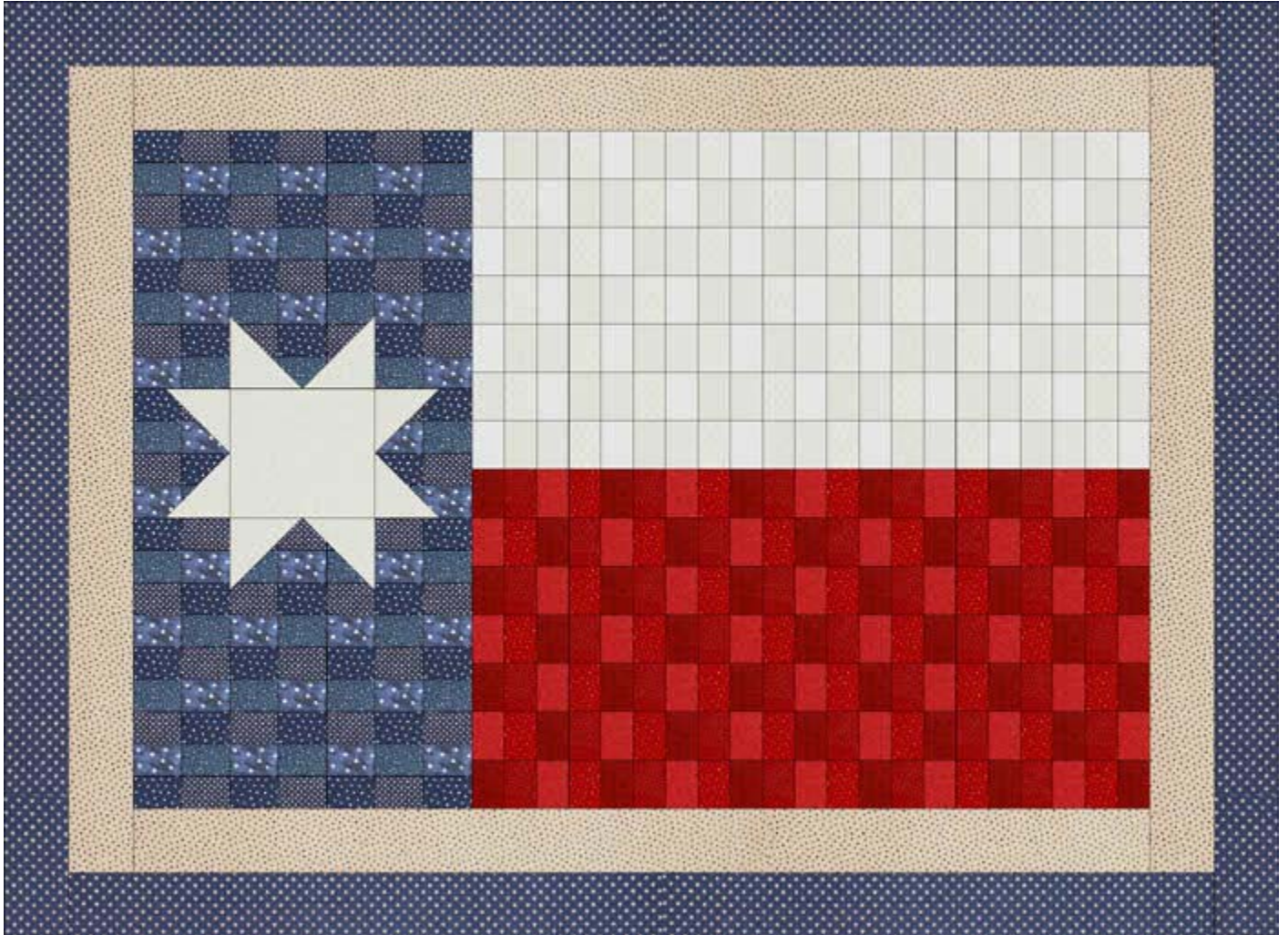


Texas Flag Lap Size Quilt Top Pattern

SIZE
79" x 59"



Choosing your fabrics

This quilt requires several different red, white and blue fabrics to create the “patchwork” effect. Decide what shades of the colors you want for your quilt. Bright colors and white will create a very bold quilt, whereas brick reds and/or burgundy shades, dark blues and/or grayish blues along with off-white or tan will create more of an old fashioned look. When choosing colors, prints will work the best and make for a more interesting pattern. Your border fabrics can be fabrics that are already included in the quilt or they can be different fabrics. Listed below are fabric and supplies needed.

