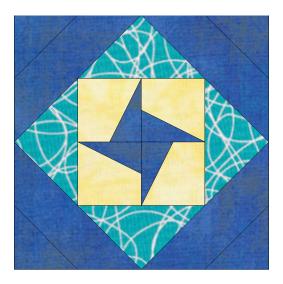
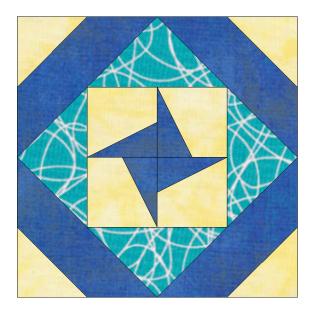
## Mystery Quilt 2024 Part 4

- 1. Take the "star" block you made last time. Align the large triangles of Fabric A made from the 7" square. Stitch them to the outer edge of the star block. (You are making a square in a square block again). When stitching, keep the triangle on the bottom, the star block on top because of the bias of the triangle. There will be overlapping. Your stitching should be hitting the point of the previous square.
- Press to the triangle. Repeat for all 4 corners. Make 18 star blocks. Trim to 10 ½ inches. (the half way mark is 5 ¼ inches)

Again, your cutting line should be falling ¼ inch outside the points so that your stitching can be right on the point.



3. Now using the remaining 72 background 3" squares that have a diagonal line, "snowball" the corners of this star block as you did for the X blocks. Press **away** from the snowball this time. Trim excess fabric from behind the snowball. Block should measure 10 ½ inches. Press well.



You should have 18 star blocks and 17 X blocks. Total of 35 blocks.

- 4. Lay out your quilt, 5 blocks across, 7 blocks down, starting with star block in top left corner. Alternate star blocks and X blocks. See diagram. The X-2 blocks have a safety pin. This side of the block should be on the edge of the quilt. When arranged properly, remove pins or clips.
- 5. Stitch blocks in rows, and then join the rows. Press well.

S = STAR BLOCK X1 = X BLOCK #1 X2 = X BLOCK #2 (with safety pin). All the safety pins will be on the outer edge of the layout.

S	X2	S	X2	S
X2	S	X1	S	X2
S	X1	S	X1	S
X2	S	X1	S	X2
S	X1	S	X1	S
X2	S	X1	S	X2
S	X2	S	X2	S

## **Borders:**

1. Measure your quilt top in 3 places side to side. Take the average measurement. Measure quilt top from bottom to top in 3 places. Average your measurement. Use these average measurements to determine how to cut your borders. Remeasure after each border is added.

## (If making only one border with fabric A, follow instructions for Border 3.)

Border 1: Cut B fabric into 2 "wide strips. Total of 7. Join end to end as needed. Attach to all sides of the quilt top.

Border 2: Re-measure quilt top. Cut fabric C into 1 1/2 " wide strips. Total of 7. Join end to end as needed. Attach to border #1.

Border 3: Remeasure quilt top. Cut Fabric A into 4 " wide strips. Total of 8 if you join your pieces perpendicular to the edge; 9 strips if you use a diagonal joining method.

## NOTE: if for any reason you do not have enough fabric for any one of the borders, adjust the width of that border, or omit it. Borders are optional.

Press your quilt top. Quilt as desired. ENJOY!