

## DECEMBER 2020 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

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We made this block, a version of the Hunters Star, two years ago, but I am repeating it as we need a bright light to guide us into a better year. May 2021 be the year when we can all meet again in person, give the occasional hug, take off the masks and be normal once more!



You will need two yellow fabrics, either plain, tone-on-tone or one of each, and a dark navy for the background.

### **Cutting instructions:**

Yellow #1 (Y1): Four 3 3/8" squares

Yellow #2 (Y2): Four 3 3/8" squares

Navy: Four 2 1/2" squares

Four 3 3/8" squares

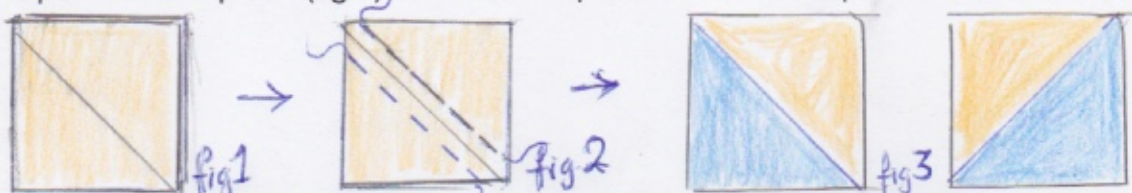
Two 1 1/2 x 8 1/2" rectangles

Two 1 1/2 x 10 1/2" rectangles

First take the  $3\frac{3}{8}$ " squares to make half square triangles.

Place two Y1 on two Y2 squares, right sides facing. Place remaining four yellow squares on each of the navy  $3\frac{3}{8}$ " squares, right sides facing.

On the lighter fabric of each pair draw a diagonal line from corner to opposite corner (fig.1). Stitch  $\frac{1}{4}$ " out from both sides of the line (fig.2), then cut apart on the marked line. Open out and press.(fig.3) Trim each square to a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square.



You now have four Y1/Y2 units, four Y1/blue units, and four Y2/blue units.



Lay out all your squares according to the diagram.

Sew each row together, then join the rows to make the star.

Stitch the  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " strips to the top and bottom of the star and press. Finally stitch the  $10\frac{1}{2}$ " strips to the other two sides. You will have a finished  $10\frac{1}{2}$ " square.