- You need 4 different red fabrics: 3/8 yd. of each
- You need 4 different white or off-white fabrics: 3/8 yd. of 3 whites, 2/3 yd. of 1 white
- You need 4 different blue fabrics: 3/8 yd. of each
- Fabric for your first border: 1 yd.
- Fabric for your second border: 1 yd.
- Coordinating color thread, Pins, Iron and an ironing board
- Cutting mat, rotary cutter, and a ruler **-OR-** a ruler, pencil, and scissors
- Finishing supplies (backing, batting, and binding)

Cutting the Pieces

- Use a ruler and a rotary cutter, or a ruler to draw straight lines with a pencil, then scissors to cut with to ensure straight and even cuts. Cut all strips selvage to selvage.
- Get a blank piece of paper so you can staple a small piece of each fabric to it and mark the letter label next to it. Label the different reds A, B, C, and D. It does not matter which red gets which letter. Label the whites or off-whites E, F, G, and H. It does not matter which white gets which letter, except for the white that is a larger cut of fabric. Label this white F. Label the blues I, J, K, and L. Label the first border O and the second border P. While sewing and following the directions you can refer back to these pieces to help you remember what the different fabrics are labeled.
- Start with the red fabric.
 - Cut these same pieces for both red fabrics A and C:
Cut 4 strips 2 ½” wide. Set 3 of the 4 strips aside. Cut the remaining strip in half. Set one half aside. Cut the length of the other half into 3 ½” pieces, so you have rectangles that are 2 ½” x 3 ½”.
 - Cut these same pieces for both red fabrics B and D:
Cut 4 strips 2 ½” wide. Set 3 of the 4 strips aside. Cut the remaining strip in half.
- Next cut the white or off-white fabrics.
 - Cut these same pieces for both white fabrics E and G:
Cut 4 strips 2 ½” wide. Set 3 of the 4 strips aside. Cut the remaining strip in half. Set one half aside. Cut the length of the other half into 3 ½” pieces, so you have rectangles that are 2 ½” x 3 ½”.
 - Cut these same pieces for both white fabrics F and H:
Cut 4 strips 2 ½” wide. Set 3 of the 4 strips aside. Cut the remaining strip in half.

-Use the remaining white fabric F to cut these next pieces:

Cut 1 strip 5" wide. Cut the length of this strip into 5" pieces, so you have squares that are 5" x 5". Label these pieces N.

Cut 1 strip 4 ½" wide. Cut the length of this strip into 4 ½" pieces, so you have squares that are 4 ½" x 4 ½". Label these pieces M.

- Next cut the blue fabrics.

-Cut these same pieces for both blue fabrics I and K:

Cut 4 strips 2 ½" wide. Set 3 of the 4 strips aside. Cut the length of the remaining strip into 3 ½" pieces, so you have rectangles that are 2 ½" x 3 ½".

-Cut these same pieces for both blue fabrics J and L:

Cut 3 strips 2 ½" wide.

- Cutting the first border: Cut 6 strips 4 ½" wide. Cut 2 of the strips in half.
- Cutting the second border: Cut 7 strips 4 ¼" wide. Cut 1 of the strips in half.

Texas Flag Quilt Top Kit

Instructions

Finished size of the quilt top will be approximately 79" x 59"

Sewing and seam allowances

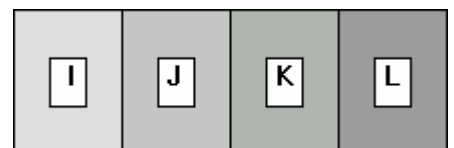
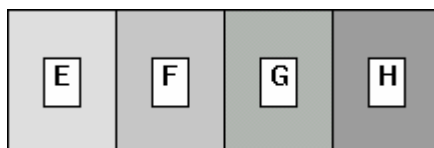
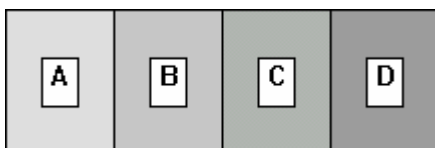
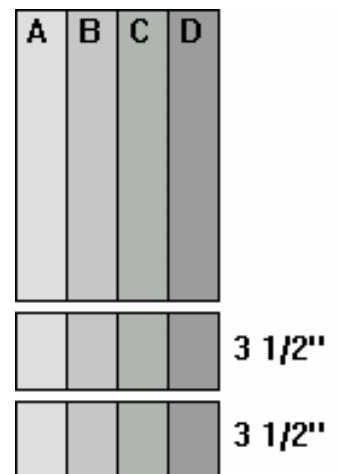
Sew an accurate and consistent $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance throughout the quilt. To make this easier, use a presser foot with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " edge so you can line up the edges of the fabric with the side of the presser foot. You may also use a magnetic seam guide placed on the metal plate under the presser foot to help guide the fabric. When sewing use a small stitch, at least 14 to 15 stitches per inch. This way you do not need to backstitch.

