## Scrappy 4-Patch Stars

Directions for a single block. A way to use up those leftover fabrics. You decide how many blocks are needed for your project.
$81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ block
Optional sashing \& cornerstones

$81 / 2 "$ block that uses the common sizes of $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ and $41 / 2$. If you are adding sashings and cornerstones, you could use $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ strips

## You need the following for each block

Scrappy Star Fabric:
$21 / 2 \prime$ " squares -8 (star points), 4 (4-patch)

Background:
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares - 4
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles-4

For example $5 \times 5$ block layout with sashings and cornerstones, you need:
Scrappy Fabric:
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares - 336
Background fabric:
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares - 100
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 4 \frac{1}{2} 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles - 100
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 8 \frac{1}{2 \prime}$ " rectangle -60

If you are going to use the layout with Sashings and cornerstones as shown on the previous page, you will need the following:

CHALLENGE: For each block, choose 12 different scrappy fabrics and 8 different background fabrics.

## Scrappy Fabric

$2^{11 / 2 \prime \prime}$ Squares for the number of cornerstones you are using Background Fabric:
$21 / 2^{\prime \prime} 81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ Rectangles for the number of Sashing rectangles you are using.
Draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of the Scrappy $21 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares. (You can also just iron the squares on the diagonal to create the line.) This line is the sewing line. You can eyeball it, but don't be surprised if the corners of the Flying Geese look a little wonky.
Layer the Scrappy Square on the $21 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ rectangle, right sides together, as shown in the diagram. Pay attention to the direction of the drawn line. Sew on the diagonal line. Trim $1 / 4$ " from the sewing line toward the outside corner. Press the seam allowance toward the Scrappy fabric. Repeat the process on the other corner, as shown in the diagram. Pay close attention to the direction you are sewing the second square. Create 4 Flying Geese units for each block.


For each block, create 4 Flying Geese measuring 2 1/2" x 4 1/2"

Create 4-Patches with Scrappy Colors


For each block, create 1 Flying Geese measuring $41 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Sew the units into rows and then the rows into a block.

Make as many as you need for your project.

Row 1:


Row 2:


Row 3:


This block measures $81 / 2^{\prime \prime}$

Sew your units together in rows, and sew rows together to create your quilt top. You may find you want to add a border or two, although this quilt looks fine with no borders. The binding creates the frame for the quilt.

Measure your quilt top horizontally across the middle (not the top and bottom edges), in three different areas (fig.1) to determine the length you need for the top and bottom border. Use an average of the three measurements. Piece the border strips to make them long enough (if needed). Add the top and bottom border to the quilt. It may be helpful to pin the strip to the quilt and ease in as needed. Press the seam allowance to the side. Measure the quilt top vertically to include the top and bottom borders you just added (fig. 2). Once again, measure it in a couple of areas and take the average of these measurements to determine the length needed for the side borders. Piece the border strips to make them long enough. Add them to the sides of the quilt. Press the seam allowances to the side. By using this process, you are keeping the quilt square. Repeat the process with each border.

