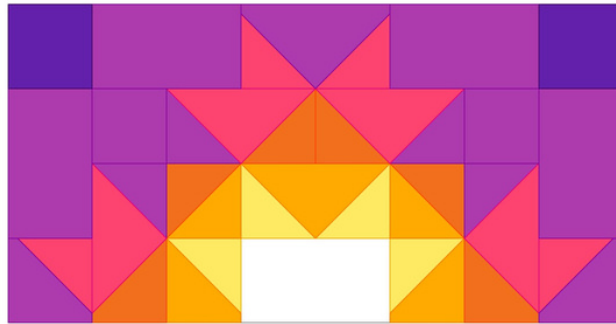


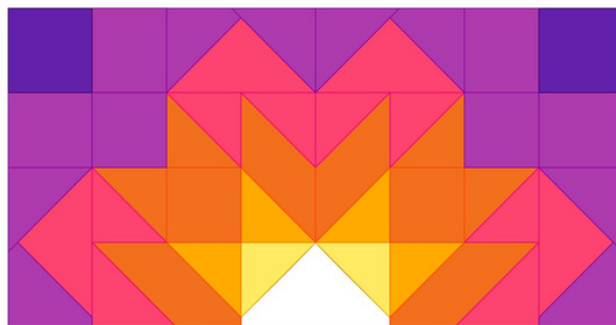
Stars of the City

February Blocks

For the month of February, there are two new star themed blocks to make; Queen of the Sky and Tangled Ribbon.



The first block, Queen of the Sky, reuses several units and methods introduced earlier in the Stars of the City pattern, but also introduces a new technique; four at a time flying geese units.



The Tangled Ribbon block also makes use of the four at a time method for piecing flying geese, and introduces yet another new unit; stitch and flip chevrons.

To make either throw sized quilt, make one of each block.

To make an XL twin sized quilt, make one of each block, then select your favourite block and make a second one (three blocks total).

To make a queen sized quilt, make two of each block (four blocks total).

Queen of the Sky

Cutting Instructions

To make one block, cut the following:

Fabric B: 2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric C: 3 squares at 3"

5 rectangles at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric D: 1 square at $5\frac{1}{2}$ "

1 square at 3"

2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric E: 3 squares at 3"

Fabric F: 1 rectangle at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

2 squares at 3"

Fabric G: 1 square at 3"

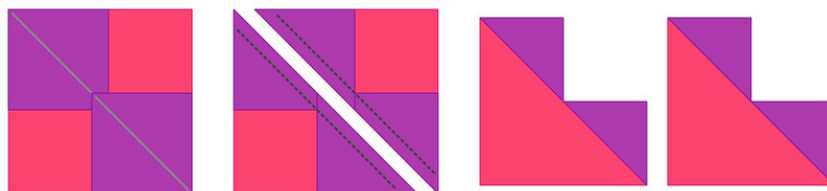
2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric H: 1 rectangle at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

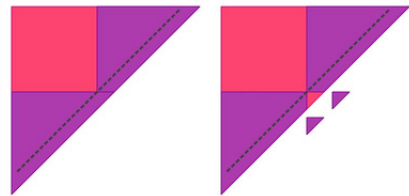
Piecing Instructions

Select the $5\frac{1}{2}$ " square of fabric D, two 3" squares of fabric C, and two 3" squares of fabric E. Draw a diagonal line on the back of both squares of fabrics C and E.

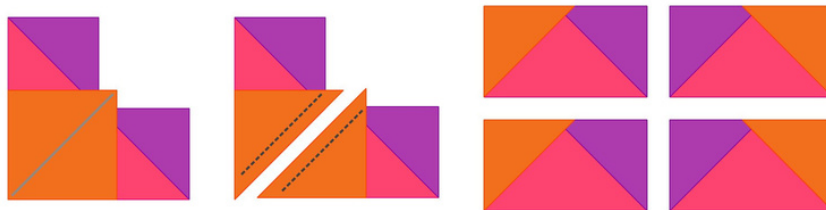
Place the two fabric C squares in opposite corners of the fabric D square with the drawn lines oriented as shown, then sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " to either side of the drawn line. Carefully cut along the drawn line to yield two incomplete L-shaped units.



