

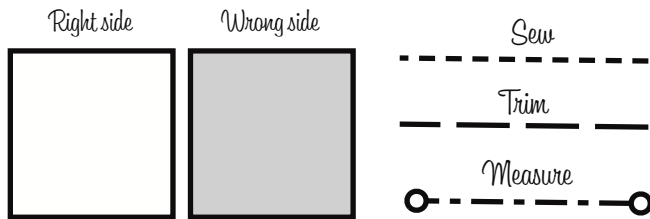
# February-

This month we will be adding a border to our LeMoyne Star block to make it 15 1/2". You will be cutting the border 1/2" wider so that you can square the block to the correct size. It is important this block be completely square because it is the foundation of our quilt.

## CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Raspberry: Cut 2 strips 1 1/2" x wof (Width of the fabric)

## SEWING INSTRUCTIONS



1. Measure the width of the block in three places and record. Top, middle and bottom. Total your measurements and divide by three to find the average.

14 1/2" Block

The diagram shows a square LeMoyne Star block with a side length of 14 1/2 inches. The block is divided into a 3x3 grid of smaller squares. Each of the four corners of the grid contains a right-angled triangle. Dashed lines indicate measurement points at the top, middle, and bottom of the block. Small circles are placed at the corners of the block to indicate where to measure.

Measure

Top: \_\_\_\_\_

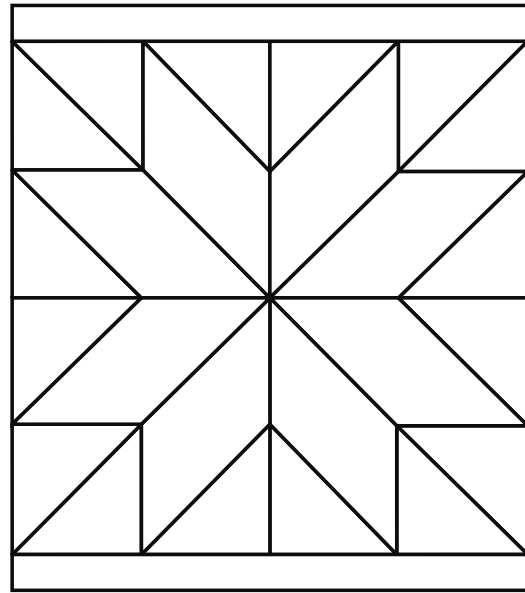
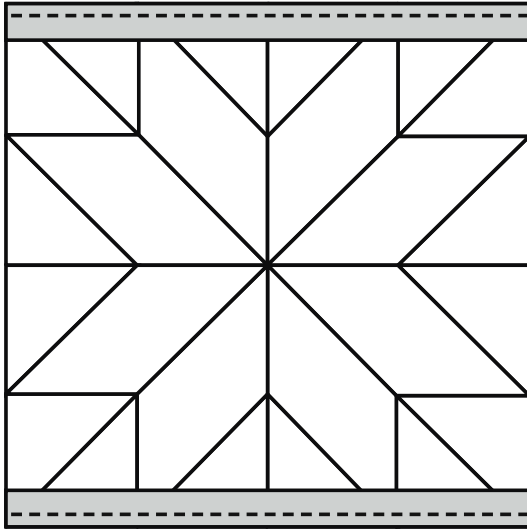
Middle: \_\_\_\_\_

