

Learn to Paper Piece Quilt Along

Block One: Split Star

Cutting

Cut the following pieces to make 20 blocks. Save any leftover strips, you may be able to use them to cut pieces for other blocks.

From the white, cut:

- 3 strips, 5" x 42"; crosscut into 20 rectangles, 4-1/4" x 5"
- 2 strips, 3-3/4" x 42"; crosscut into 20 rectangles, 3" x 3-3/4"; place 2 rectangles *WRONG SIDES* together and cut them in half diagonally to yield 20 long-triangles and 20 reversed long-triangles.
- 1 strip, 2-1/4" x 42"; crosscut into 10 squares. Cut the squares in half diagonally to yield 20 triangles.

From *each* of black #1 and #2, cut:

- 1 strip, 5-1/4" x 42"; crosscut into 20 rectangles, 2" x 5-1/4" (40 total)

From gray #1, cut:

- 2 strips, 5" x 42"; crosscut into 40 rectangles, 1-1/2" x 5"

From *each* of red #1–5, cut:

- 1 strip, 4-1/4" x 42"; crosscut into 4 rectangles, 2" x 4-1/4" (20 total)

From *each* of red #6 and #7, cut:

- 1 strip, 2-3/4" x 42"; crosscut into 5 squares, 2-3/4" x 2-3/4" (10 total). Cut the squares in half diagonally to yield 20 triangles.

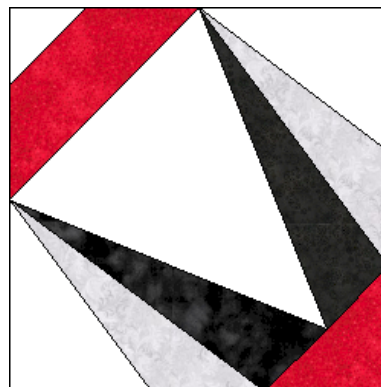
Making the Split Star Blocks

Refer to "Paper-Foundation Piecing Step-by-Step" on page 13 of *Learn to Paper Piece* to paper piece the blocks.

1. Make 20 copies of the foundation pattern on page 39 in *Learn to Paper Piece*.

2. Paper piece 20 blocks as follows:

- Piece 1: 4-1/4" x 5" **white** rectangle
- Piece 2: 2" x 5-1/4" **black #2** rectangle
- Piece 3: 2" x 5-1/4" **black #1** rectangle
- Pieces 4 and 5: 1-1/2" x 5" **gray #1** rectangle
- Piece 6: 3" x 3-3/4" **white** long-triangle
- Piece 7: 3" x 3-3/4" **white** reversed long-triangle
- Piece 8: 2" x 4-1/4" **red #1–5** rectangle
- Piece 9: 2-1/4" **white** triangle
- Piece 10: 2-3/4" **red #6–7** triangle



The blocks should measure 5-1/2" x 5-1/2", including seam allowances.