Pressing

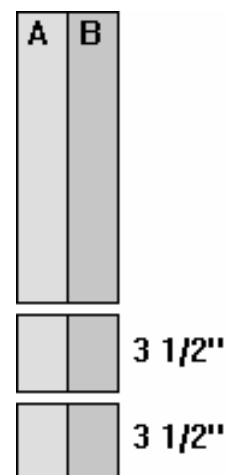
Strips or pairs are sewn right sides together. Before opening, lay the strips flat and lightly press to set the seam. Then open and press seam allowances to one side. Make sure there are no folds at the seam line. Turn over and press the reverse side and check that the seam allowances are pressed in the right direction.

Getting Started

1. The fabrics labeled A through L, there are long strips, some have short strips, and some also have $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces. When beginning to sew, leave the sticker letter labels on at least one piece of the fabric it goes to. In step #3 you will be moving them to a smaller piece.
2. Start with the long red strips labeled A, B, C, and D. Sew strip A to strip B right sides together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowance toward strip A. Sew strip C to the long open edge of strip B, right sides together. Press seam allowance toward strip B. Sew strip D to the long open edge of strip C, right sides together. Press seam allowance toward strip C. When done, this should look similar to the figure to the left. All seam allowances should be pressed in the same direction. Cut the length of this finished piece into $3\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces. Use a ruler and marking pen or a rotary cutter to ensure straight and even cuts. Stack and set these pieces aside. Repeat with the other 2 sets of long red strips. Repeat with the 3 sets of long white strips E, F, G, and H, keeping them in that order and pressing seam allowances toward fabric E. Cut, stack, and set aside. Repeat with only 2 of the sets of long blue strips I, J, K, and L, keeping them in that order and pressing seam allowances toward fabric I. Cut, stack, and set aside.
3. Take one of the red ABCD $3\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces. Take the sticker letter labels off of the stacks of red fabric and stick them on the coordinating fabrics on this ABCD piece, as pictured below. Repeat with a white EFGH $3\frac{1}{2}$ " piece. Repeat with a blue IJKL $3\frac{1}{2}$ " piece. You may not need these pieces to complete the quilt top. Set these pieces aside and use them while sewing and following the directions so you can refer back to these pieces to help you remember what the different fabrics are labeled.



4. Take the short red strips A and B. Sew strip A to strip B right sides together along one of the long sides. Press seam allowance toward fabric A. Cut the length of this finished piece into 3 1/2" pieces. Stack and set these pieces aside. Repeat with the short red strips C and D, pressing seam allowance toward fabric C. Cut, stack, and set aside. Repeat with the short white strips E and F, pressing seam allowance toward fabric E. Cut, stack, and set aside. Repeat with the short white strips G and H, pressing seam allowance toward fabric G. Cut, stack, and set aside. Repeat with the remaining long blue strips I and J, pressing seam allowance toward fabric I. Cut, stack, and set aside. Repeat with the remaining long blue strips K and L, pressing seam allowance toward fabric K. Cut, stack, and set aside.



Assembling The Rows

5. Sew 5 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together, connecting the end of one piece (fabric D) to the beginning of the next piece (fabric A). You should have one long row 20 pieces long. The edge with fabric A will be referred to as the beginning of the row. The edge with fabric D will be referred to as the end of the row. Press seam allowances in the same direction of the ones that are already pressed. Sew one of the small 2.5" x 3.5" pieces of red fabric A to the END of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowance in the same direction. Your finished row should be 21 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. To keep track of which row this is, pin a small piece of paper labeled #8 to this row. You should put the label on the beginning of the row so you can also keep track of which direction the row will go when putting them together. Repeat this procedure 3 more times and label them rows #10, #12, and #14.