Bottom: \_\_\_\_\_

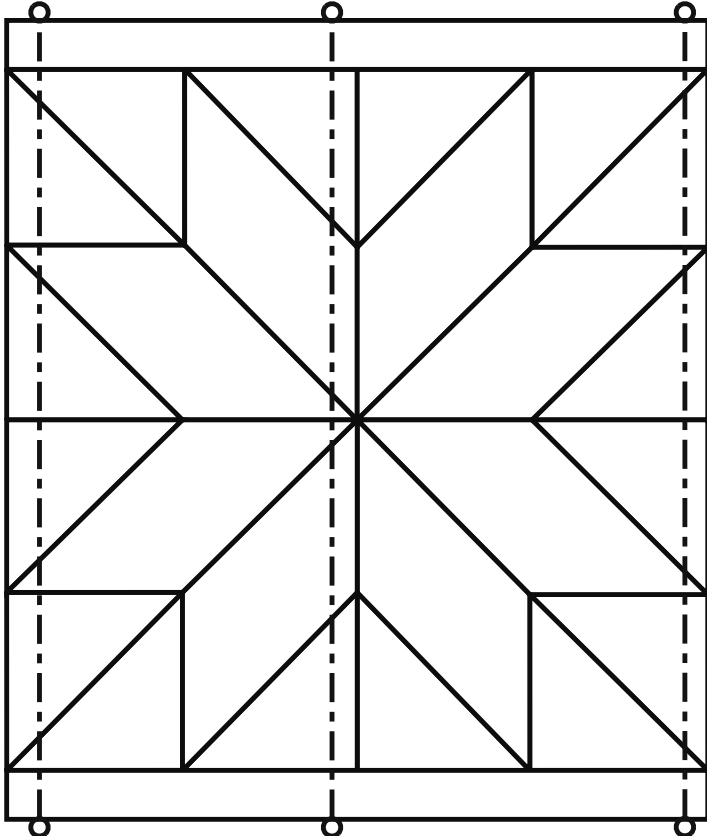
Total: \_\_\_\_\_

Average: \_\_\_\_\_

2. The average is the length of the **top and bottom borders**. Cut one of this length from each 1 1/2" strip. Pin and sew these two strips to opposite top and bottom of the LeMoyne block. Press.



3. Repeat step 1 to find the length of two side borders.



Measure

Left: \_\_\_\_\_

Center: \_\_\_\_\_

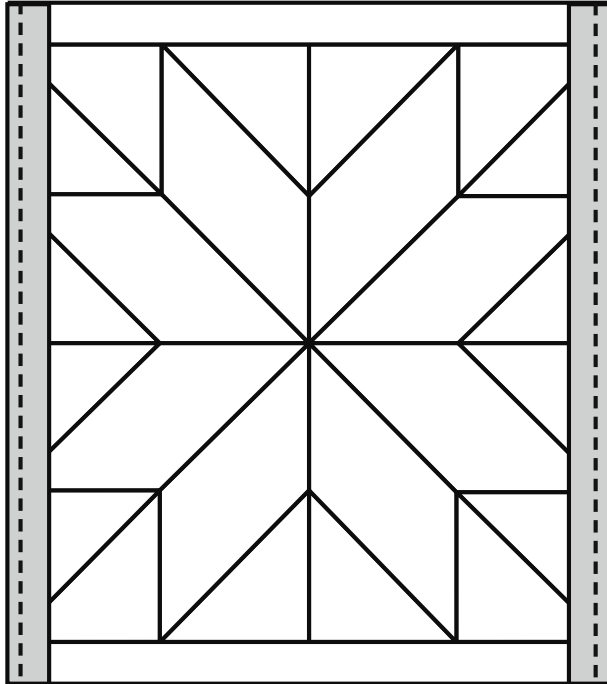
Right: \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \_\_\_\_\_

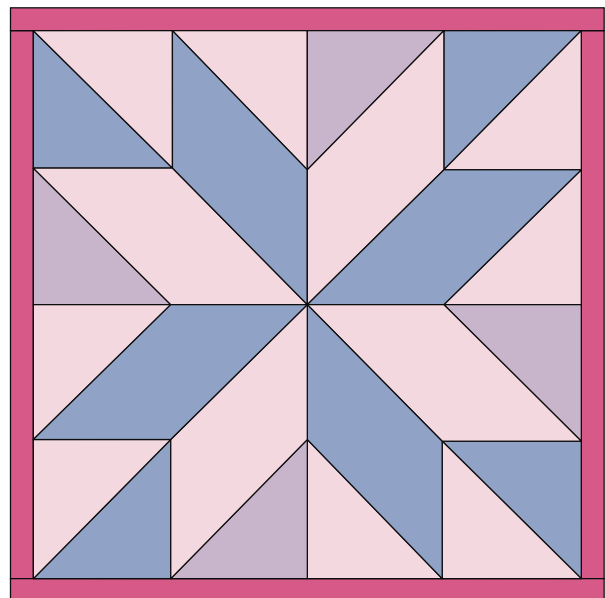
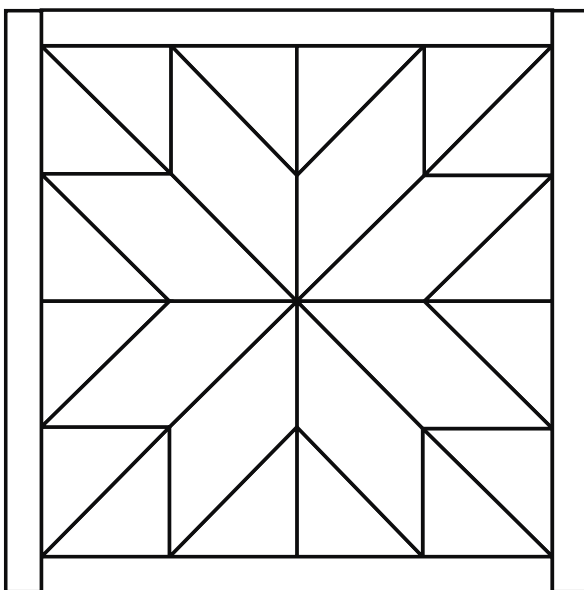
Average: \_\_\_\_\_

4. The average is the length of the **two side borders**. Cut one of this length from each 1 1/2" strip. Pin and sew to the sides of the block. Press.

