

Beginners Sampler Quilt

Part 2



Amish Friendship Star



Dutchman's Puzzle

Tools & Equipment



Pieced Star

These blocks have been made using two commercially available templates BUT if you do not have access to them, use the cutting instructions in red.

Sewing machine, 1/4" presser foot
Thread to match fabrics

Rotary Cutter 28/45/60 mm + Cutting Mat 17 x 23"

Acrylic Ruler - 24 or 12.5 x 6.5"

Acrylic Square 12" or 6.5"

*EZ Companion Angle or EZ Easy Star & Goose Template

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* *Sew Easy* make similar templates

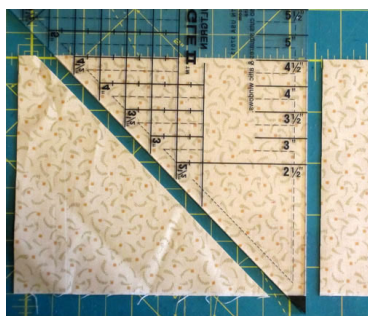




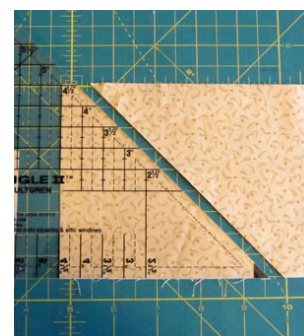
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Seam Allowance: 1/4"

1. Cut one 4 1/2" x 12" Cream strip. **Fold** in half and if required trim ends straight. Place Easy Angle template on fabric aligning the template with edges of material. (Cut two 4 7/8" Cream squares - divide in half diagonally.)



2. Cut along edge of template making two Cream triangles.



3. Turn template. Re-align 4 1/2" marked line on the template with top of material - small black tip on template now hangs below the material. Cut up side of template to make two more Cream triangles.

4. Repeat Stages 1-3 with Mustard Yellow. (Two 4 7/8" Mustard squares - divide diagonally.)

5. Join one Mustard Yellow triangle to one Cream triangle.

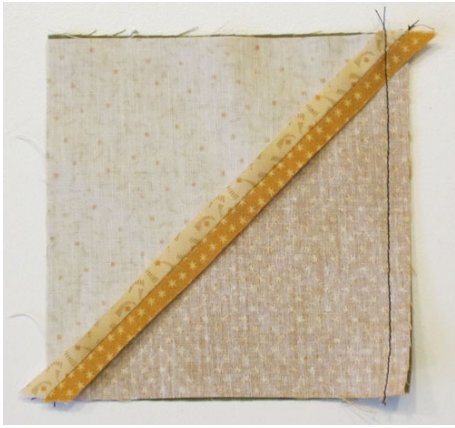


Press seam open and flat.

6. Cut four 4 1/2" Green squares and one 4 1/2" Tan square.

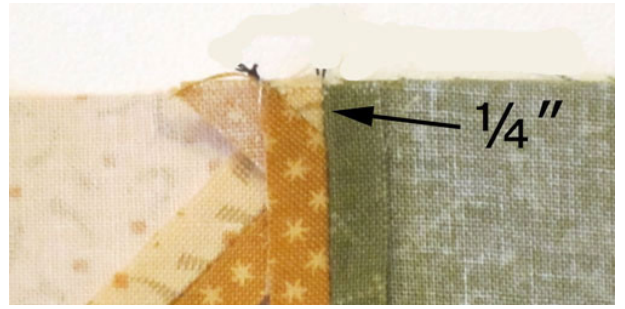
7. Arrange the pieces as shown.



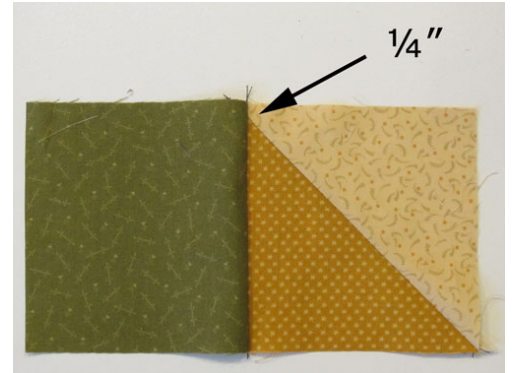


8. Sew one Green and one Mustard Yellow and Cream square together.

Press seam open and flat. With luck - there should be a visible divide in the seams $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the top of the fabric edge. This indicates where to sew when joining sections together.