6. Sew 5 of the white EFGH pieces along the short edges, right sides together, connecting the end of one piece (fabric H) to the beginning of the next piece (fabric E). You should have one long row 20 pieces long. The edge with fabric E will be referred to as the beginning of the row. The edge with fabric H will be referred to as the end of the row. Press seam allowances in the same direction of the ones that are already pressed. Sew one of the small 2.5" x 3.5" pieces of white fabric E to the END of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowance in the same direction. Your finished row should be 21 pieces long, and look similar to the figure below. Repeat this procedure 3 more times and label the rows #1, #3, #5, and #7.



7. Sew 4 of the red ABCD pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Sew one of the AB pieces to the END of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction. Sew one of the small pieces of red fabric C to the END of the row, right sides together. Press the seam allowances in the same direction. Sew one of the CD pieces to the BEGINNING of the row, right sides together and pressing seam allowances the same direction. Your finished row should be 21 pieces long and look similar to the figure below. Repeat 2 more times and label these rows #9, #11, and #13.



8. Sew 4 of the white EFGH pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction as the other ones. Sew one of the EF pieces to the END of the row, right sides together. Press seam allowances in the same direction. Sew one of the small pieces of white fabric G to the END of the row, right sides together. Press the seam allowances in the same direction. Sew one of the GH pieces to the BEGINNING of the row, right sides together and pressing seam allowances the same direction. Your finished row should be 21 pieces long and look similar to the figure below. Repeat 2 more times and label these rows #2, #4, and #6.



9. Lay out the red and white rows by number on a large table or the floor, right sides up. There should be all the white rows together on the upper portion and all the red rows together on the lower portion. Fold row #1 down over row #2, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #1. Fold row #3 down over row #4, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #3. Fold row #5 over row #6, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #5. Fold row #7 over row #8, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #7. Fold row #9 over row #10, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #9. Fold row #11 over row #12, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #11. Fold row #13 over row #14, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #13.
10. Lay out the rows by number again. Fold the row 1 & 2 piece over the 3 & 4 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance the same direction as the others. Fold the 5 & 6 piece over the 7 & 8 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 9 & 10 piece over the 11 & 12 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance.
11. Lay out the rows by number again. Fold the 1, 2, 3, 4 piece over the 5, 6, 7, 8 piece, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 9, 10, 11, 12 piece over the 13 & 14 piece, right sides together, matching the top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance.
12. Lay out the 2 big pieces by number again. Fold the 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 piece over the 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 piece, right sides together, matching the top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance. Set this large piece aside for now, but save the row labels to use on the blue pieces.
13. Take 1 white EFGH piece and label it #10. Take another white EFGH piece and label it #12.
14. Sew one of the white GH pieces to one of the white EF pieces, right sides together, so it looks like the picture below. Label this piece #11.



15. Take 1 blue IJKL piece and label it #3. Take another blue IJKL piece and label it #19.

16. Sew one of the blue KL pieces to one of the blue IJ pieces, right sides together, so it looks like the picture below. Label this piece #4. Repeat, and label that piece #18.



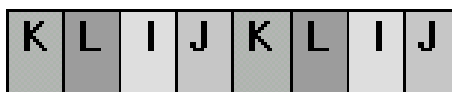
17. Sew 2 of the blue IJKL pieces along the short edges, right sides together. Press seam allowance in the same direction as the other ones. These rows should be 8 pieces long and look similar to the picture below. Repeat 7 more times so you have a total of 8 of these pieces. Label 4 of them #1, #7, #9, and #17. Use the remaining 4 pieces in the next step.



18. Sew a small piece of blue fabric I to the END of each of these 4 remaining rows, as pictured below. Label these 4 rows #5, #13, #15 and #21.



19. Take 1 blue IJKL piece and sew a KL piece to the BEGINNING of the row. Now sew an IJ piece to the END of the row. Repeat 5 more times so you have 6 of the pieces pictured below. Label 3 of them #2, #8, and #16. Use the remaining 3 pieces in the next step.



20. Sew a small piece of blue fabric K to the END of each of these 3 remaining rows, as pictured below. Label these rows #6, #14, and #20.



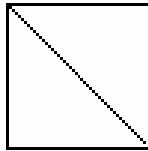
21. Lay out these 21 pieces as pictured below.

