

Scrap Filled Stars

Quilt finishes at 60"x79" (before being quilted and washed)

To make the quilt pictured:



You need:

- 1 ¼ yards of various shirt scraps for the 16 patches
- 3 yards of white for background and sashing
- 1 3/8 yards of red bandanna for star points
- ¾ yards of blue for sashing strips
- ½-5/8 yard of fabric for the binding.

This quilt consists of only one block and sashing. The block looks like this:



It measures 16½" x 16½" before sewing together into the quilt. Use ¼" seam allowances throughout.

Cut:

For each block: (This quilt is made up of 12 blocks.)

From white:

- 4 – 4½" x 4½" squares
- 4 – 4 ½" x 8 ½" rectangles

Colorful shirtings:

- 16 – 2½" x 2½" square

Red bandanna:

- 8 – 4 ½" squares

For sashings for entire quilt:

From white:

- 62 - 1½" x 16½" strips
- 31 - 1½" x 16½" strips

For cornerstones for entire quilt:

From red bandanna:

- 20 3½" x 3½" squares

Construct blocks:

The blocks will finish at $16\frac{1}{2}'' \times 16\frac{1}{2}''$.

1. First, construct a 16 patch from your $16\frac{1}{2}''$ shirting fabrics.
(Do this by either sewing individual squares together, making 4 patches, or making strips of 4 and sewing them together. Your choice. I sewed sections of 2 together and made 4 patches. If I hadn't been using shirting strips, I would probably have sewn strips of 4 together and mixed and matched that way as it is a bit faster.) Make 12 16 patches of shirt scraps.



2. To each white $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$ rectangle, "snowball" both ends with a red $4\frac{1}{2}''$ square so that the piece now looks like this: You will 4 of these blocks for each 16 patch, so make 48.



Explanation:

- To do this: take a white $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 8\frac{1}{2}''$ rectangle and place a red square $4\frac{1}{2}''$ bandanna piece on it so it looks like this (right sides together): Sew across on the dotted line.



- Trim on smaller dotted line about $\frac{1}{4}''$ from the sew line to the outside.



- Press red bandanna towards the outside and one side is done!



- Repeat for other end: place red 4 1/2" square over the white end and sew across the dotted line:



- Trim on the smaller dotted line, or about 1/4" to the outside of the previously stitched line.



- Press the red to the outside. It now looks like this:



- Take your 16 patches and add a star points block to each side:



- Now, make two strips that look like this and add to the top and bottom of your center of the block: Use a 4 1/2" white square with a star points block and another 4 1/2" white square:



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Make 12.

Make sashing units:

Sew 2 1½" x WOF white strips to a 1½" x WOF blue strip and subcut to 16 ½" inches long to get each sashing strip.



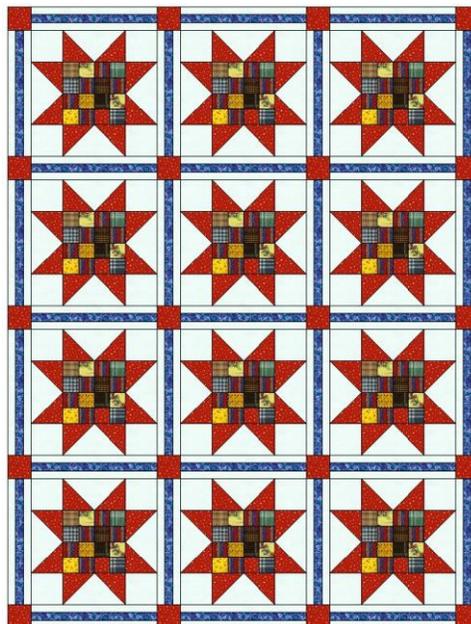
You should be able to get 3 sashing strip sets from each 40" "set of strips". So you will need to make 11 strip sets. If you don't mind a seam in the middle of your sashing, you can get by with fewer by piecing your whites and blues into longer pieces and sewing them together for a continuous long strip.



Make 31.

How to make this quilt:

1. Construct your blocks.
2. Place blocks as in this diagram.



3. **Sew the blocks together** as per the layout - 3 blocks wide and 4 blocks down. When you put them together, put a prepared 3½" x 16½" sashing strip between each block. Between each row, prepare a strip of sashing set, red 3½" square cornerstone, sashing, cornerstone, etc. and attach it to the row above. Use the diagram to help you.
4. **Press well.**
5. **Sandwich**, using whatever type of batting and backing you prefer.
6. **Quilt** as desired. I did straight line quilting to emphasize the star.



7. **Bind**, using whatever method you wish. I machine sew my bindings attaching to the back and bringing to the front and sewing on from the front.

Congratulations!
Your quilt is finished!
Enjoy!

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P.S. My quilt measures 56" x 75" after quilting and washing.