## Stars A Lot

## About 110"x129"

To make the quilt pictured:


This quilt is made up of 2 different $12.5^{\prime \prime}$ blocks (before sewing into the top) and looks like this:


## You need:

- $13 / 8$ yards of bright red for cornerstones and inner border
- $11 / 8$ yards of bright blue for sashings
- $11 / 8$ yards of bright green for sashings
- $33 / 4$ yards of a "low volume" or lights for stars
- $83 / 4$ yards of bold and bright colors for the dark parts of the blocks and the piano key border
- 3/4 yard of your color choice for the binding. I am going to make a scrappy binding.


## Cut:

Block 1 - Simple Sawtooth star (need 20 blocks - I made mine all different)


For each star:
From lights ("low volume") for points:

- $8-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares

From bold and brights for background:

- $4-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 3 \frac{1}{2 \prime}$ " squares for star points
- $4-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61_{2}^{\prime \prime}$ for background corners

From bold fabrics - for centers:

- 1-6.5"x6.5" square

Block 2 - Sawtooth Star with chain (need 30 blocks - I made mine all different)


For each star:
From bolds for points:

- $8-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 31 / 22^{\prime \prime}$ squares

From lights ("low volume") for background:

- $4-31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6^{1 / 2 "}$ for background
- 8-2"x2" squares
- 4-2"x3.5" rectangles

From red:

- 8-2"x2" squares

From blue:

- 8-2"x2" squares


## Sashing pieces:

All sashing pieces are cut 2"x12.5"

## From green

- Cut 58

From blue:

- Cut 58


## Cornerstones:

All cornerstones are cut $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$

- Cut 36 red squares
- Cut 35 blue squares

Side setting triangles from various bold colors:


- Cut 5 (different bold colors) $18.5^{\prime \prime}$ squares and cut them in half diagonally as shown in the above diagram. You will have 20 side setting triangles. You will only need 18 of them.


## Corner setting triangles from various bold colors



- Cut $29.5^{\prime \prime}$ squares and cut them across the diagonal once (as shown in the above diagram) for a total of 4 corner setting triangles.


## How to make these blocks:

## Block 1: Simple Sawtooth Star



1. To each bold $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2$ " rectangle, "snowball" both ends with a light $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square so that the piece now looks like this: You will need 4 of these units for each block.


Explanation of how o make this little segment:

- To do this: take a bold $31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 61 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle and place a light square $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ piece on it so it looks like this (right sides together): Sew across on the dotted line.

- Trim on smaller dotted line about $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ from the sew line to the outside.

- Press light towards the outside and one side is done!

- Repeat for other end: place light $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square over the low volume end and sew across the dotted line:

- Trim on the smaller dotted line, or about $1 / 4$ " to the outside of the previously stitched line.

- Press the light to the outside. It now looks like this:


2. Take your $6.5^{\prime \prime}$ bold center and add a star points unit to each side:

3. Make 2 strips consisting of a $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ bold square, a set of points as shown above and another $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ bold square like this:

4. Attach one to the top of the previously made section and one to the bottom like this:

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Make 20 of these varying the colors of the star points - keeping all in one block the same. I used a variety of light prints AND bold prints.

## Block 2:



1. Make a 4 patch using 2 red and $22^{\prime \prime}$ blue squares:

2. Add a 2 " $\times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ light strip to each side of this center piece:

3. Make segments with a blue and a red square on each end of 2 of the 2 " $\times 3.5^{\prime \prime}$ light strips

4. Add these recently made segments to the center you have just finished:

5. Make a segment like this just like you did for the basic Sawtooth star block except reverse the colors as pictured:


Use a 3.5 " $\times 6.5$ " light rectangle and "snowball" the points using the darks. Make 4 for each block.
6. Make 24 patches using $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ lights and $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ reds and 24 patches using $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2^{\prime \prime}$ lights and $2^{\prime \prime} \times 2$ " blues like these:

7. Add these 4 patches to the sides of the star points - make sure they are facing the right direction. ( usually print out the block and keep it near my computer to make sure I make them correctly!


Make 2 of these per block.
8. Now, add the star points to the side of the center like this:

9. Add the top and bottom rows

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Make 30 total blocks - I made them all different except keeping the red and blue squares for the chain consistent.

## How to make this quilt:

## 1. Using this diagram

Lay out your blocks in rows so that the colors please you.
Put the sashing in between the blocks in the colors as shown below. Put the side setting triangles in as needed.

I sew all the rows together, the sashing/cornerstone rows, and sewed them together until the top was together. Watch for placement of red and blue cornerstones.
I add the corner setting triangles last.


2. Add borders. Because after trimming the edges and before putting on the first border, it will measure 95.46 " $\times 114.55^{\prime \prime}$ - which is impossible to work with, I just went with $95 " \times 117^{\prime \prime}$ and pinned my 2 " cut strips to fit this bias edge. Sew on.

- First border - red:
- Cut 2 red 2 " $\times 95.5^{\prime \prime}$ (piece as needed to get that length)
- Cut 2 red 2"x114.5" (piece as needed)

Pin these strips to the center and sew carefully on.

## - Second border - piano key border:

Cut 302 strips 2 "x6.5" and sew them in a 4 long strips - 78 strips long for each side and 73 strips long for the top and bottom. Sew first the strips to the sides. Then sew the piano keys to the
top and bottom. You are done with the top after you press well. The segments will look something like this before sewing to the top:


## 3. Press well.

4. Sandwich, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
5. Quilt as desired. I did loops

6. Bind, using whatever method you wish.

Congratulations! Your quilt is finished!
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## I put a smaller layout as very few people will want to make a quilt the size I made mine! Look below for a layout for a queen size quilt.

This layout will finish at about 91"x91"