Tip: to reduce bulk along the seams at the point of the flying geese unit, trim away the inner corners of the small triangles within the seam allowance.



Place one of the fabric E squares on the fabric D corner of the L-shaped unit with the drawn line oriented as shown, then sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " to either side of the drawn line. Carefully cut along the drawn line to yield two flying geese units.



Repeat with the second L-shaped unit and remaining fabric E square. Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the four flying geese units. Set aside.

Select one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle of fabric C and two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of fabric D. Draw a diagonal line on the backs of the fabric D squares.

Place a fabric D square on one end of the fabric C rectangle with the drawn line oriented as shown below. Sew directly along the drawn line then trim excess fabric, leaving $\frac{1}{4}$ " for seam allowance.



Repeat in the opposite corner with the other fabric D square.



Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the flying goose unit.
Set aside.

Repeat the steps above using one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle of fabric F and two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of fabric G.



Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the flying goose unit.
Set aside.

Select one 3" square of fabric C and one 3" square of fabric D.
Draw a diagonal line on the back of the lighter square.

Place the squares right sides together and sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " to either side of the drawn line. Carefully cut along the drawn line to yield two half square triangle units.



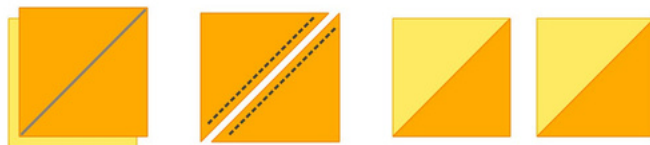
Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the half square triangles, set aside.

Repeat the steps above using one 3" square of fabric E and one 3" square of fabric F.



Trim to 2½" to complete the half square triangles, set aside.

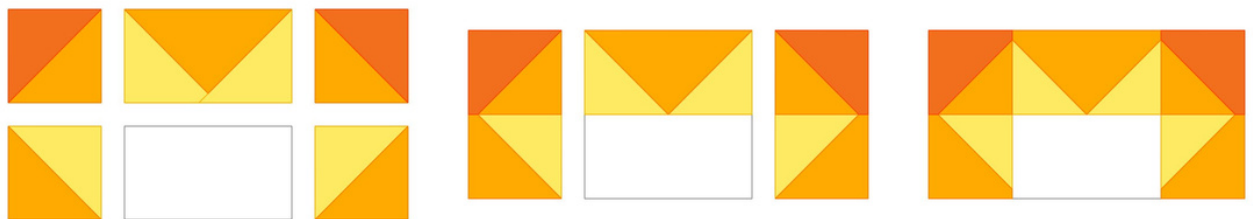
Repeat once again using one 3" square of fabric F and one 3" square of fabric G.



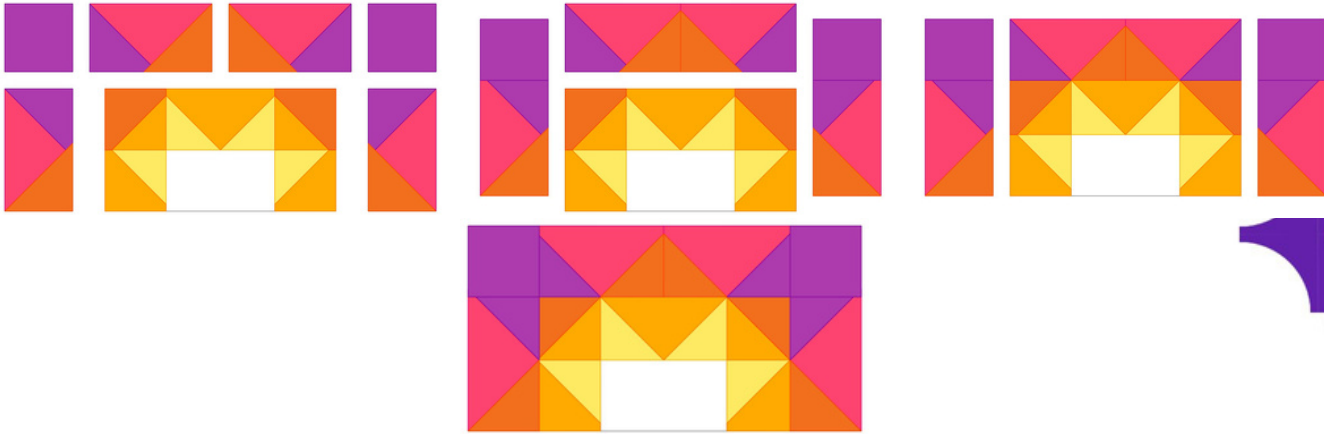
Trim to 2½" to complete the half square triangles, set aside.