Row 1	Row 3	Row 5
Row 2	Row 4	Row 6
Row 7	Row 10	Row 13
Row 8	Row 11	Row 14
Row 9	Row 12	Row 15
Row 16	Row 18	Row 20
Row 17	Row 19	Row 21

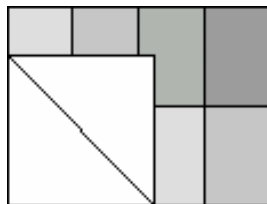
22. Fold row #1 down over row #2, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #1. Fold row #3 down over row #4, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #3. Fold row #5 over row #6, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #5. Fold row #7 over row #8, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #7. Fold row #10 over row #11, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #10. Fold row #13 over row #14, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #13. Fold row #16 over row #17, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #16. Fold row #18 over row #19, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #18. Fold row #20 over row #21, right sides together, matching edges. Sew along the long top edge, and press seam allowance toward row #20.

23. Lay out the rows again. Fold the row 7 & 8 piece over row #9, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance the same direction as the others. Fold the 10 & 11 piece over row #12, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 13 & 14 piece over row #15, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the long top edge. Press seam allowance. Lay out the rows again.

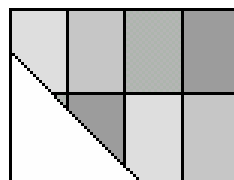
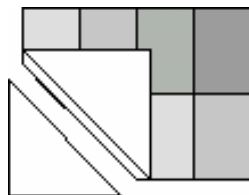
24. Take the white pieces M & N. The N squares are slightly bigger than the M squares. Using a ruler and pencil, draw a light line diagonally from one corner to the other. Be sure to do this on the wrong side of the fabric.



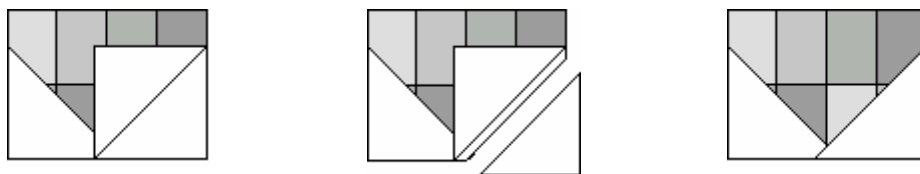
25. Take the row 3&4 piece and lay it face up on the table. Now place one of the fabric M squares face down on it matching it to the lower left corner. Position your pencil mark so it looks like the picture below. The square will slightly overlap the middle seam on the 3&4 piece. Pin the 2 pieces together. Sew along your pencil mark.



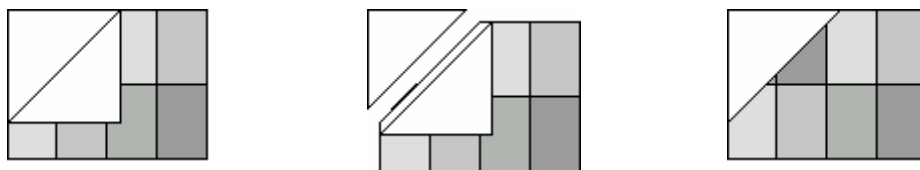
26. Now trim the corner of the square (cutting through both layers) to approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the seam line. Fold up triangle section (fabric M) and press.



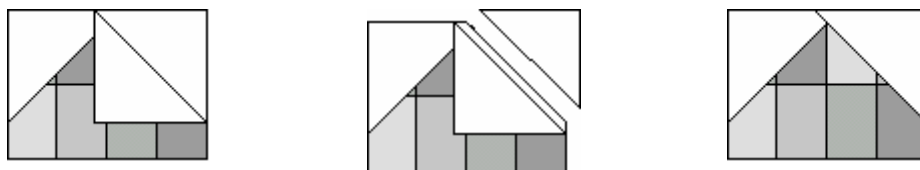
- 27.** Do this same exact process with the lower right corner of the piece. This square will also overlap the seam and the corner of the first triangle. After done, set this piece back lined up with the other rows.



