

Starburst Quilt using Half Square Triangle Techniques

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

Half-square triangles (HSTs) are a very fun and versatile quilting block that can be used to make a HUGE variety of quilt designs and patterns. This class will show you some easy techniques for making half-square triangles and give you an opportunity to learn to use a quilting tool to make perfect half-square triangles, which means crisp points on your quilting projects. This technique will then be used to create a “Starburst” quilt (finished size 58” x 58”).

YOUR SUPPLY LIST (WHAT YOU NEED TO BRING):

- **PRECUT FABRIC FOR THE CLASS*** You are encouraged to purchase fabrics from Berger’s, as this supports the shop. (**Note: PLEASE COME WITH THE 10” SQUARES PRECUT. We will not wait while folks cut the squares during class.**)
 - 16-10” print or color squares (1-1/2 yards of fabric or 16 squares from a Layer Cake). These can be all the same fabric if you use yardage, or if from a layer cake, can be multiple colors.
 - 16- 10” solid squares (1-1/2 yards of fabric or 16 squares from a solid Layer Cake). These can be solid fabric, a tone on tone fabric, or a fabric with no pattern but texture (like a subtle batik, grunge fabric or something similar). See the pictures for ideas. You are looking for contrast to the print/color.
 - 1/2 yard for inner border (does not have to be precut & may be the same as the solid color)
 - 3/4 - 1 yard for outer border (does not have to be precut & may be the same as the print color. Amount of yardage depends on how wide you want this outer border)
 - 3-1/4 yard for backing (does not have to be precut) OR 1-3/4 yards anti-pill fleece
- Triangular Square Up Ruler 9 1/2in from Quilt in a day Slotted Quilting Ruler (available at Berger’s) * OR the “Clearly Perfect Slotted Trimmer” (purchased elsewhere). **YOU WILL NEED ONE OF THESE TOOLS FOR THE CLASS!!! Without this tool, the class will not be successful for you.**
- Sewing machine which you know how to use well, and that is in good working order *
- Sewing machine needles *
- 1/4” foot for your machine *
- Cotton thread and at least 2-3 pre-wound bobbins (suggest either white or off-white or whatever matches the fabrics you will be using) *
- Rotary cutter (with a SHARP, preferably NEW blade) *
- Long quilting ruler (preferably 5-6” wide and at least 18” long) *
- Pins – preferably long with glass heads *
- Scissors – to include regular shears and thread-snipper scissors *

- Marking pens (recommend the Frixion Erasable Pens) *
- Seam ripper*
- Your lunch or a snack & something to drink (preferably water in case of spills)
- Paper and pen to take notes
- Optional – Cutting mat. There are mats in the classroom, but if you have a portable cutting mat things will go more quickly. One I use and love is the Omnigrid Fold-away Portable Cutting & Pressing Station.
- Optional - Portable iron or seam pressing tool. There are irons in the classroom, but if you have this and a pressing mat, things will go more quickly.

***Can be purchased at Berger's.**

ROTARY CUTTERS AND RULERS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE STORE FOR YOUR USE.