Select two fabric E/F half square triangles, two F/G half square triangles, the F/G flying goose unit, and one 2½" x 4½" rectangle of fabric H.

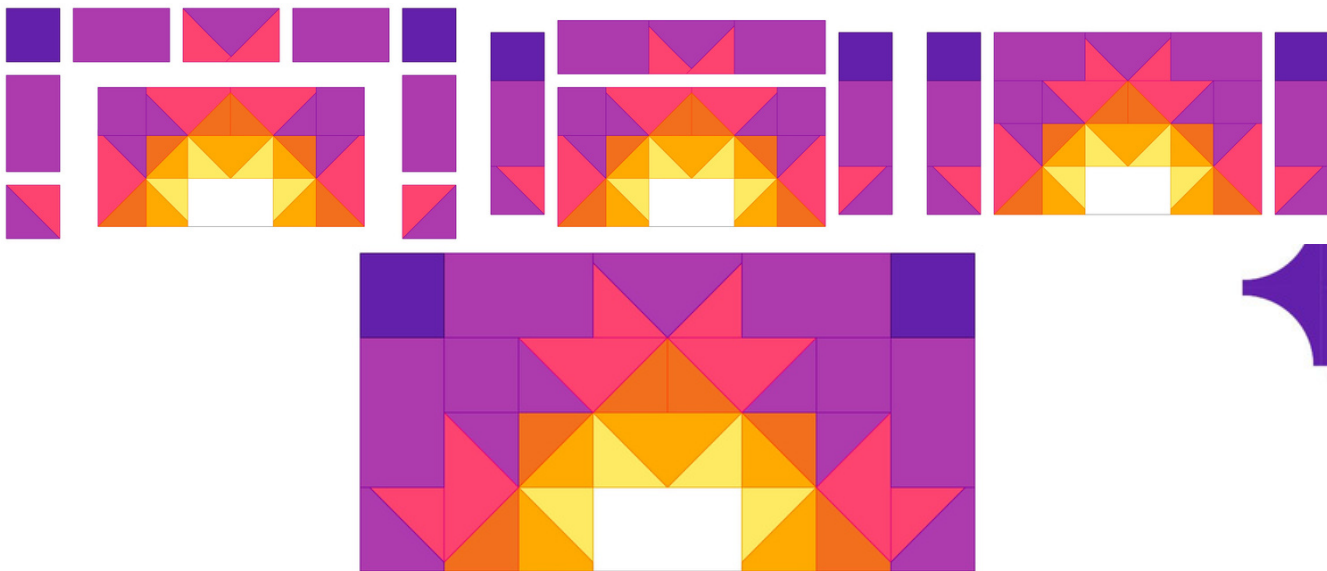
Assemble them into the block centre as shown:



Select the four fabric C/D/E flying geese units and two 2½" squares of fabric C. Add them to the block centre as shown:



Using the remaining units, fabric C rectangles, and fabric B squares, complete the block as shown:



Trim to 16½" x 8½" to complete the Queen of the Sky block.