If you turn the piece to the R/S - there should be a $\frac{1}{4}$ " gap at the top of the Yellow triangle! These two signs are good indications that you are accurate with your seam allowance.



9. Continue to join all pieces as shown in the pictures. Press all seams open and flat.



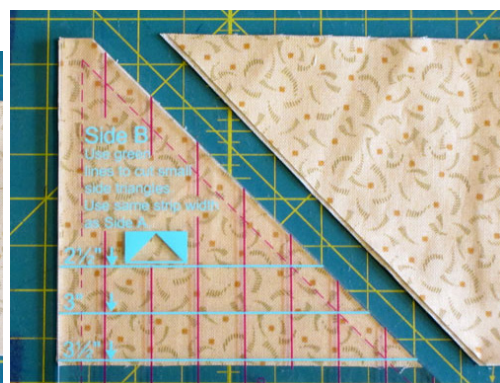
Why not change the colours or exchange the corner squares for two triangles?



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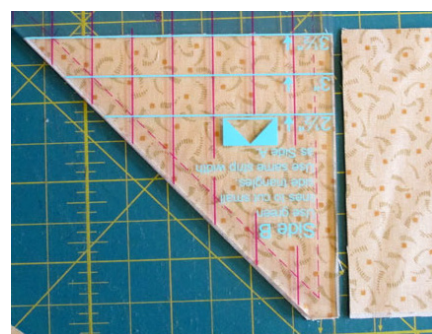
Seam Allowance: $\frac{1}{4}$ "

1. Cut two Cream $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 14" strips. Lay strips R/S together. Place Easy Star & Goose template on fabric aligning template with edges of material - use **Blue lines**.



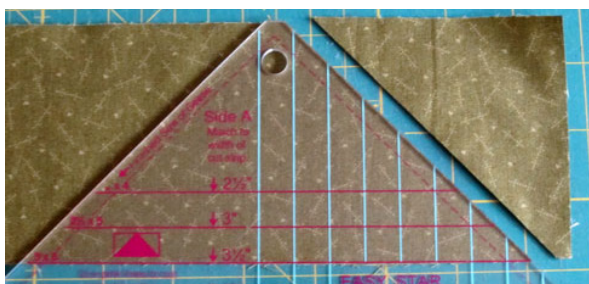
2. Cut up edge of template making two Cream triangles.

3. Turn template. Re-align $3\frac{1}{2}$ " marked line with top of material. Cut up side of template to make two more Cream triangles.



4. Repeat Stages 1-3 twice more making six sets of pairs of triangles. (Cut six $3\frac{7}{8}$ " Cream squares - divide in half diagonally.)

5. Cut two $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5" Mustard Yellow strips. Lay R/S together. Cut four more triangles as explained above. (Cut two $3\frac{7}{8}$ " Cream squares - divide in half diagonally.)

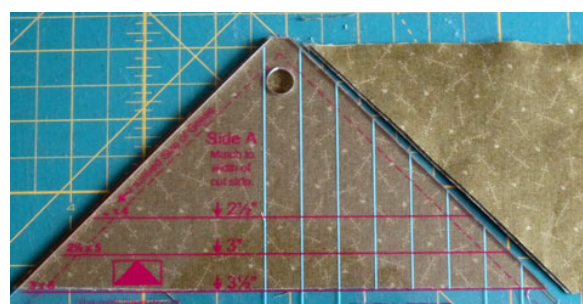


6. Cut one $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 20" Green strip. Place Easy Star & Goose template on top, aligning raw edges of fabric with template. **Red lines** are used. Cut up side of template. (Cut one $7\frac{1}{4}$ " Green square - divide in four diagonally.)

