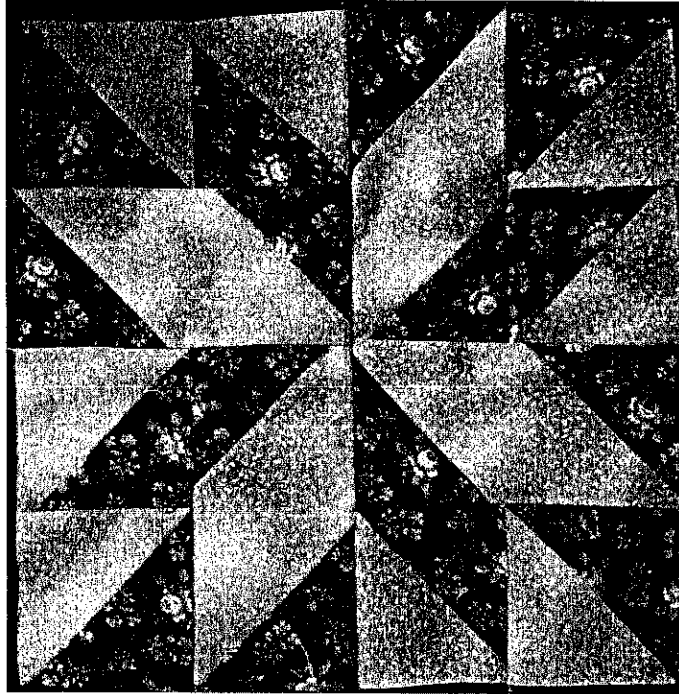


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Black + White Star 8.5" Block



To make one finished block you will need the following:

DARK ~~Black~~ FABRIC
2 - 5" Square
8 - 3" Squares

LIGHT ~~White~~ FABRIC
2 - 5" Square
4 - 3" x 5 1/2 " Rectangle

Sew one dark and light 5" square together per the diagram above or the instructions below:

1. Place both squares together with right sides of fabric on the inside and sew all around the edge of all four sides using $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam allowance
2. Cut the sewn square on the diagonal (corner to corner) twice so that you end up with 4 units which are half square triangle blocks
3. Repeat steps 1. and 2. for the second pair of dark and light 5" squares
4. Press the eight half square triangles, then square up to 3"
5. Iron or finger press or draw a diagonal line on all eight dark ~~Black~~ 3" squares
6. Place the one 3" square right sides together at the top of a rectangle. Sew on the pressed crease line or line drawn. However you place and sew your first square, do the rest of the rectangles in the same direction.
7. Likewise when sewing the second 3" square to the rectangle; be sure to sew in the same direction as the first one.
8. Press seams. Cut away the extra fabric.
9. Sew pairs of the half-square units together as shown in the picture.
10. Sew the paired half-square triangles to the rectangle units
11. Lay out the 4 sections to form a star, and then stitch together.

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