


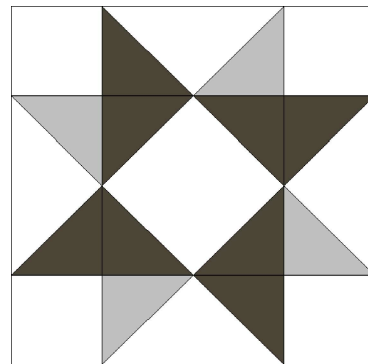


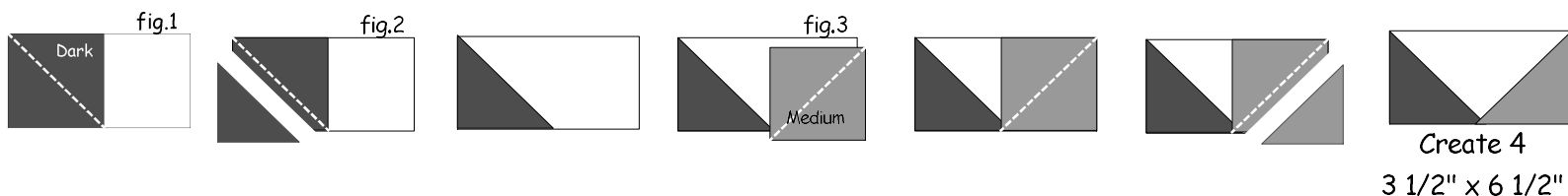
Spinning Variable Star

You'll need the following:

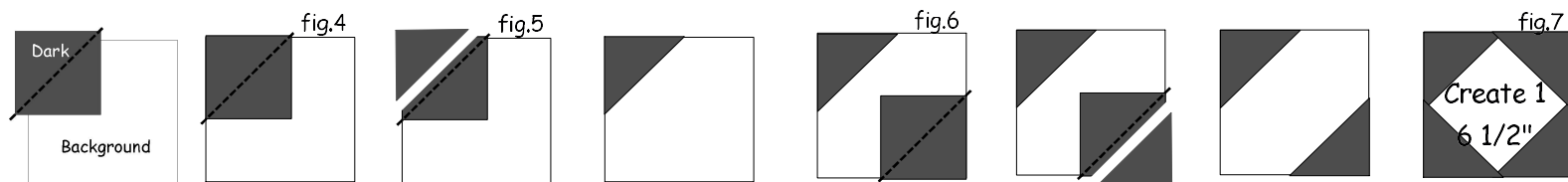
-  Background
 - 3 1/2" square - 4
 - 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangle - 4
 - 6 1/2" square - 1
-  Medium
 - 3 1/2" squares - 4
-  Dark
 - 3 1/2" squares - 8



