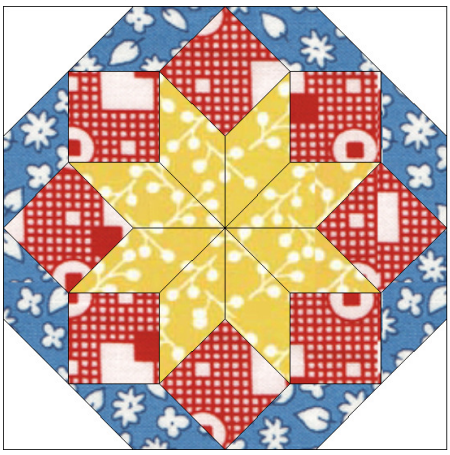


Midget Blocks—Block 86

Midget Blocks are a series of wonderful little blocks adapted from an antique sampler quilt made during the 1930s. I hope you'll enjoy making these blocks and a sampler quilt of your own.
Most of these blocks were made using just two colors. A print or solid color and the background fabric. This block in the original quilt was constructed using an orange solid, red solid, blue solid and the background fabric.
I chose to use different fabrics for may block.

Grandmother's Brooch—4 1/2"

In the antique quilt this block is the ninth from the left in the fourteenth row.

This block is well suited for hand piecing.

You can machine piece this block I think hand piecing would be more accurate and less stressful.

For hand piecing:

- From blue print: cut eight "B" diamonds.
- From yellow print: cut eight "B" diamonds.
- From red print: cut four "C" square and four "D" squares.
- From background fabric: cut four "A" triangles.

Hand piece the yellow B diamonds together to form the center star.

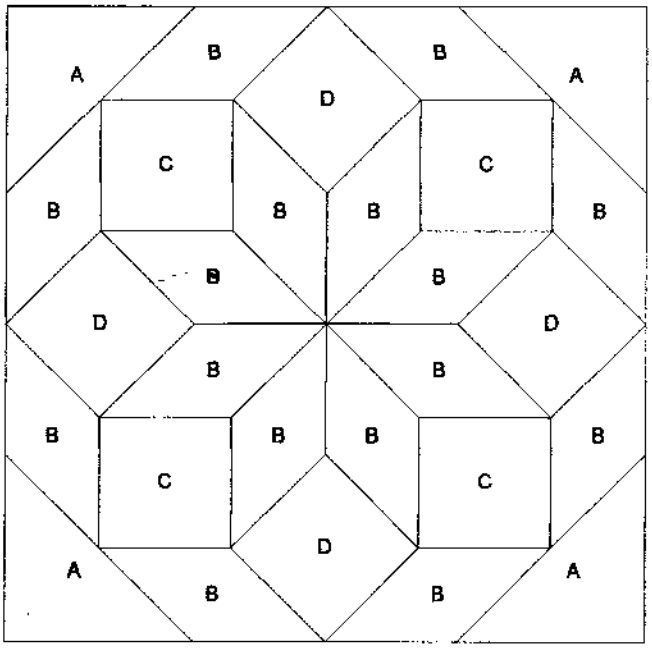
Inset the red C and D squares around the outside edges of the star paying special attention to placement.

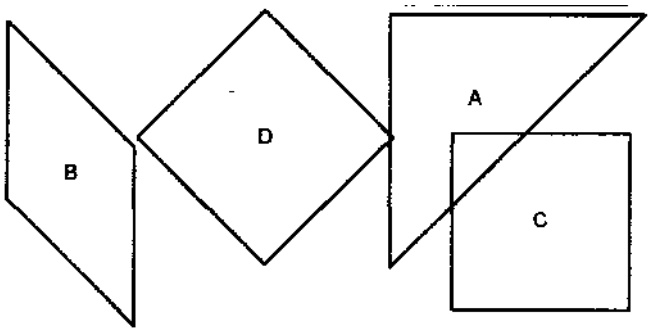
Inset the blue B diamonds around your star/ square section.

Stitch a background A triangle to each corner to complete the block.

If you want to rotary cut the pieces— *
A—cut two 2 1/8" squares. Sub-cut diagonally.
B—working with a 1 1/8" wide strip of fabric, cut diamonds at a 45 degree angle with points 1 5/8" apart.
C- cut four squares 1 3/8"
D—cut four pieces 1 3/8" x 1 5/8".

*measurements from EQ6





Your unfinished block should measure 5"

This line should measure 1" after printing pattern.

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