

Feathered Star Traditional Setting 20" block

## The New Feathered Star Workshop Supply List

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Explore the fun of making the classic Feathered Star faster and more easily using Quick-Strip Paper Piecing for the feathers. Choose the Traditional Setting, left, or set the block on the octagon point, right, for the "New Feathered Star" option.



The New Feathered Star Set on octagon point, 22" block

#### Supplies:

Rotary cutter, mat and ruler

Sewing machine, with extension worktable (recommended); size 80 or 90 needles for paper piecing

Open-toe (satin stitch) foot or clear plastic foot, plus regular foot for 1/4" seams

Neutral sewing thread to blend with your fabrics

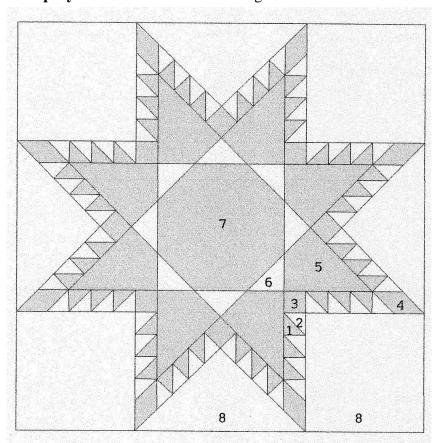
Fabric scissors and paper scissors, pins, seam ripper and other basic sewing supplies

Paper grocery bag for your trash and trimmings

Iron and ironing board or surface (optional, these can be shared)

Optional: Template plastic, at least 6 ½" square or larger to fussy cut kite shapes or octagon center if desired

## Recommended: Precut fabrics (see chart on page 2) before coming to class to allow for more sewing time. Spray starch fabrics before cutting for best results.



#### **Fabrics:**

**Background:** 3/4 yard total if using one fabric, divided as follows:

#2 Feather background triangles: 3/8 yard #8 Setting triangles and squares: 3/8 yard

**Feathers:** #1, #3, and #4: 3/8 yard

(If making #3 and #4 different fabric from feather triangles: one 2" strip for #3 and/or #4)

**Kite shaped star points #5:** 1/4 yard *or* extra fabric if fussy-cutting, enough for 8 repeats

Center triangles #6: 1/8 yard

**Center octagon (or square):** one 6 ½" square *or* extra fabric for piecing or fussy-cutting center

**Optional:** corner wedge shapes for the New Feathered Star octagon-on-point setting (above, top

right): 1/4 yard

# TO ALLOW FOR MORE SEWING TIME, SEE CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2

"Traditional" setting option above, and photo at top of page, left. See photo at top of page on right for "New Feathered Star" setting option.

## Fabric Cutting Chart

The Chart below lists strips and pieces to cut from the yardage listed on page 1 of the Supply List. It is not mandatory to pre-cut, but you will have more sewing time in class and a better chance of finishing your block that day. If you are unsure of fabrics, bring along extra fabrics for more options.

BE SURE TO BRING ALONG ALL REMAINING FABRIC AFTER CUTTING FROM RECOMMENDED YARDAGE TO ALLOW FOR ANY EXTRA THAT MIGHT BE NEEDED!!! Fabric varies in width, and mistakes can be made, so you need a bit extra for insurance!

For ease of piecing, <u>spray starch all fabric before cutting</u>. This helps stabilize the fabric and prevent stretching and distortion.

Note: All strips are cut from selvage to selvage and measure about 40" long. #Numbers below correspond to block illustration and fabric chart on page 1.

### **Background Fabric:** (3/4 yard)

#2 Feather background triangles: cut 3 or 4 strips 2".

#8 **Traditional Setting option:** Cut one 10" square background fabric and cut on both diagonals for 4 side triangles. Cut 4 squares 6 1/2" of background fabric for corner squares.

#8 **New Feathered Star Setting option:** (See photo above right on page 1): For both side and corner setting triangles cut two 10" squares of background fabric and cut on both diagonals for 8 triangles.

### Feather Fabric: (3/8 yard)

#1 Feather triangles: Cut 3 strips 2".

#3 and #4 small squares and diamonds: Cut 1 strip 2" from feather fabric or other fabric of your choice. If you choose to make #3 and #4 from two different fabrics, cut one-half strip 2" for each area.

#5 Kite-Shaped Star Points: (1/4 yard or more) Cut 1 strip 5 1/8" then cut 4 squares 5 1/8". Fussy cut option: Cut 8 in class by making a plastic template from the kite pattern provided in class.

## #6 Triangles around center octagon: (1/8 yard)

<u>If center #7 is made from a square:</u> Cut 4 squares 2 1/4" for triangles on center octagon corners (or omit triangles and leave center as a square if you choose).

Cut 2 squares 2 5/8" and cut on one diagonal for the four triangles outside the center octagon square. *If center #7 is cut from octagon template:* Cut 4 squares 2 5/8" and cut squares on one diagonal for 8 triangles.

#7 Center Octagon options: Cut one 6 1/2" square. Leave square as is for a center square look, or add triangles (above) to make it into an octagon, as shown in photos and illustration on page 1. Other options: Use template in class to fussy-cut octagon center, or bring any 6" block for center.

<u>New Feathered Star Setting Wedges, to set on octagon point</u> (See photo top right on page 1; these are the dark red wedges in the outer corners of the block): Cut two strips 4" x 40" (width of fabric).