

Fabric Requirements for a 12" Finished Chained Star Quilt Block:

• Light/White: 2 - 5.5" squares, and 8 - 2.5" squares

• Medium 1/Pink: 6 - 2.5" squares

• Medium 2/Blue: 6 - 2.5" squares

• Dark/Blue: 2 - 5.5" squares



Sewing Directions:

Hourglass (or Quarter Square Triangle) Units:

Step 1:

Using the Light/White 5.5" squares and the Dark/Blue 5.5" squares, sew together four Hourglass units as shown in the picture below. You can find my tutorial for making a basic Hourglass block at: https://fabric406.com/blogs/fabric406-blog/how-to-sew-a-basic-hourglass-or-quarter-square-triangle-block



Four Patch Units:

Step 2:

Using four of the Medium 1/Pink 2.5" squares and four of the Light/White 2.5" squares, sew together two Four Patch units as shown below. You can find my tutorial for making Four Patch blocks at: https://fabric406.com/blogs/fabric406-blog/how-to-sew-a-basic-four-patch-quilt-block If you are making several of these blocks, it would be faster to use the strip piecing method. In this case since I'm only making one block, I used the basic method. I did use the tweak/twirl/furl method for pressing my seam allowances. You can see the back of these units in later pictures.



Step 3: Now you can repeat Step 2 but use the Medium 2/Blue 2.5" squares in place of the Medium 2/Pink squares.



Step 4:
For the final unit you will use the remaining two Medium 1/Pink 2.5" squares and two Medium 2/Blue 2.5" squares to make a Four Patch unit that looks like the one below.





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Putting It All Together:

Step 5:

Lay out the four Hourglass units and the five Four Patch units in a Nine Patch configuration as shown in the picture below.



Step 6: Sew the units together into three rows as shown below.



Step 7:
Press the seam allowances toward the Four Patch units as you can see in the picture below.



Step 8:

To finish up all you need to do is sew the three rows together!



And press the seam allowances toward the center of the **Chained Star** block! See, I told you it went together fast!

