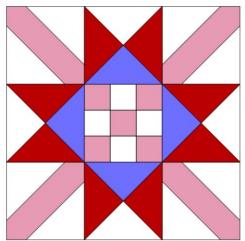


# OHIO STAR -VARIATION

Finished Block Size: 9" square









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- Includes full step by step instructions and diagrams.
- Colouring sheet to assist in planning.
- Tips and tricks for easy construction.

Free Block Pattern

### Special Notes:

The *Ohio Star – Variation* pattern is a free 9" (finished) block pattern that can be used for any project. The pattern includes full step by step instructions to complete the block, and a colouring sheet to help you plan your block prior to piecing.

Please read all instructions carefully before proceeding with this project. A 1/4" seam allowance has been added to all measurements.

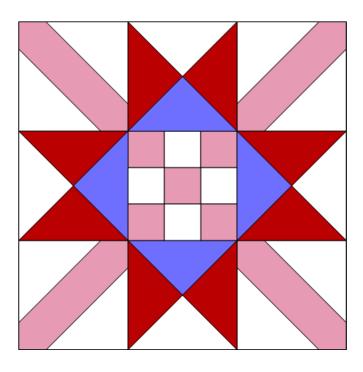
The **Ohio Star - Variation** is designed to be a scrappy block project and small amounts of fabric are required to complete each block. The largest cut is  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ".

The block is constructed using traditional piecing methods, and the *stitch and flip* method to help with accuracy, making it quick, easy and fun!

### Let's Get Started:

#### Constructing Your 9" Ohio Star - Variation Block:

1. Print the **Ohio Star - Variation Colouring Sheet** and plan the placement of your chosen fabrics or colours.



#### **Cutting Requirements:**

From white fabric cut:

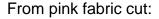
- 1 x 4 ½" square cut diagonally twice to yield 4 triangles (A)
- 8 x 2 3/4" squares (B)
- 4 x 1 ½" squares (C)

From red fabric cut:

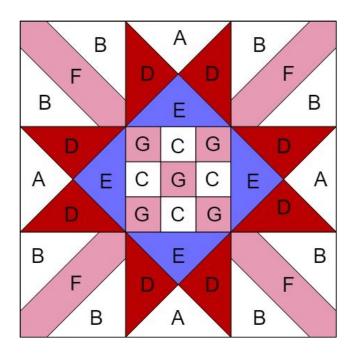
2 x 4 ½" squares cut diagonally twice to yield 8 triangles (D)

From blue fabric cut:

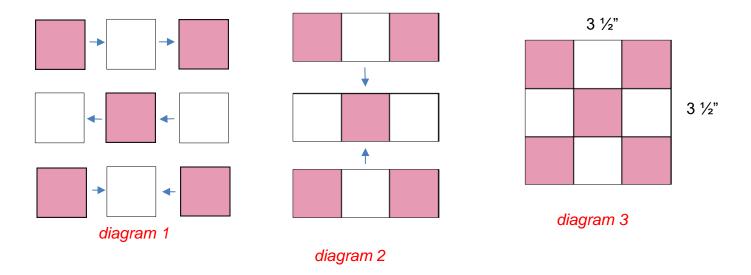
 1 x 4 ½" square cut diagonally twice to yield 4 triangles (E)



- 4 x 3 ½" squares **(F)**
- 5 x 1 ½" squares (G)

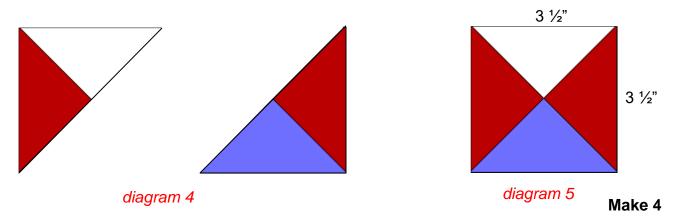


2. Beginning with the centre nine patch square, arrange the four white **(C)** and five pink **(G)** squares into three rows of three squares (diagram 1). Sew the squares together into the three rows, pressing seams towards the pink squares. (diagram 2) Sew the three rows together to complete the centre nine patch square which should measure 3 ½" square. (diagram 3)

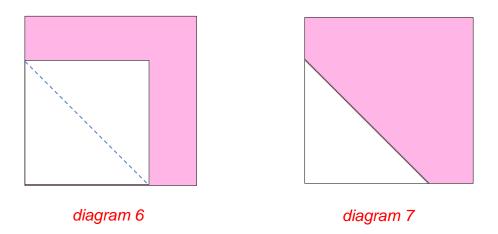


3. To make the <u>one</u> QST, sew a red (D) triangle to the right short side of one white (A) triangle. Sew a red (D) triangle to the right short side of one blue (E) triangle. Press seams towards the red triangles. (diagram 4) Carefully matching the centre seam, sew the two

