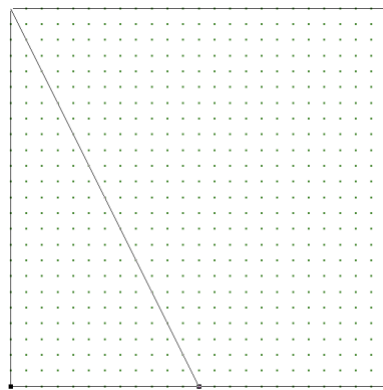


Mystery Quilt 2024 Part 3

(Make 1 test block first to be sure it comes out right)

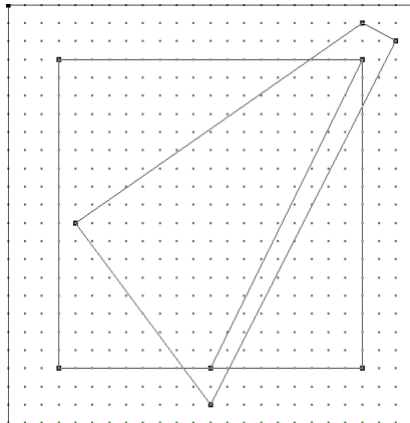
1. Take 72 three inch squares of Fabric K that are **not marked** with a diagonal line. Mark the back side with a line drawn from the **middle** of the bottom edge to the corner of the left top edge.



Turn the square over and place a triangle made from the 2.5" x 4" (fabric A) rectangle. The long edge of the triangle needs to cover the line on the back by about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. Most of the triangle will be covering the K square. (see below)

Pin in place. Turn square over and stitch on line.

NOTE: the square is right side up; the triangle is right side down.



Flip the square over and press triangle to cover the right lower area of the square. Press toward the corner. Must cover completely to the corner.

Trim the A triangle to fit the 3" square. That is, trim any of the triangle that sticks out past the background square. Then trim the excess Fabric K from behind the triangle.

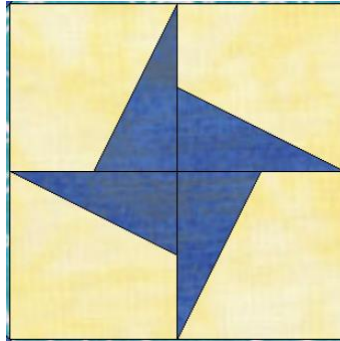
Finished block should look like this:

3 inches



NOTE: If you are having trouble placing the triangle or your piece does not completely cover the area it should, try moving the triangle closer to the pointy end, or draw your line closer to the left lower corner. If the test block came out right, proceed to making the rest. (72 blocks)

2. Take 4 of these blocks to make a simple star. All the fabric A corners should be in the center. Make 18 blocks like this.



3. Using the 72 triangles made from the 5” squares of Fabric B, place the long edge of the triangle B along the side of the block you just made. You are making a square in a square block.

For best results, fold the long side of the triangle to find the center and match it to the center of the side of the square. Sew along the edge.

The long edge of the B triangle is on the bias and can stretch, so keep the star block on top and the triangle on the bottom when you stitch.

Using a “generous” $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam, that is, just a bit more than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, sew the 2 opposite sides first, then the other 2 sides. Press toward the triangle. There will be overlapping on the sides and the triangles will appear to be too big. We will trim later. Trim the dog ears.

4. Press toward the outer triangle. Repeat for the rest of the 18 blocks.
5. Trim blocks to $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches. It helps to know that $3\frac{3}{4}$ inches is the half way mark. Your cutting line should be $\frac{1}{4}$ inch outside of the points of your block. Your block should now look like this:

$7\frac{1}{2}$ inches

