## SWIRLING STARS

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Featuring ABtishin
Forest Olen


Finished quilt measures: $48^{\prime \prime} \times 51$ "
Difficulty Rating: Beginner

Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42 " wide.


## Notes Before You Begin

- Read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.
- Press seam allowances open unless otherwise noted.
- Width of fabric (WOF) is equal to at least $42^{\prime \prime}$ wide.
- Right sides together has been abbreviated to RST.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!


## Cutting Instructions

Arrange the two Charm Packs into forty sets of two matching squares. (you will have four squares left over)

## From each of the forty sets, cut:

one 3-1/2" square for the block center
four 2-3/8" squares for the flying geese

## From Fabric A, cut:

four 6-1/2" x WOF strips. Subcut:
forty 3-1/2" x 6-1/2" rectangles
five $4-1 / 4^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips. Subcut:
forty 4-1/4" squares for the flying geese
thirteen 2" x WOF strips. Sew five strips together, end-to-end, then trim:
four 2 " $\times 48-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ row sashing strips
From the remaining eight strips, subcut:
one hundred sixty 2" squares for the block corners

## Assemble the Flying Geese

Step 1: Pin two matching 2-3/8" squares in opposing corners of a 4-1/4" Fabric A square, RST. The squares will overlap slightly in the center of the large square. Using a ruler, draw a diagonal line through the squares.


Step 2: Sew scant 1/4" seam on each side of the diagonal line. Set the seam by pressing it flat. Cut along the diagonal line, creating two identical units.


Step 3: Press the fabric toward smaller triangles. Repeat with the second unit.

Step 4: Place one matching $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ square at the corner of sewn block unit. Draw a diagonal line in pencil. Sew a scant $1 / 4$ " seam on each side of diagonal line. Set the seam (press). Cut along diagonal line, creating two identical units.


Step 5: Press the seam toward smaller triangle. Trim off small dog ears left by the seam allowance. Trim to 2 " x 3-1/2" if necessary. Repeat to make four flying $\square$ geese blocks.

Step 6: Repeat with all remaining sets of $2-3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ squares and 4-1/4" Fabric A squares to make a total of forty sets of four matching flying geese blocks.

Assemble the Blocks


Step 7: Gather:
four 2" Fabric A squares
four matching flying geese units
one $3-1 / 2$ " square from the same print as the flying geese
Arrange the units into three rows of three. Note the fabric placement and block orientation in the Block Assembly Diagram.

Step 8: Sew the units together to form the rows. Press the seams toward the squares.

Step 9: Sew the rows together, nesting the seams and pressing the seams to one side to form the unit, which should measure 6-1/2" square at this point.

Sew the a $3-1 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 6-1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Fabric A rectangle to the bottom edge of the unit. Press.

The resulting Block should measure 6-1/2" x 9-1/2". Repeat Steps 7-9 to make a total of forty Blocks.

## Assemble the Rows

Step 10: Arrange eight Blocks to form one Row, using a random assortment of prints of your choosing. Note the block orientation in the Row Assembly Diagram.


Make a total of 3 rows.


Make a total of 2 rows.

Step 11: Sew the blocks together to form the row. Press. Repeat to make a total of five rows.

## Assemble the Quilt



Step 12: Arrange the Rows and the Row Sashing together as shown. Note the row orientation in the Quilt Assembly Diagram.

Step 13: Sew the sashing and block rows together to form the quilt center. Press seams open or to the sashing.

Your quilt top is complete! Baste, quilt, bind and enjoy!

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