






## Brasstown Star Block

This makes a 12 1/2" unfinished block.

	<b>Color 1</b> - 4 1/2" x 18" strip
	<b>Color 2</b> - one 2 1/2" x 20" strip - one 4 1/2" square
	<b>Color 3</b> - one 2 1/2" x 20" strip - one 4 1/2" x 18" strip

Calvert County Quilt Guild  
Block of the Month  
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Fall colors in the same color family –  
light, medium, dark.

Block seams are accurate 1/4".

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Reference – [www.quilterscache.com](http://www.quilterscache.com)

The leaves are falling, the deep colors of the earth are showing through lawns and in fields, all giving inspiration for this block rich in earth tones with the harvest hues. We have a harvest block to sew!!!

- 1) Cut **Color 1**, 4 1/2" x 18" strip into four 4 1/2" squares (Figure 1).
- 2) Cut **Color 3**, 4 1/2" x 18" strip into four 4 1/2" squares (Figure 2).
- 3) Stack and cut **Color 2** and **Color 3**, 2 1/2" x 20" strips into eight 2 1/2" squares (Figure 3). Separate.
- 4) For steps 4 and 5, the steps are to sew the different colored small squares *in opposing corners* to have correct color placement. I found chain piecing each of the four blocks for each step was easiest and fastest. Place a **Color 3** small square lined up with the upper left corner of a **Color 1** 4 1/2" square, right sides together. Lightly draw the diagonal line in the direction shown (Figure 4) on the back of the small square and sew ON this diagonal line (alternate – if you don't have a pencil, press the small block in half diagonally and use the crease as a sew line). Next, sew on a **Color 2** small square in the same way, *to the opposing corner*. Trim off excess seam allowance from both squares and press squares outward.
- 5) For the third corner, sew a **Color 3** square to the bottom left corner, and lastly sew a **Color 2** square to the remaining corner. Trim excess seam allowance and press both squares outward again. Trim each block (total of 4 blocks) to 4 1/2", as necessary.
- 6) Piece each final block according to the layout (Figure 5). Press the inner block of the first and last row is pressed out, and the middle row inner block is pressed in (the pieced blocks will help determine the direction to press). Piece the rows together and press to one side. Trim block to finish at 12 1/2".