7. Flip fabric over, replace template and cut along other side of template.

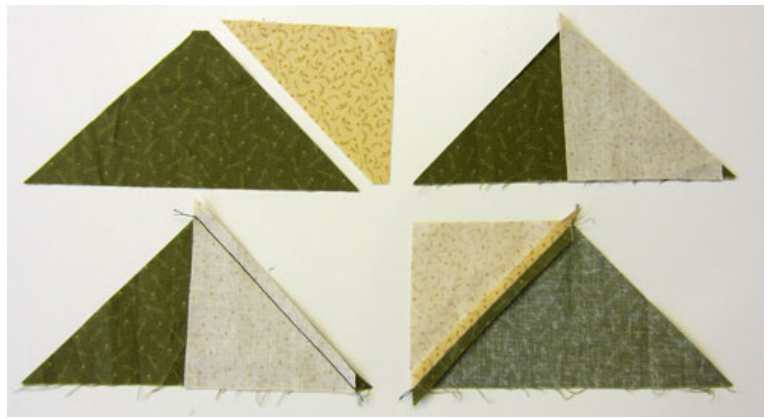
8. Cut three more triangles in the same manner.

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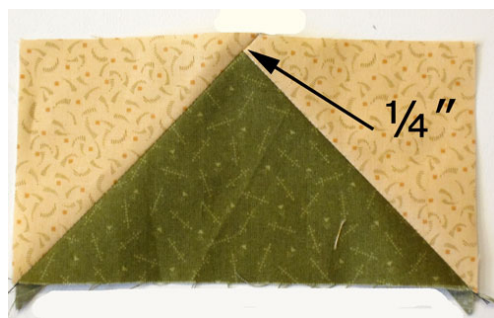
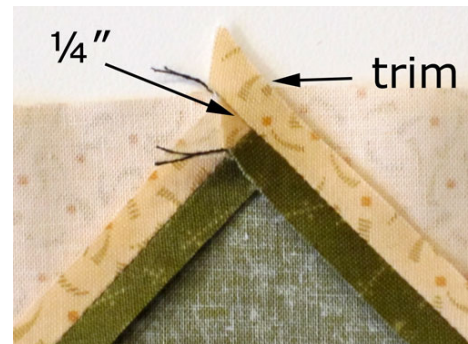


9. Cut four Red triangles as described in Stages 6-8.
 (Cut one 7¼" Red square - divide in four diagonally.)

10. Join one Cream triangle to one Green triangle. Press seam open and flat



11. Attach one Cream triangle to the other side. Open out and press seams flat. Trim excess fabric 'ear' from top edge of rectangle.



Check seam accuracy - there should be ¼" gap between top of Green triangle and edge of material.
 One lives in hope!!

12. Join one Mustard Yellow triangle to RIGHT HAND side of a Red triangle. Stitch one Cream triangle to the other side forming a rectangle.



13. Arrange all eight rectangles as shown.

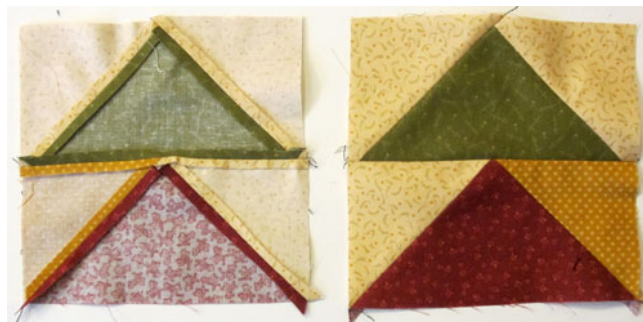
14. Take two rectangles and sew together to form a square.

If pieces are stitched with Red section on top then the seam junction will be visible. Sew exactly through this junction.

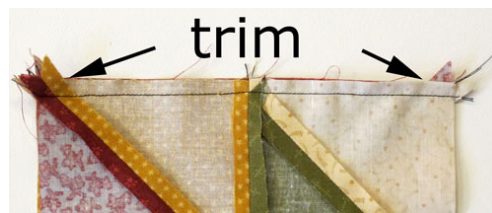




15. Take care to join the correct seams - lay each section back in place to make certain that the design is correct - very easy to make a mistake.

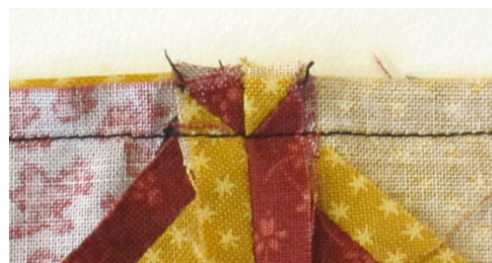


Trim 'ears' from edges once the seam has been made. Press seam open and flat.



