Bandana Stars of Valor

FREE DOWNLOAD PATTERN 57" × 65"





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Collection: Bandana **Finished Size:** 57" x 65"

Skill level: Confident beginner

WOF = Width of Fabric

| Fabric Requirements | Yards | Cutting Instructions |
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| Fabric A SBAND20-10 Mini Strip Pack | • | See below |
| Fabric B 81203-10 (Background & Inner Border) | 1 3/8 yds | Cut 6 – 2 ½" x WOF strips; join end-to-end and cut 2 – 54½" pieces & 2 – 50½" pieces for borders. Cut 13 – 2 ½" x WOF; cut 46 pieces using the larger template, 2 pieces using the smaller template, and 122 – 2 ½" squares. |
| Fabric C – 80671-99 (Outer Border) | %yd | Cut 7 – 3 $\%$ " x WOF strips; join end-to-end and cut 2 – 58 $\%$ " pieces & 2 – 57" pieces. |
| Fabric D 80675-49 (Binding) | ½yd | Cut 7 – 2 ¼" x WOF strips; join end-to-end and press in half lengthwise. |
| Fabric E – 80672-49 (Crosswise Backing) | 31⁄₃yds | Cut one 73" piece. Cut balance in half lengthwise, join end-to-end, and add to side of 73" piece. |
| Batting | | A piece 61" x 69" |
| Template plastic | | Trace large & small templates onto plastic, transferring all markings, and cut out along outer edges. |

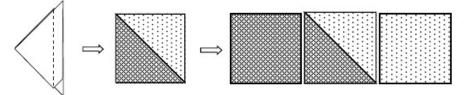
Cutting the strip set:

Sort strips into pairs of red/blue and light/dark. Working with one pair at a time, cut 36 pieces using the small template, making sure that the template is right side up. With strips right side up on your cutting surface, work from left end of strip to right end of strip, rotating template 180 degrees and placing left edge of template along previous cut. (You may stack the strips if you wish, but open them to full-width-of-fabric before stacking.) From balance, cut (9) 2½" squares.



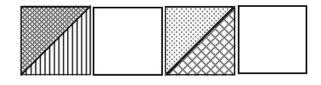
Piecing:

- 1. Lay out the red/blue 2½" squares randomly in 13 rows of 11, leaving 2½" between each square and between rows.
- 2. Working in the top row only, choose a triangle of Fabric #1 and Fabric #2. Sew together along diagonal edges, pressing seam to one side; trim unit to 2½" if necessary. Place this unit in the space between the first and second square so that the seam runs from UPPER LEFT to LOWER RIGHT,



and the Fabric #1 edge abuts the first square (see diagram).

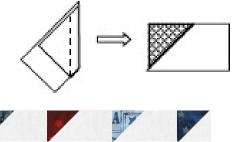
- **3.** Continue across the top row, making triangle units for 2/3, 3/4, 4/5, 5/6, etc up to 10/11. Insert these units between the squares. Do not sew them to the squares yet.
- 4. Repeat with rows 2 through 13, adding the triangle units between each square in the row.
- 5. Now we will make the triangle units that go between the rows. Choose triangles that match the first squares in rows 1 and 2, and sew them together, pressing seam to one side. Place this unit in the space between the first and second row so that the seam runs from UPPER RIGHT to LOWER LEFT, and the Fabric #1 edge abuts the first square (see diagram).



- **6.** Continue across the space between rows 1 and 2, inserting the triangle units between the squares.
- 7. Finally, insert the white (Fabric B) 2½" squares in the spaces between the triangle units.
- **8.** Keeping each piece in the correct position, sew the squares and triangle units together into rows, pressing seams toward squares. You will have 13 rows containing red/blue squares and 12 "in-between" rows containing white squares.
- **9.** Sew the rows together, matching seams, and press seams to one side.

Outer "Frame" of Star Points:

- 1. The outer star point units are built using the remaining red/blue triangles and the Fabric B pieces cut with the large template. Let's build the bottom frame first.
- 2. Choose a red/blue triangle that matches the first square in the bottom row, and sew it to a large white piece along the diagonal edge, pressing seam toward the red/blue triangle. Place this unit below the first star.



- **3.** Continue across the row, making units that match each red/blue square. For the last (11th) square, sew a white triangle to the red/blue triangle, pressing seam toward red/blue, and place below the red/blue square.
- **4.** Sew these units together into a row and sew this row to the bottom of the quilt, pressing seam toward quilt.
- **5.** Make the top "frame" row in the same manner. Note that the first unit in the top row is a white triangle/red-blue triangle unit, while the rest of the units are made using the large white template. Sew the units into a row and add to the top edge of the quilt, pressing seam toward quilt.



6. In the same manner, build the side "frames", adding a white square at the bottom of the right frame and the top of the left frame. Sew these side frames to the quilt, pressing seam toward quilt.

Border & Finishing:

- **1.** Sew the 54½" Fabric B strips to each side of the quilt, then add the 50½" Fabric B strips to top and bottom edges, pressing seams toward outer edges.
- 2. Sew the 58%" Fabric C strips to each side of the quilt, then add the 57" Fabric C strips to top and bottom edges, pressing seams toward outer edges.
- **3.** Layer the prepared backing, batting and quilt top. Baste and quilt as desired.
- **4.** Trim edges even with quilt top. Sew the prepared Fabric D binding to the edges, turn and stitch in place.