14 1/2" Block



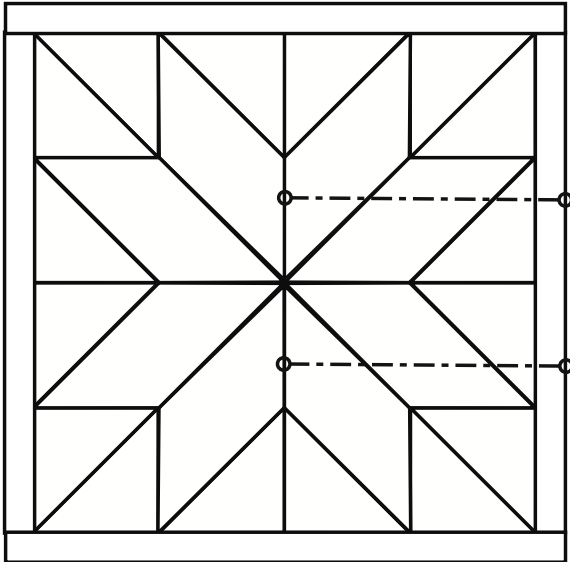
5. The block is now over sized and needs to be squared to 15 1/2" .



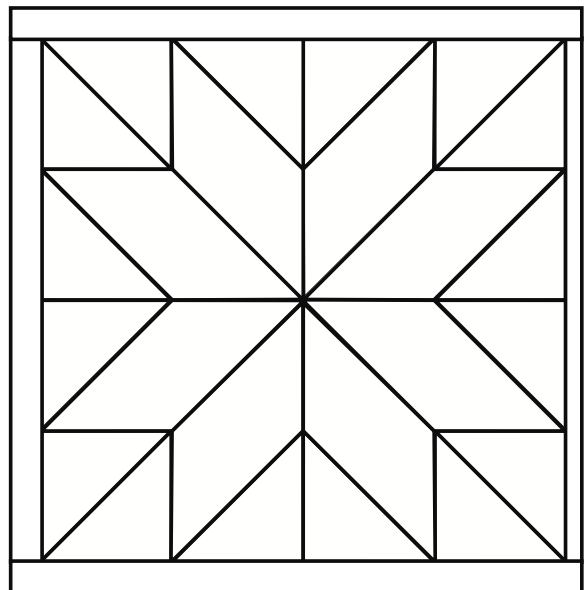
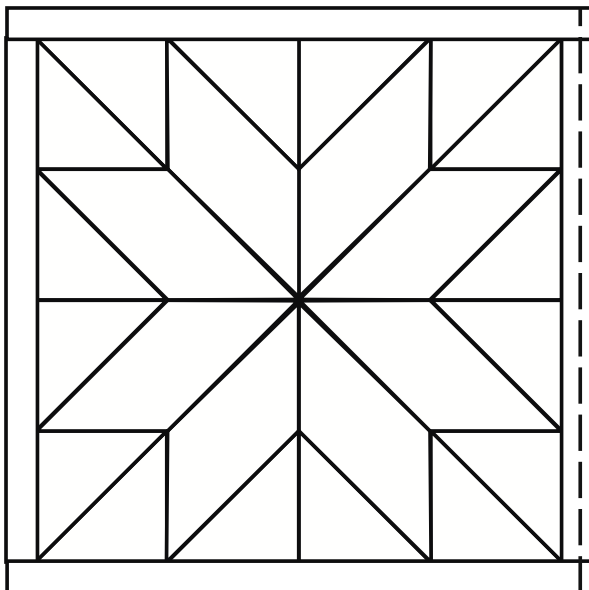
## SQUARING THE BLOCK TO 15 1/2"

When squaring a block, you will need a square ruler as big as the finished side of the block or one that is large enough to measure half of the block size. Watch my video [Sarah's Star February 2018](#) to see me square this block.