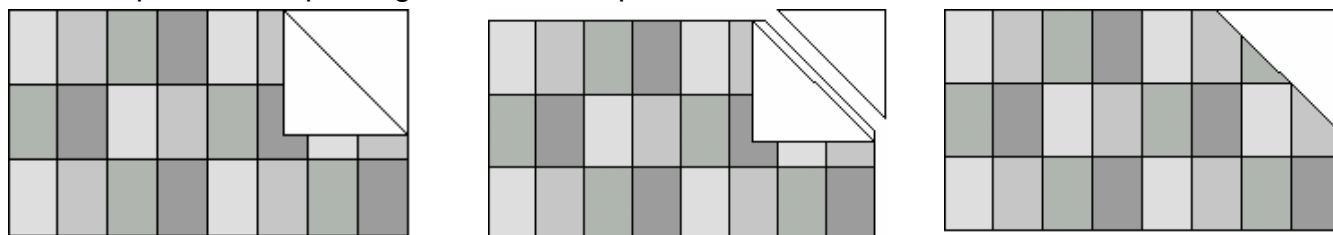
- 28.** Now take the row 18&19 piece and lay it face up on the table. Place one of the fabric M squares face down on it matching it to the upper left corner. Position your pencil mark so it looks like the picture below. The square will slightly overlap the middle seam. Pin the 2 pieces together. Sew along your pencil mark. Now trim the corner of the square (cutting through both layers) to approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the seam line. Fold up triangle section (fabric M) and press.



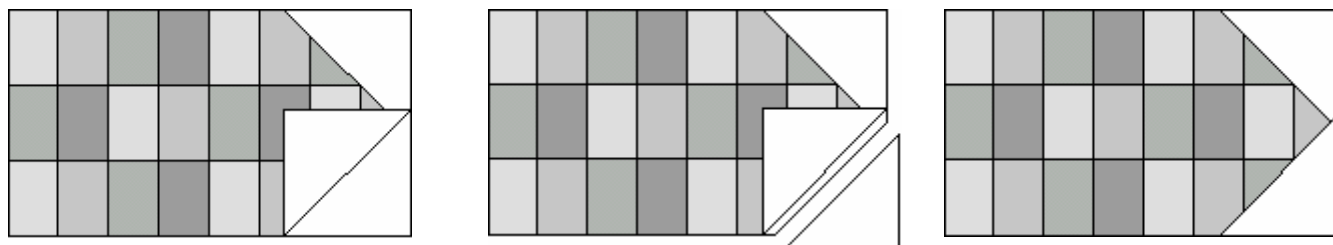
- 29.** Do this same exact process with the upper right corner of the piece. This square will also overlap the seam and the corner of the first triangle. After done, set this piece back lined up with the other rows.



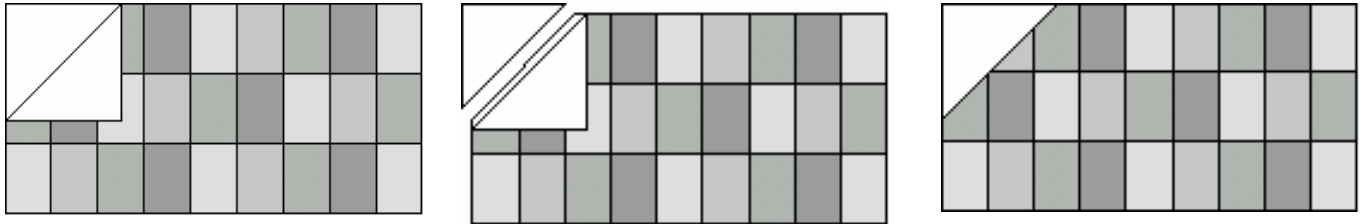
- 30.** Take the 7,8,9 piece and lay it face up on the table. Now place one of the fabric N squares face down on it matching it to the upper right corner. Position your pencil mark so it looks like the picture below. Pin the 2 pieces together. Sew along your pencil mark. Trim the corner of the square. Fold up triangle section and press.