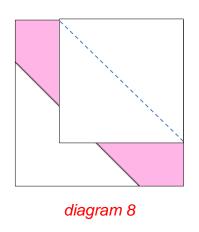
units together, pressing the seam open. Trim the QST to  $3\frac{1}{2}$  square using your seams and the lines on your ruler to trim accurately. (diagram 5)

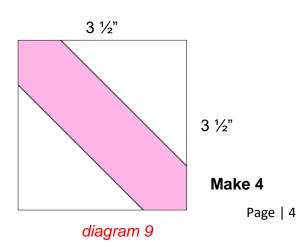


- 4. Repeat **step 3** for the remaining **three** QST's required for this block.
- 5. To make <u>one</u> corner square, draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of two of the white **(B)** squares, from corner to corner. Position one white **(B)** square on the bottom left corner of the pink **(F)** square, right sides together, ensuring the raw edges are aligned and the sewing line is in the correct orientation. *(diagram 6)* Sew across the drawn line, trim 1/4" from the sewing line to remove excess and press towards the white fabric. *(diagram 7)*

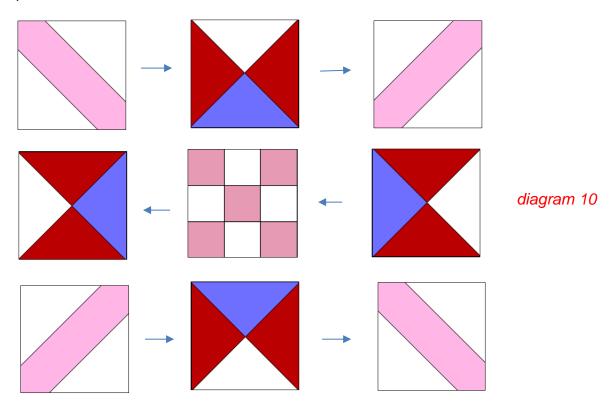


6. Position the remaining white **(B)** square on the top right corner of the same pink **(F)** square, right sides together, ensuring the raw edges are aligned and the sewing line is in the correct orientation *(diagram 8)*. Sew across the drawn line, trim ½" from the sewing line to remove excess and press towards the white fabric to complete one corner square which should measure 3½" square. *(diagram 9)* 

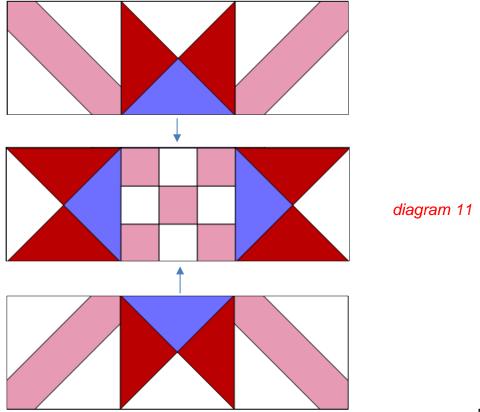




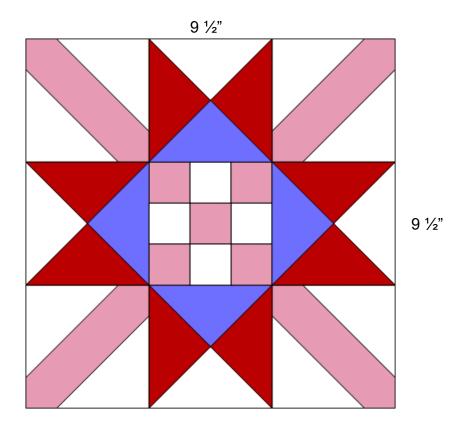
- 7. Repeat **steps 5 and 6** for the remaining **three** corner squares required for this block.
- 8. Arrange your completed squares into three rows, using *(diagram 10)* for correct orientation of all squares:



9. Sew the squares together into three rows, pressing seams in alternate directions for nesting (diagram 11):



10. Carefully matching all seams, sew the three rows together, pressing seams open, to complete your *Ohio Star – Variation* block which should measure 9 ½" square.



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Thank you!

## Colouring Sheet:

A colouring sheet has been provided to help you plan the placement of your fabrics and colours prior to sewing. Happy planning  $\odot$ 