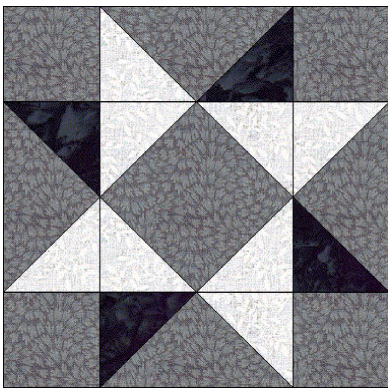
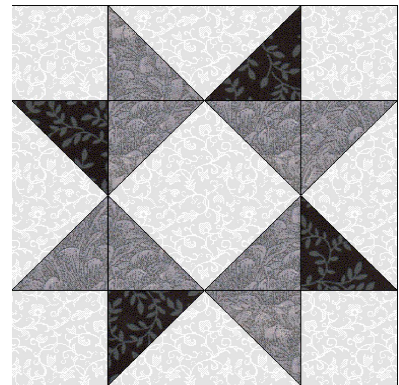
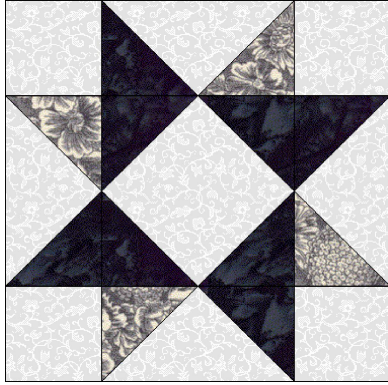
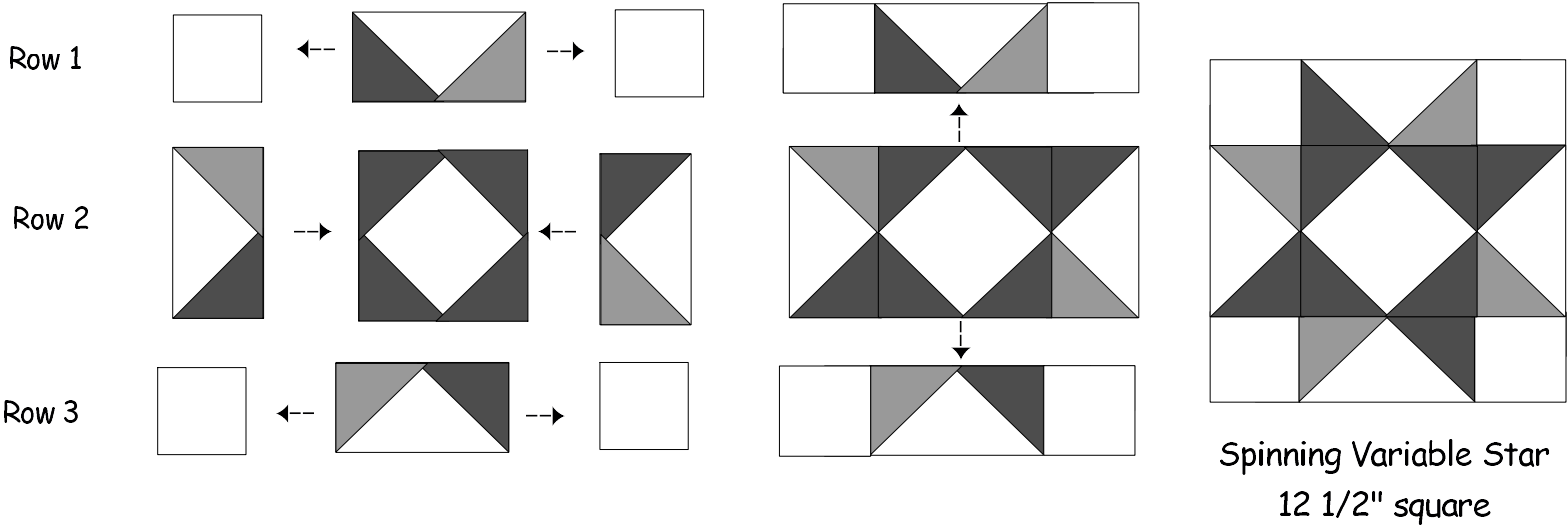
Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of 4 Dark & 4 Medium 3 1/2" squares. *(You can also just iron the squares on the diagonal to create the line.)* Layer the Dark squares on the Background rectangles, as shown in the diagram(fig.1), right sides together. Sew on the diagonal line. Trim 1/4" from the line toward the outside corner(fig.2). Press the seam allowance toward the Dark. Repeat the process on the other corner using the Medium squares as shown(fig.3). Create 4 units that measure 3 1/2" x 6 1/2".



Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the remaining Dark 3 1/2" squares. *(You can also just iron the squares on the diagonal to create the line.)* Layer a Dark square on the corner of the Background 6 1/2" square, right sides together, as shown in the diagram(fig.4). Sew on the diagonal line. Trim 1/4" from the line toward the outside corner(fig.5). Press the seam allowance toward the Dark. Repeat on the opposite corner(fig.6). Then repeat on the remain two corners to create your "Square in a Square unit" measuring 6 1/2" (fig.7).



Sew the units into rows. Pay close attention to the orientation of each unit. Press the seam allowance in the direction of the arrows. The rows should measure $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$ (except Row 2, it should measure $6\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$). Sew the rows together to create your block, measuring $12\frac{1}{2}''$. Pay close attention to the orientation of each row. Press the seam allowance in the direction of the arrows.



By changing color placement, you can create a "sampler" style quilt with just one block!