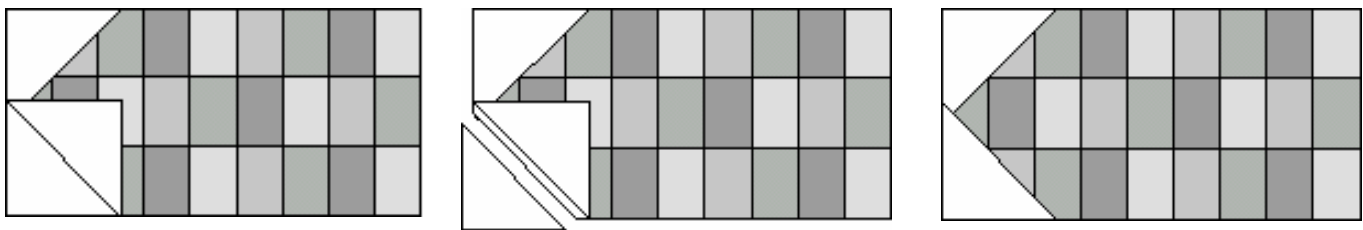
- 31.** Do this same process with the lower right corner of the piece. After done, set this piece back lined up with the other rows.



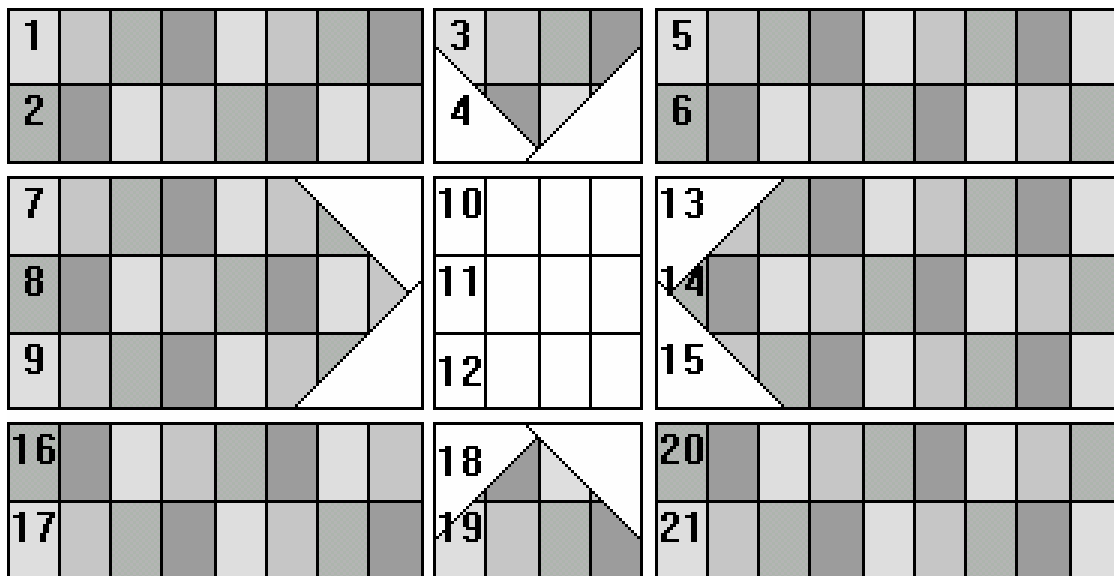
32. Take the 13,14,15 piece and lay it face up on the table. Now place one of the fabric N squares face down on it matching it to the upper left corner. Position your pencil mark so it looks like the picture below. Pin the 2 pieces together. Sew along your pencil mark. Trim the corner of the square Fold up triangle section and press.



33. Do this same process with the lower left corner of the piece. After done, set this piece back lined up with the other rows.

