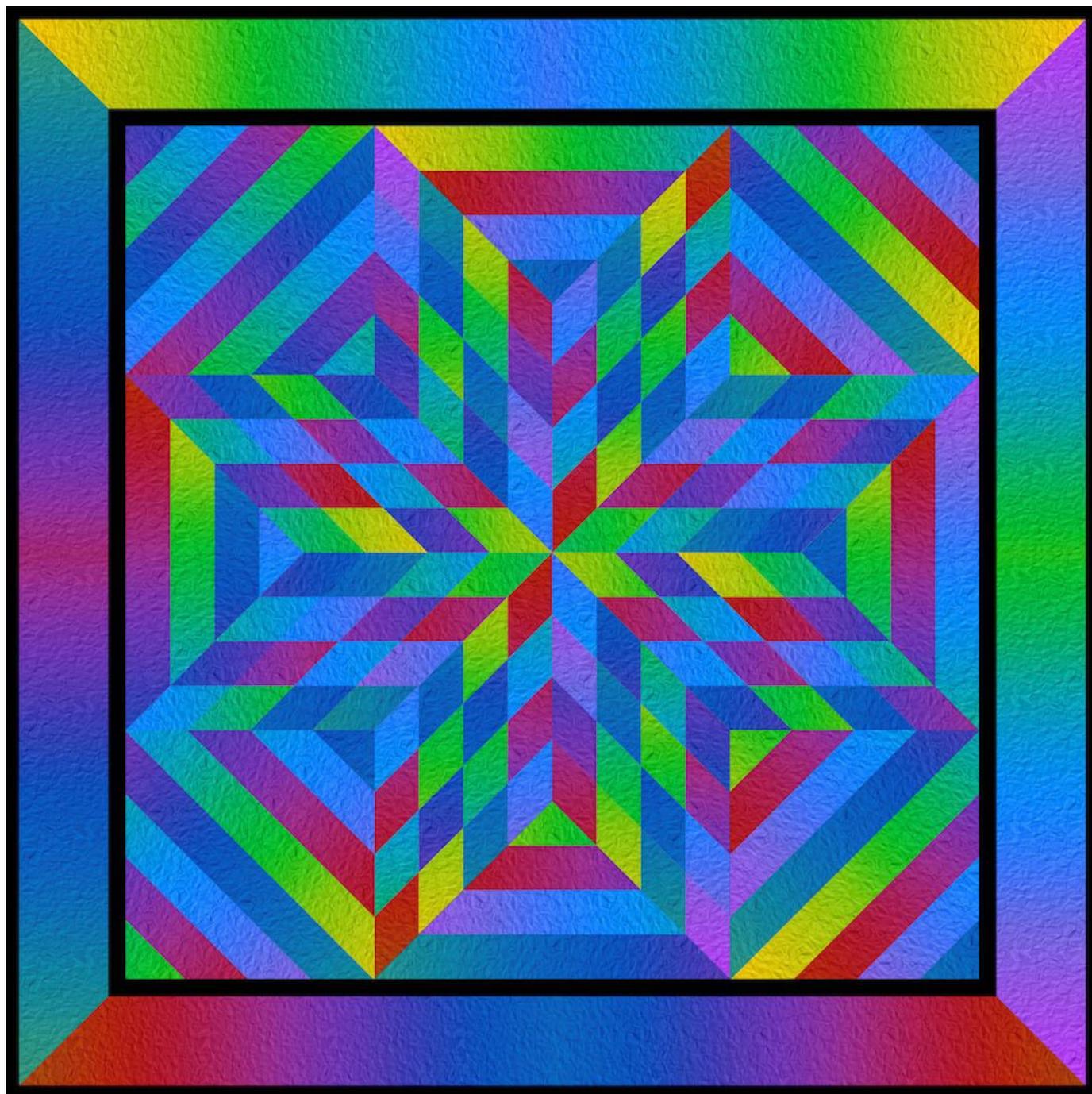


Ombre Lone Star

Quilt Designed by eQuilter



61" x 61"

*Please read all instructions before beginning. Prewash recommended for black solid.
Color placement will differ from quilt to quilt due to the unique shading of the ombre fabrics.*

Yardages and Cutting

WOF is 42" width of fabric from selvage edge to selvage edge.

Remove as little fabric as possible when squaring strip ends and trimming selvages.

*Apply a heavy coat of spray starch or spray stabilizer to the 2 ombre fabrics and press dry **BEFORE** cutting.*

2 1/4 yards each of 2 different ombre fabrics

From each ombre, cut the following:

- 16 strips 3" x WOF.
- 4 strips 5 1/2" x WOF for borders.

1 1/8 yards black solid

- 5 strips 1 1/2" x WOF for inner border.
- 7 strips 1" x WOF for outer border.
- 7 strips 2 1/4" x WOF for binding.