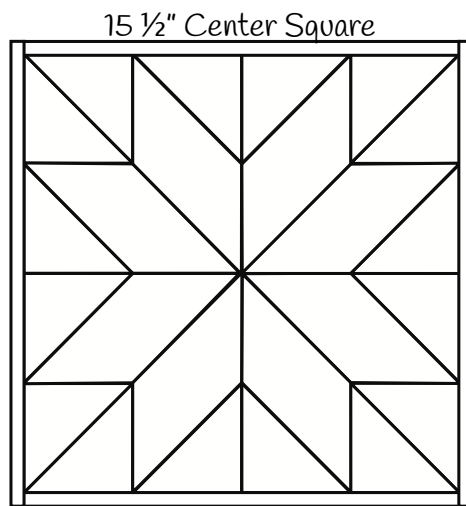
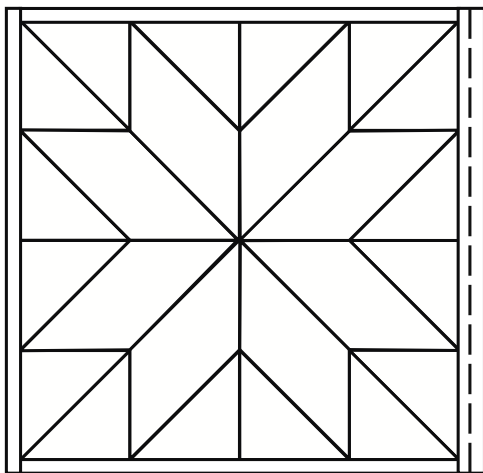
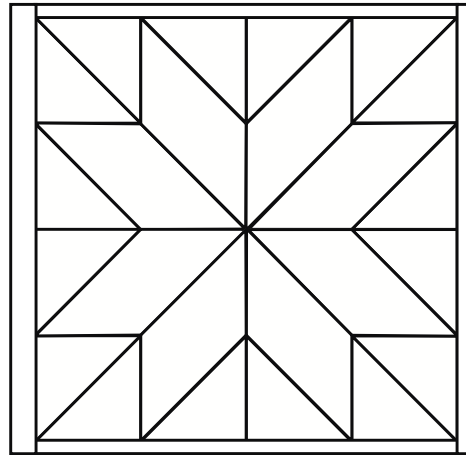
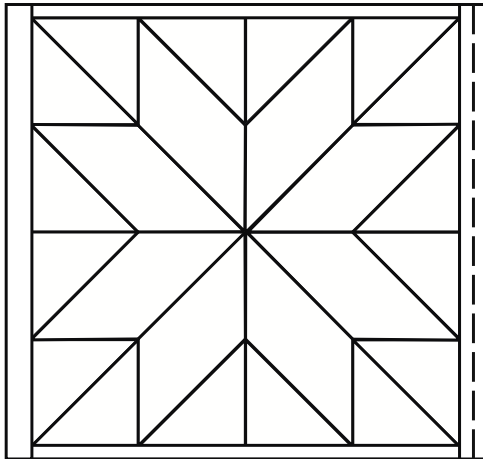
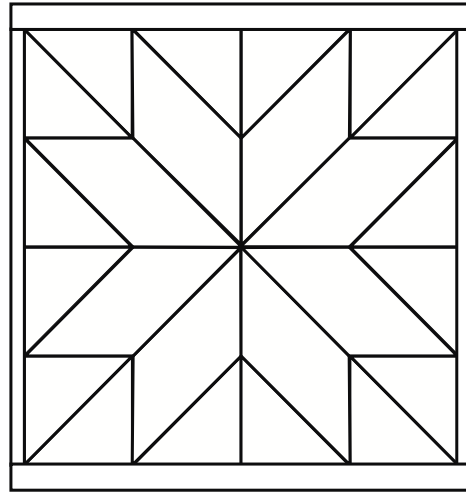
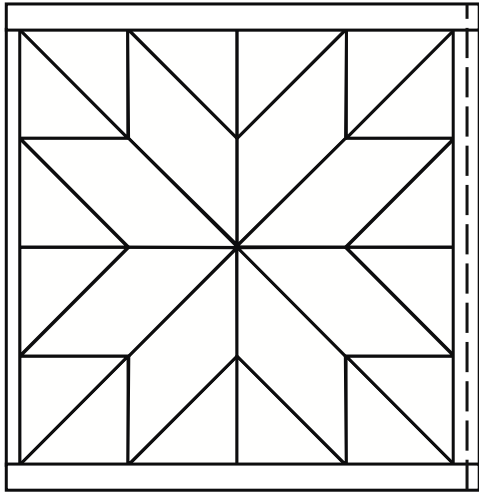
6. For this block I am using a Creative Grid 8 1/2" x 24" ruler. Half of 15 1/2" is 7 3/4". Using the center line of the block, place the 7 3/4" line of the ruler on the center line.



7. Trim the outside edge.



8. Turn the block to the opposite side and repeat Step 7. Repeat Steps 7 & 8 for the top and bottom.



Hooray!! You now have a perfectly square center block for your quilt.

