## BLOCK 3: BLAZING STAR PATTHRN.


"I have seen many blazing stars in my life, Nancy, but never have I seen one worked out quite like this one." "How did you happen to choose this scheme?"
"Well, you see, it had to fit in, as a block, with other blocks and had I made it in the ordinary way and omitted the dark wedges or triangles which frame it I would have had a star which looked too diffuse. The blaze would have been to spreading. This way I hold it in place.
"It was while judging quilts at a quilt show that I decided I could combine pieced blocks into a pleasing quilt. Then as I began to work with it, the idea of stars popped into my head and with the aid of the artists we achieved this quilt of many stars."

The quilt members had just about finished making this star and put their work away for pressing at home.

The members wanted to set the quilt together but Nancy suggested they wait a bit longer. "You can make more of the those joining stars and border stars. You know you have ten border stars and twenty-four joining ones. That ought to keep you busy until the next pattern comes out next week.



Most of this block can be rotary cut and hand or machine pieced. The pieces in this block are most accurately cut using templates
The finished size of this block is 9" (9 1/2" unfinished)

## Cutting:

| Dot Background: | Cut four template B <br> Cut four template A |
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| Dark Blue: | Cut eight C diamonds <br> Cut four D triangles |
|  | Cut four E triangles |
| Medium Blue: | Cut eight C diamonds |
| Light diamonds: | Cut sixteen C diamonds |



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Piece the block together as pictured below -
Sew dark blue and medium blue diamonds to the light diamonds in 8 units each that looks like this -


Sew together to form 8 diamond points.

Sew $D$ triangles to $E$ pieces and $E$ triangles to $B$ pieces.


Sew diamonds together forming an eight point star. Stop stitching at the outside edges of each seam so you can complete the Y shape seams of corner squares and triangles in the next step.


Sew square and triangle units to star points pivoting at inner points.