4 1/2 yards of 42" backing fabric

- 2 strips 77" x WOF OR

OR

2 1/4 yards wide backing fabric

- 1 piece 77" x 77"

Batting

- 1 piece 77" x 77"

Piecing the Star Center

Use a 1/4" seam allowance for all stitching. Press seams as directed. Handle all segments and completed units carefully to avoid stretching bias edges.

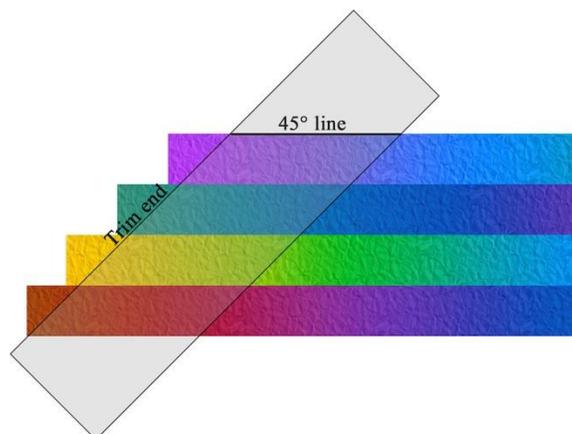
1. Sew (2) 3" strips of each ombre together along length to make an A strip set, offsetting the top 3 strips 2 1/2" at the left end as shown. Press seams from top to bottom. Repeat to make a second A strip set. Repeat to make 2 B strip sets, pressing seams from bottom to top. **Note:** *Be sure to turn some strips end to end and change the order of the ombre strips to add variety to color placement in the strip sets.*



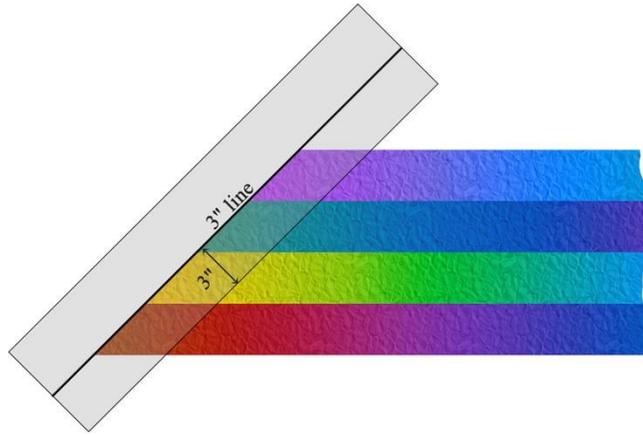
A Strip Set — Make 2 with seams pressed down

B Strip Set — Make 2 with seams pressed up

2. Trim the staggered left end of an A strip set at a 45-degree angle, placing the 45-degree angle line of a rotary ruler on the top edge of the strip set as shown. Repeat with the remaining strip sets.

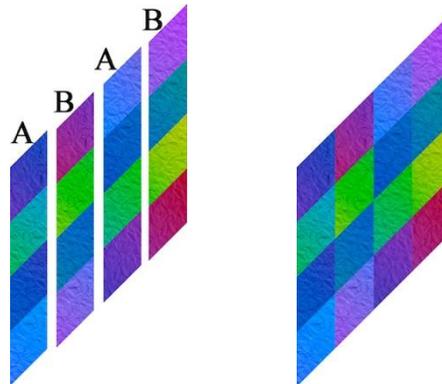


3. Referring to the diagram on the next page, place the rotary ruler on the trimmed edge of an A strip set and crosscut (1) 3" A segment. Repeat to cut 8 or 9 A segments from each A strip set to total 16 A segments. Repeat to cut 8 or 9 B segments from each of the B strip sets to total 16 B segments.



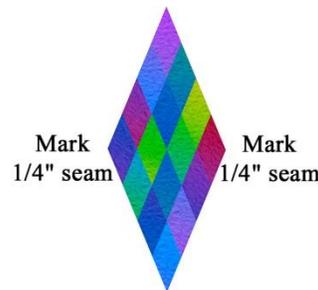
Cut 16 A segments from the A strip sets & 16 B segments from the B strip sets

4. Select 2 each A and B segments to make a star-point unit. Pin an A segment right sides together with a B segment, matching seams and offsetting the seam allowances. Stitch. Carefully press seam open. In the same way, add the second A segment and then the second B segment to complete 1 star-point unit. Repeat to make 8 star-point units.

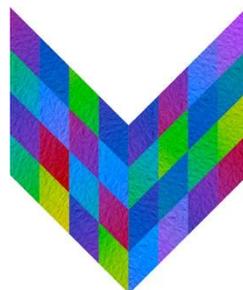


Star-Point Unit — Make 8

5. Mark the 1/4" seam allowance intersection on the wrong side of the side corners of each star-point unit.



6. Sew 2 star-point units together, beginning at the marked seam allowance at the side corners and securing stitches. Match seams along the edges and end stitching at the pointed end. Press seam open. Repeat to make 4 quarter-units.



