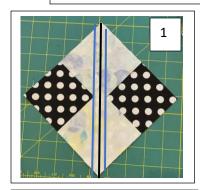
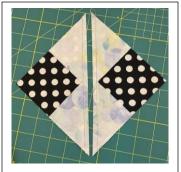
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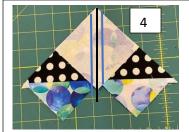
# Month 3 (Ohio Star Blocks)

#### **General Tips:**

- 1. When following the book, an accurate ¼" seam is needed. Check you seams to make sure they are ¼" and if the ¼" is off, adjust before proceeding. Also be careful to make accurate diagonal cuts when instructed.
- 2. If you follow the instructions in the book, you are cutting on a bias edge. I suggest using starch to reduce the stretching.
- 3. Some of the fabrics had more shrinkage than others so I suggest preshrinking all the fabric. I do this by spraying the fabric completely with Best Press but you could also use water. I use Best Press since it also helps with the bias edges.



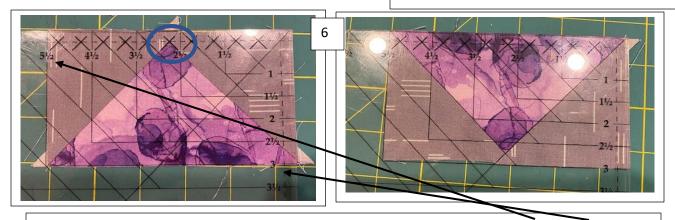






## Flying Geese:

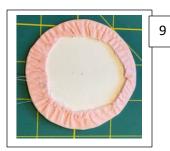
- 1. Draw a diagonal line (black line) and  $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the diagonal line (blue line) on each of the bright star fabric.
- 2. Place 2 bright star fabric right side together with the black spot fabric as shown.
- 3. Sew on the blue lines and cut on the black line. Press.
- 4. Take each piece from step 3 and place another bright star square as shown. Sew on the blue lines and cut on the black line to get the flying geese.
- 5. Make sure the flying geese are 3" x 5 ½".
- 6. If necessary, trim. If you ¼" seam allowance is accurate, there won't be any trimming needed.



If needed, use a flying geese ruler to trim. Start with placing the piece between the 5 %" and 3" mark. The point will be placed as shown. Trim 2 sides. Turn the piece 180 degrees and trim the other side.

## **Center Circles:**



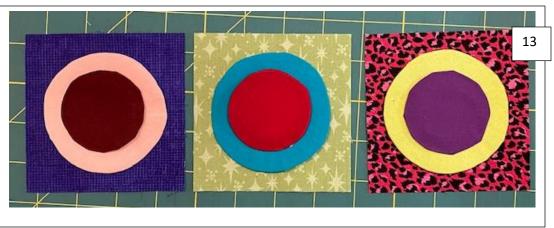


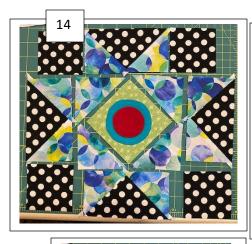




Optional: If you have Applipops, they work well with the smaller circle. I starch the fabric and use my fingers and an iron to press around the inner circle.

- 7. For the center circles, I used the 2 circles in the pattern and cut them out of cardboard.
- 8. Cut fabric slightly bigger than the pattern.
- 9. I add a basting stich around the outside and put the circle shape in the middle.
- 10. I pulled one thread to make it gather.
- 11. Iron and allow it to cool.
- 12. After it has time to cool, remove the cardboard shape.
- 13. Center the center circles on the bright star fabric with the smaller circle on top of the larger circle and use your favorite applique stitch around the edges.









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- 14. Add a triangle from the 3 3/8" bright star squares to each side of the center created in step 13.
- 15. Add a flying geese to opposite sides of the center.
- 16. With the remaining flying geese, add a spot fabric square to each end.
- 17. Sew the 3 rows together.
- 18. Set aside the 3 blocks until you start putting the middle border blocks on.