Tangled Ribbon

Cutting Instructions

To make one block, cut the following:

Fabric B: 2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric C: 4 squares at 3"
6 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric D: 1 square at $5\frac{1}{2}$ "
2 squares at 3"
1 rectangle at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "
4 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric E: 2 squares at 3"
4 rectangles at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "
2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric F: 4 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

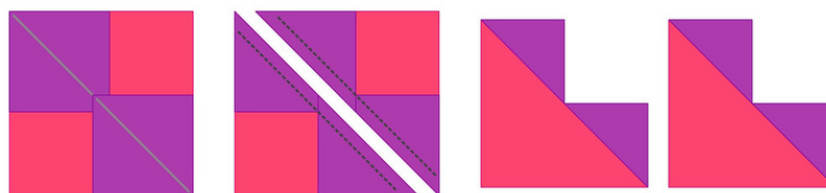
Fabric G: 2 squares at $2\frac{1}{2}$ "

Fabric H: 1 rectangle at $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ "

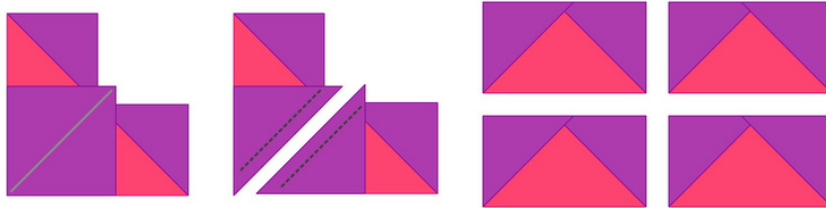
Piecing Instructions

Select the $5\frac{1}{2}$ " square of fabric D and four 3" squares of fabric C.
Draw a diagonal line on the back of the fabric C squares.

Place two of the fabric C squares in opposite corners of the fabric D square with the drawn lines oriented as shown, then sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " to either side of the drawn line. Carefully cut along the drawn line to yield two incomplete L-shaped units.



Place another fabric C square on the fabric D corner of the L-shaped unit with the drawn line oriented as shown, then sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " to either side of the drawn line. Carefully cut along the drawn line to yield two flying geese units.



Repeat with the second L-shaped unit and remaining fabric C square. Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the four flying geese units. Set aside.

Select one $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle of fabric H and two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of fabric G. Draw a diagonal line on the back of both fabric G squares.

Place one fabric G square on one end of the fabric H rectangle with the drawn line oriented as shown below. Sew directly along the drawn line then trim excess fabric, leaving $\frac{1}{4}$ " for seam allowance



Repeat in the opposite corner with the other fabric G square.



Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the flying geese unit. Set aside.

Select one 2½" x 4½" rectangle of fabric E, one 2½" square of fabric D, and one 2½" square of fabric F. Draw a diagonal line on the backs of the fabric D and F squares.

Place the fabric D square on one end of the fabric E rectangle with the drawn line oriented as shown below. Sew directly along the drawn line then trim excess fabric, leaving ¼" for seam allowance.



Repeat in the opposite corner with the fabric F square.



Trim to 2½" x 4½" to complete the chevron unit.
Make two, set aside.

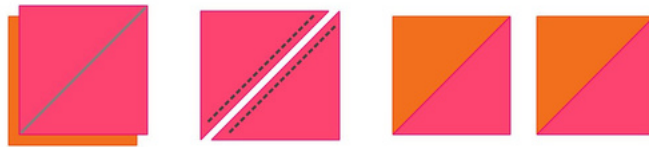
Repeat the steps above but with the drawn lines on the fabric D and F squares oriented in the opposite direction as shown:



Trim to 2½" x 4½" to complete the chevron unit.
Make two, set aside.

