

SEEING STARS - BLOCK 3

Starry Path

This is a 10" (10-1/2") foundation paper pieced block. No math or fancy rulers are needed.

Note: Choose the same background fabric for your entire quilt. You will need approximately 6 yards of background fabric.

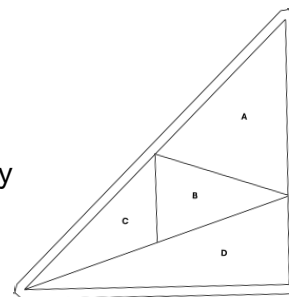
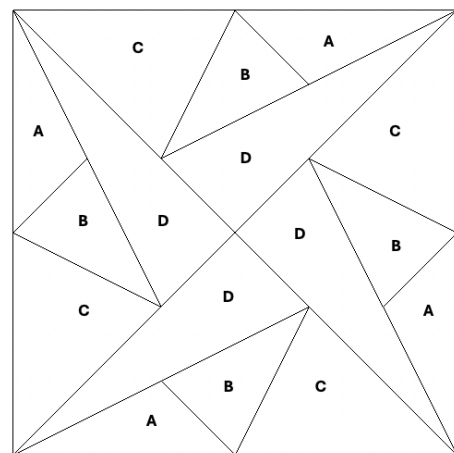
Fabrics / Quantity

Fabric A (Background): [4] 6" Squares

Fabric B: [4] 4-1/2" Squares

Fabric C (Background): [4] 5" x 6"

Fabric D: [4] 3-1/2" x 9"



Block Assembly

Step 1: Make [4] copies of the foundation shape on page 3. Use either very light weight copy paper or printable wash away stabilizer.

Step 2: Arrange one of the foundation triangles so you are looking at the back side of the shape.

- Place** the **A** 6" square right side up over the **A** portion of the foundation shape. Make sure that the fabric overlaps the shape on all sides by at least 1/4 inch. Using a light source helps with seeing where the lines are.
- Arrange** the **B** 4-1/2" square - right side facing down - over the line between the **A** and **B** sections. When the **B** piece is folded back, (to check for fit) it should completely cover the **B** section of the paper by at least 1/4 inch on all sides of the shape. Pin in place - right sides together.
- Turn** the paper shape over (right side up) and stitch on the line between **A** and **B**.
- Un-pin** and fold the **B** shape back so the fabric faces right side up. Press.
- Fold** both the **B** fabric and the paper back - leaving only the edges of the fabric that extend beyond the stitching line. Trim the excess fabric - 1/4" away from the stitching line.

Step 3: Repeat the process in Step 2 to add the **C** 5" x 6" fabric.

Step 4: Repeat the process in Step 2 to add the **D** 3-1/2" x 9" fabric.

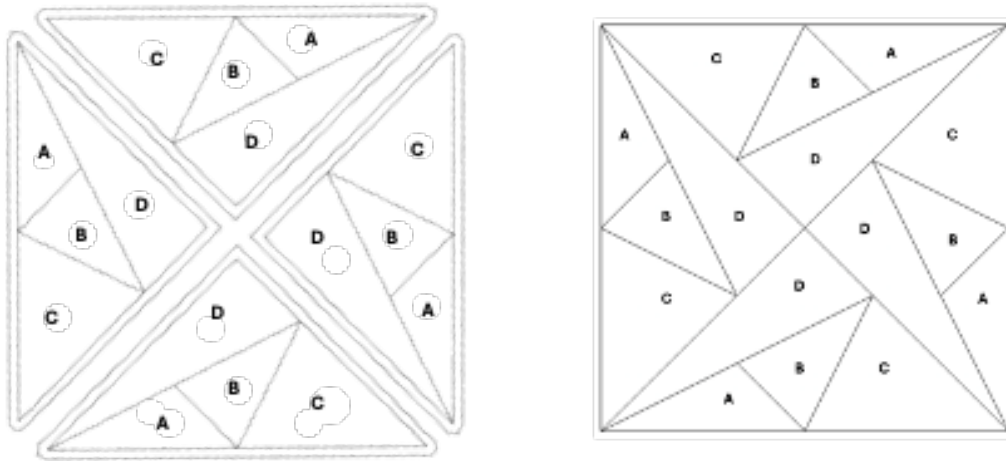
Step 5: Make [4] units.

Step 6: Trim the excess fabric on the outer seam allowance line.

Step 7: Remove the paper foundation. If you have used a printed wash away foundation instead of paper - you can leave it in place.

Step 8: Arrange and sew the [4] triangle units into a square - pressing the seams open to reduce bulk.

Your completed block should measure 10-1/2 inches.