16. Join two squares to make one half of the design. Then join the two halves together to make the complete design.

Take care when joining the two halves to get all the points together in the centre but buttons are always a good option!!



17. Press the block well on completion.



Why not consider re-arranging the pieces?

Turn the Dutchman's Puzzle the other way.

Or try other arrangements.

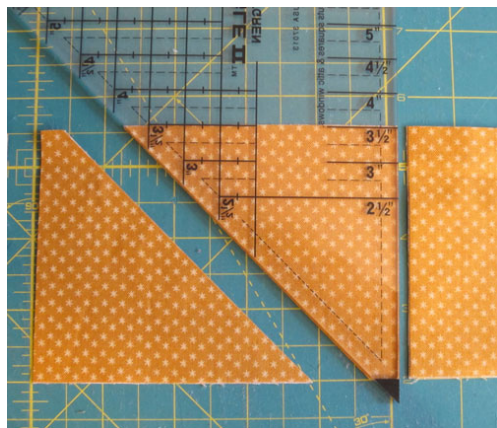
Sew the pieces together as described above.



Pieced Star

Seam Allowance: $\frac{1}{4}$ "

1. Cut two Yellow $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 14" strips. Lay strips R/S together. Place Easy Angle template on fabric aligning the template with the edges of the material. Cut up side of template.



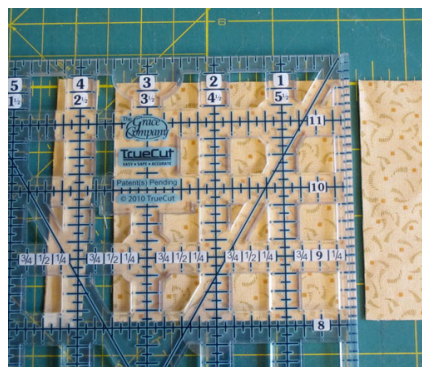
2. Flip template over and cut two more triangles. Repeat twice more making eight Yellow triangles in total.

(Cut four $3\frac{7}{8}$ " Yellow squares - divide in half diagonally.)

3. Repeat Stages 1-2 with two Cream strips. (Cut four $3\frac{7}{8}$ " Cream squares - divide in half diagonally.)

4. Sew one Yellow triangle to one White triangle following Stage 5

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5. Cut two $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 7" strips in Red - from these strips cut four triangles. Repeat with two $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 7" Green strips. (Cut two $3\frac{7}{8}$ " Red + two $3\frac{7}{8}$ " Green squares - divide in half diagonally.) Join one Red triangle to one Green triangle making a square. Make three more.



6. Cut four $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Cream squares.

7. Lay out the pieces to form the Star design

Why not play and try arranging the pieces in a different pattern?

8. Sew the centre squares together. Press seams open and flat.

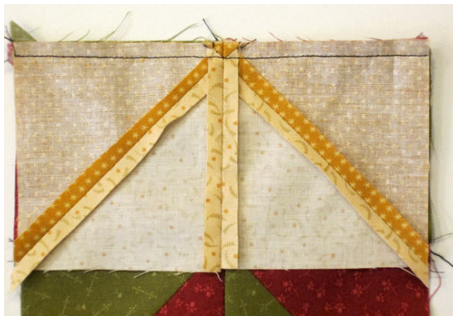




9. Sew all the squares together as shown in pictures.

Don't forget to cut the 'ears' off the seams!

Press the seams open and flat. Try to ensure that there is a 1/4" S/A at the tips of the joined triangles.

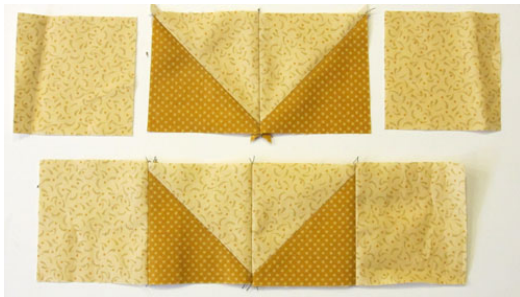


Sew this section on to the centre square. To ensure accurate points - sew exactly through the base of the 'V' shaped junction in the seams.



Repeat on the other side of the centre square. Press seams.

Repeat on the other side of



Sew the remaining sections together to form two strips. Attach these strips to opposite sides. Press seams open and flat.



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