Variable Star You will make one 12" inch star and two 6" inch stars.

## Cutting

	12" block		6" block	
Background	4 squares @ 4-1/2"	1 square @ 5-1/4"	8 squares @ 2-1/2"	2 square @ 3-1/4"
"Variable" color Inner background around points	1 square @ 5-1/4"		2 square @ 3-1/4"	
Star points	2 squares @ 5-1/4"		4 squares @ 3-1/4"	
Center of star	1 square @ 4-1/2"		2 squares @ 2-1/2"	

## Sewing

Match up one 5-1/4" Star Point squares to the 5-1/4" Background and the other to the 5-1/4" Variable Color, right sides together. Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the other. Sew 1/4" away from each side of the drawn line. Cut the squares in half on the drawn line. Press to the Star Points fabric.



Next - Match up two sets of these new 1/2 square triangles, each with square made with the variable color and one with the background. Background fabrics and Variable fabrics should face the Star Points, making the seams nestle together. Mark a diagonal line from the opposite corner of the seams. Sew 1/4" away from each side of the drawn line. Cut the squares in half on the drawn line. Press seams away from the background. Finished block should measure 4-1/2".



For 6" stars, repeat this process with the 3-1/4" squares of background, variable fabric and star point fabric. Finished block should measure 2-1/2".

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Pay close attention to the illustration for placement. Note the variable fabric faces the center square at all times. Sew rows together as shown. Press seams away from pieced star points.



Next - sew rows together, matching seams at intersections. Make sure to sew across the Star Points right on the 1/4" seam intersections. Press seams away from the center of the star or press open, if desired.



Make one block measuring 12-1/2" and two blocks measuring 6-1/2".

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