



Snowflake Star Block Challenge

This makes a 12 ½" unfinished block.

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Block of the Month
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Single color or tones of that color.

Block seams are ¼".



Focus – Medium, Light, and/or Dark



Background – Light/White

It is winter! There have been snowflakes, even falling from the sky!! So here is my inspiration for this block of the month – a snowflake. And remember, no two snowflakes are alike.

However, here is my twist to make this a challenge and the rules for the challenge:

- The snowflake block is a design of your choosing
- The snowflake block focus fabric(s) must be a single color or in the family of that color (e.g., blue or variations of blue)
- The snowflake block must be made of 16 – 3 ½" blocks (4 rows of 4 blocks)
- The snowflake block must be made primarily of half square triangles (HST). Allowed are only four (4) solid 3 ½" blocks
- The snowflake must have eight (8) 'points' (points are relative as HSTs are being used)
- Applique will be allowed only if all other rules are followed
- The placement of the HST makes the snowflake
- The snowflake block will finish to 12 ½" square

- 1) Cut your fabrics and sew them, using your preferred technique, to make 16 blocks (all 16 as HSTs or 12 HSTs and 4 solid background)
- 2) Examples of techniques to use if making all HSTs – Cut strips WOF x 5" for each fabric. Recut each into 5" squares resulting in 8 – 5" squares. Sandwich the focus fabric and the background fabric, right sides together. Mark a line down the diagonal of each set of 8 blocks. Sew ¼" on each side of the diagonal line. Once stitched, cut each block on the diagonal line to make 16 blocks. Press to the dark side. Trim each block to 3 ½". Piece to your design following above rules.
- 3) Sew rows together following your placement. I found it easier to press open the seams for each row. Trim to 12 ½". Have fun making this block!!!!

