

Yankee Pride notes on

“Blue Boardwalk” by Diane Nagle

This pattern looks complicated, but it is really just two blocks: the Star (used in blocks and cornerstones) and the Lattice. Add borders, and you've got it! The units used in making this quilt are also basic: Half-square Triangles and Flying Geese. Both blocks are the same size. In the Windham pattern, the finished size of the blocks is 9", but you could easily change the size of the units to make a smaller or bigger quilt.

I am modifying the instructions to use fast-piecing techniques, for less stress and greater accuracy. For the Flying Geese units, I will be using the Wing Clipper II. For the Half-square Triangle units, I'll be using the Tucker Trimmer II. Both of these rulers are from Studio 180 Design.

I. Making one 9" block

A. Half-square triangles:

Use one 3½" square **each** of Lattice fabric (L) and Background fabric (B).

- Mark a diagonal line from corner to corner, on the back side of the B fabric.
- Sew a diagonal line, ¼" away from both sides of the drawn line.
- Cut the unit apart on the drawn line, and press toward the L fabric.
- Trim the units to 2¾" using the Tucker Trimmer II. You will have two.

B. Flying Geese:

Use one 6" square of B fabric and four 3½" squares of Star Point (P) fabric.

- Follow the instructions for the Wing Clipper II ruler.
- Trim the units to 2¾" x 5".

II. Parts of this quilt

- Six (6) Star blocks
- Seventeen (17) Lattice blocks
- Twelve (12) Star cornerstone blocks

III. Units that need to be made:

- Flying geese, **all** trimmed to 2¾" x 5" with the Wing Clipper II. They are as follows:
 - Star points for blocks – twenty-four (24) made with Point (P) fabric and Background 1 (B1).
 - Star points made for Star cornerstone blocks – forty-eight (48) made with P and Background 2 (B2).
 - Lattice flying geese – sixty-eight (68) made with Medium and Dark fabrics, and B2.
- Half-square triangles, **all** trimmed to 2 ¾" with the Tucker Trimmer II.
 - Twenty-four (24) made with the Lattice (L) fabric and B1.
 - Forty-eight (48) made with L and B2.

IV. Cutting instructions for this quilt, but using the Wing Clipper II and Tucker Trimmer II rulers.

- A. Star Points (P) darkest color (1½ yards)
 - 1. Cut six strips, 3¼" x width of fabric (WOF).
 - a. Crosscut them into seventy-two (72) 3¼" squares.
 - 2. Cut seven strips, 2½" x WOF. Set aside for binding.
- B. Background 1 (B1), used in star block squares (½ yard)
 - 1. Cut one strip, 6" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut it into six 6" squares.
 - 2. Cut one strip, 3¼" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut it into twelve (12) 3¼" squares.
- C. Lattice (L), used in lattice and star blocks (1½ yards)
 - 1. Cut three strips, 3¼" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut them into thirty-six (36) 3¼" squares.
 - 2. Cut three strips, 9½" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut them into thirty-four (34) 2¾" x 9½" rectangles.
- D. Background 2 (B2), used in lattice blocks and cornerstone strips. (1¼ yards)
 - 1. Cut eight strips, 3¼" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut them into ninety-two (92) 3¼" squares.
 - 2. Cut two strips, 6" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut them into twelve (12) 6" squares.
- E. Star Center I (SC1) used in blocks (¼ yard)
 - 1. Cut six 5" squares.
- F. Star Center II (SC2) used in the cornerstones (¾ yard)
 - 1. Cut two strips, 5" x WOF.
 - a. Crosscut them into twelve (12) 5" squares.
- G. Medium (M) and Dark (D), used for Flying Geese (½ yard **each**)
 - 1. Cut two strips, 6" x WOF, from **each** fabric.
 - a. Crosscut each fabric into nine 6" squares.
- H. Inner Border (¾ yard): Cut six strips, 1½" x WOF.
- I. Outer Border (1 yard): Cut six strips, 4½" x WOF.