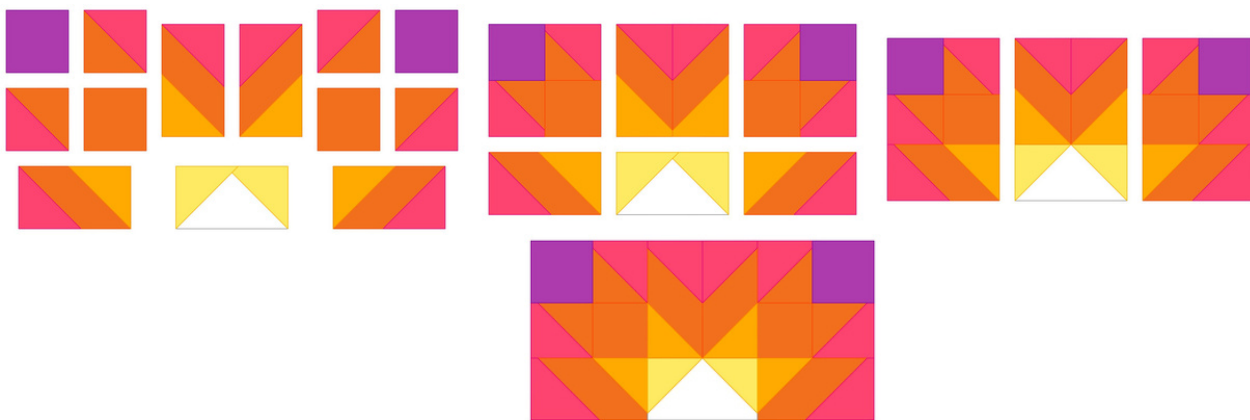
Select one 3" square of fabric D and one 3" square of fabric E.
Draw a diagonal line on the back of the lighter square.

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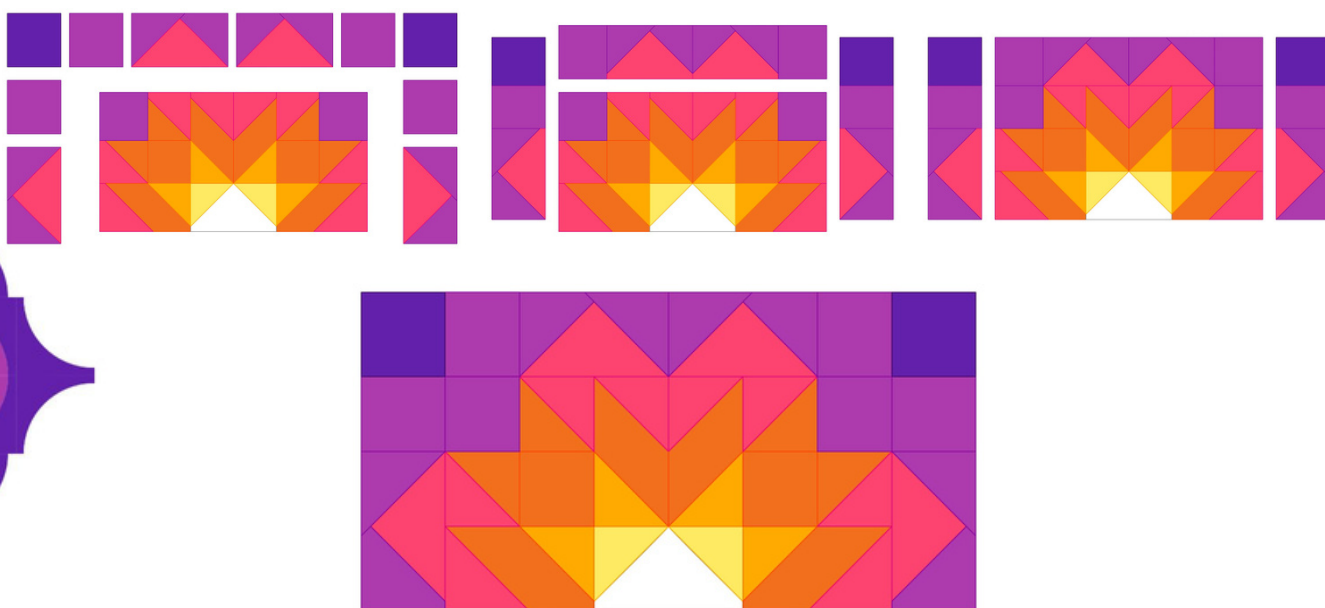


Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the half square triangles.
Make four.

Using the fabric H flying goose, four chevrons, four half square triangles, and two $2\frac{1}{2}$ " each of fabrics C and E, assemble the block centre as shown:



Using the remaining flying geese units and $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares of fabrics B and C, complete the block as shown:



Trim to $16\frac{1}{2}$ " x $8\frac{1}{2}$ " to complete the Tangled Ribbon block.