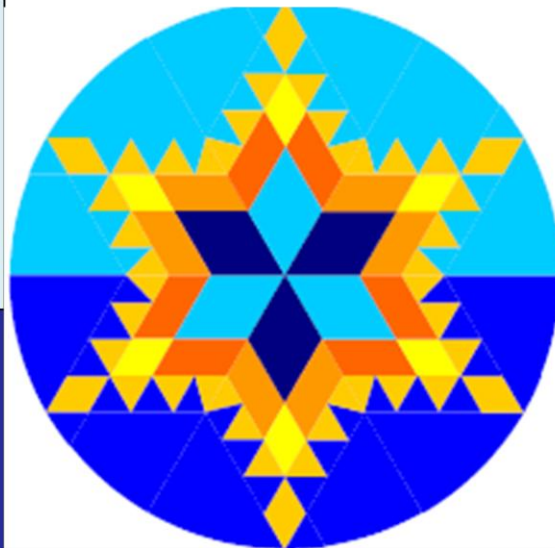
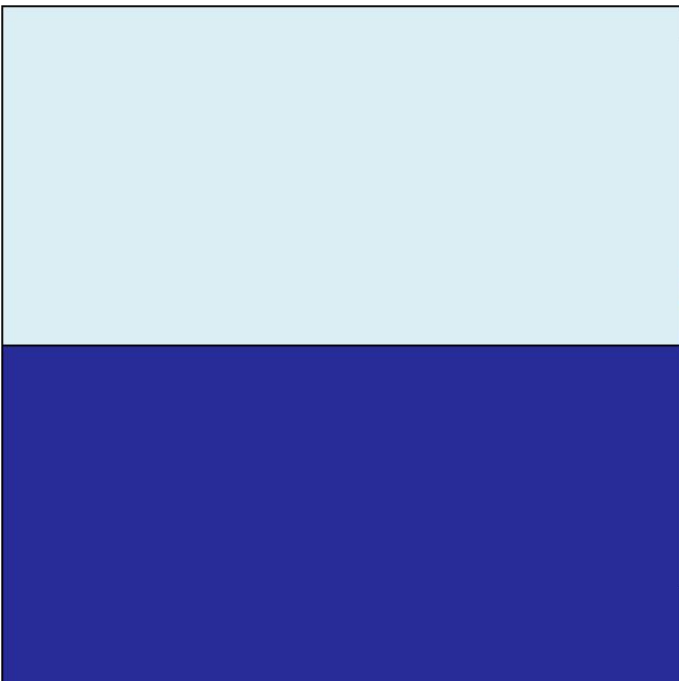
Join ABCY to DZ; EFG.AA to H.AB; UVW.AI to X.AJ
IJK.AC to L.AD; MNO.AE to P.AF; QRS.AG to T.AH

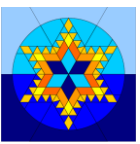


Our 6 wedges are ready.

Final Assembly

You could join the 6 wedges to complete your circle and appliqué it to the 19" square and trim to 18.5" after the appliqué.





OR

Join to background pieces as follows, (referring to the star centre) before finally joining them:



Wedge with U to AK; wedge with A to AL; wedge with E to AM;



And similarly, wedge with I to AN; wedge with M to AO; wedge with Q to AP!

Join these together with straight seams, and your square is ready!!

Here is the all important Master Template!