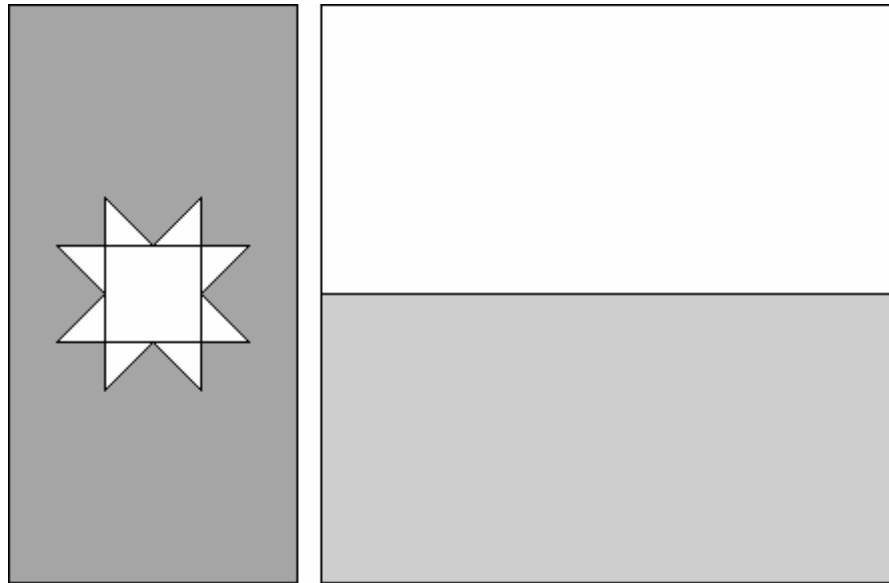


34. After all the pieces are laid out again, it should look like the picture below.



35. Fold the row 1 & 2 piece over the 7,8,9 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance the same direction as the others. Fold the 3 & 4 piece over the 10,11,12 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 5 & 6 piece over the 13,14,15 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance. Lay out the rows again.

- 36.** Fold the 1,2,7,8,9 piece over the 16 & 17 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance the same direction as the others. Fold the 3,4,10,11,12 piece over the 18 & 19 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the 5,6,13,14,15 piece over the 20 & 21 piece, right sides together, matching top edge. Sew along the top edge. Press seam allowance.
- 37.** Fold the far right large piece over onto the middle piece, matching the right edge. Sew along the right edge. Press seam allowance. Fold the far left piece onto the other side of the middle piece, matching the left edge. Sew along the left edge. Press seam allowance.
- 38.** Now lay out the blue piece with the red and white piece as pictured below. Fold the red and white piece over the blue piece, right sides together and matching right edge. Sew along the right edge. Press seam allowance.



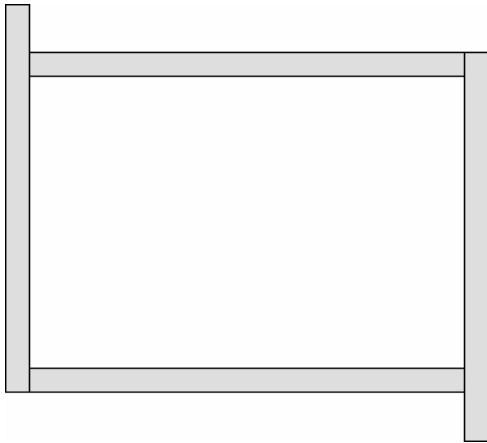
SEWING THE BORDERS

- 39.** Take border fabric O. Sew together 1 long piece and 1 short piece right sides together to make one long piece as shown below. Press seam to one side. Repeat three more times with the remaining border fabric O, so you have a total of 4 of these pieces.



- 40.** Sew the border O to the flag right sides together as shown, along the top and bottom edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.
- 41.** Trim the excess border fabric to make it straight and even with the edge of the flag.





42. Sew the border O to the flag right sides together as shown, along the side edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.

43. Trim the excess border fabric to make the edge straight and even.

44. Take border fabric P. Sew together 2 long pieces, right sides together, to make one very long piece as shown below. Repeat, so you have a total of 2 of these pieces.



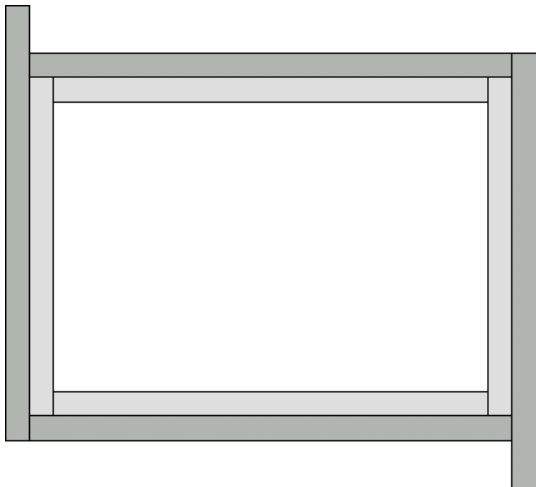
45. Sew these pieces to the flag right sides together as shown, along the top and bottom edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.

46. Trim the excess border fabric to make the edge straight and even.



47. Sew together 1 long piece and 1 short piece of border fabric P, right sides together, to make one long piece as shown. Press seam to one side. Repeat so you have a total of 2 of these pieces.





48. Sew these pieces to the flag right sides together as shown, along the side edges. Press seam allowance toward the border.
49. Trim the excess border fabric to make the edge straight and even. Your finished quilt top will measure approximately 79" x 59".

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