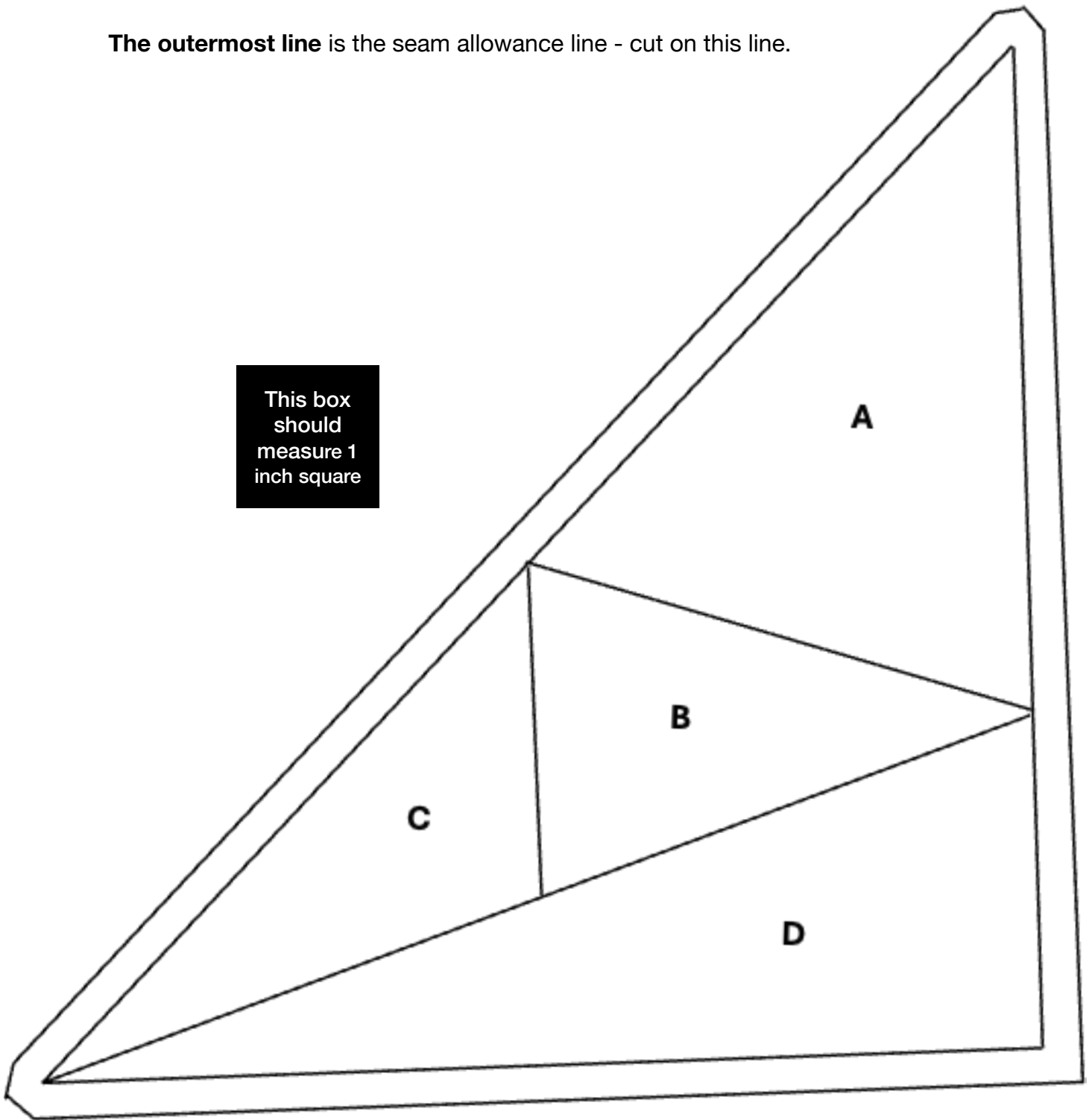
Foundation Paper Piecing Tips

1. **If it's been a while** since you've paper pieced - it's a great idea to look up the technique on YouTube and get a refresher.
2. **Paper:** Use a very light weight paper to copy the foundation shape. An alternative to the paper is to use a wash away stabilizer that you can run through your inkjet printer.
3. **Stitch Length:** A normal stitching length is 2.5. For Foundation Paper Piecing - shorten that up to 1.5 - 2.0 - it will help when it comes time to remove the paper foundations.
4. **Light Source:** Hold your pieces up to a light, window, or use a light pad to make sure your pieces are lined up correctly.
5. **Don't extend your stitching lines** into the seam allowance - or you will need to remove a stitch or two, so you will be able to fold the paper back when trimming the fabric.
6. **Trim the excess fabric** 1/4" away from the stitching line - after each piece is added, don't wait until the unit is finished.
7. **Pressing:** Press the seams after you add each piece.
8. **The outer edges of the paper foundation** will have fabric running over the edges all the way around as you build the pieced shape. Don't trim this excess fabric away until you have completed adding all the pieces for the shape.

Print and cut [4]. Use either a very light weight copy paper or a printable wash away stabilizer to print the foundation shape.

The outermost line is the seam allowance line - cut on this line.

This box
should
measure 1
inch square



Final Thoughts:

Quiltblox Patterns are intended for your personal use (not commercial/mass production), and I hope you enjoy using them.

Please do not copy them to share with others or forward the PDF to others for their use. Doing so is a copyright violation - but more importantly, it hurts this small business.

I appreciate your understanding about this important point. If you would like for others to see (and use) this or other Quiltblox patterns - you can direct them to the website - QUILTBLOX.com.

If you enjoyed this Quiltblox pattern - I do have lots of others that are just as much fun and I would love for you to check them out on [my website](#).

Have you made this project (or something from one of my other patterns? I would love to see it! Just send me a picture of your project and I may feature it on my website or in a newsletter (with your permission of course).

Thanks so much for your support of this small business!

Deb Messina



QB160 - Seeing Stars BOM - PDF

Let's Connect



Subscribe