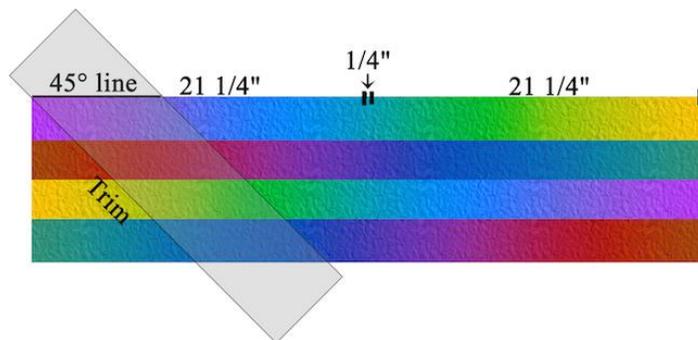
Quarter-Unit — Make 4

7. In the same manner and referring to the exploded quilt center diagram, join 2 quarter-units to make a half-star. Press seam open. Repeat to make a second half-star. Join the half-stars to complete the pieced star. Press seam open.

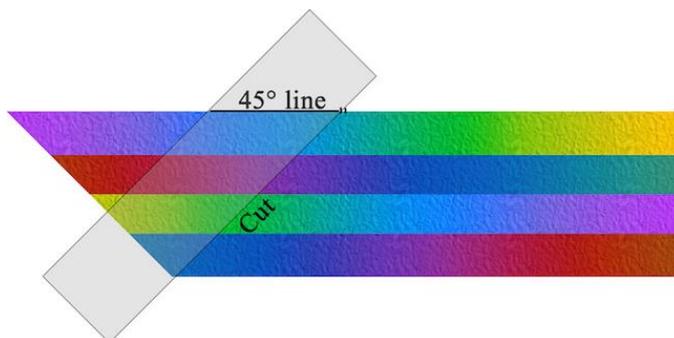
8. Stitch (2) 3" strips of each ombre alternately together along length to make a strip set. Press seams open. **Note:** Do not offset the strip ends. Repeat to make 4 strip sets.

9. Carefully square the left end of the strip sets. Beginning at the top left corner of 1 strip set, measure and mark 21 1/4", then 1/4" and then 21 1/4" across the top edge. Layer the strip sets right side up on your cutting mat with the marked set on top.

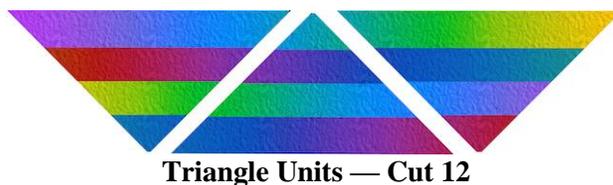
10. Place the 45-degree angle line of a rotary ruler on the top edge of the layered sets with the edge of the ruler exactly aligned with the top left corner. Trim the left end at a 45-degree angle as shown.



11. Re-align the ruler at the first 21 1/4" mark and trim at a 45-degree angle from the top edge to the bottom edge to cut 1 triangle unit from each layer. **Note:** The bottom of the triangle will have a 1/4" flat, NOT a pointed corner.



12. In the same manner, re-align the ruler at the 1/4" mark and trim from the top edge to the bottom edge to cut a second triangle unit from each layer. Re-align the ruler at the second 21 1/4" mark and trim in the same way to cut a third triangle unit from each layer to total 12 triangle units.



13. Mark the 1/4" seam allowance on the wrong side of the small bottom edge of 8 triangle units.

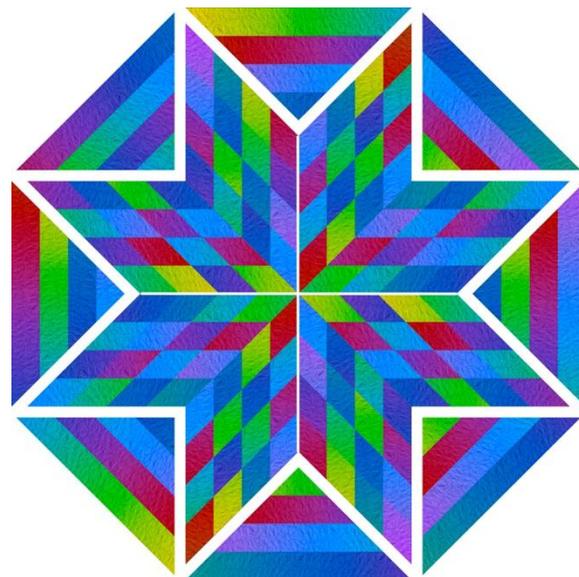
14. Sew the triangle units between the points of the pieced star all around, beginning at the marked seam allowance at the inside corner and securing stitches then sewing to the outside end of each star point. Press seams toward the triangle units.

15. Center and stitch the 4 remaining triangle units to the 4 angled edges of the pieced star to complete the 48 1/2" x 48 1/2" quilt center. Press seams toward the triangle units.

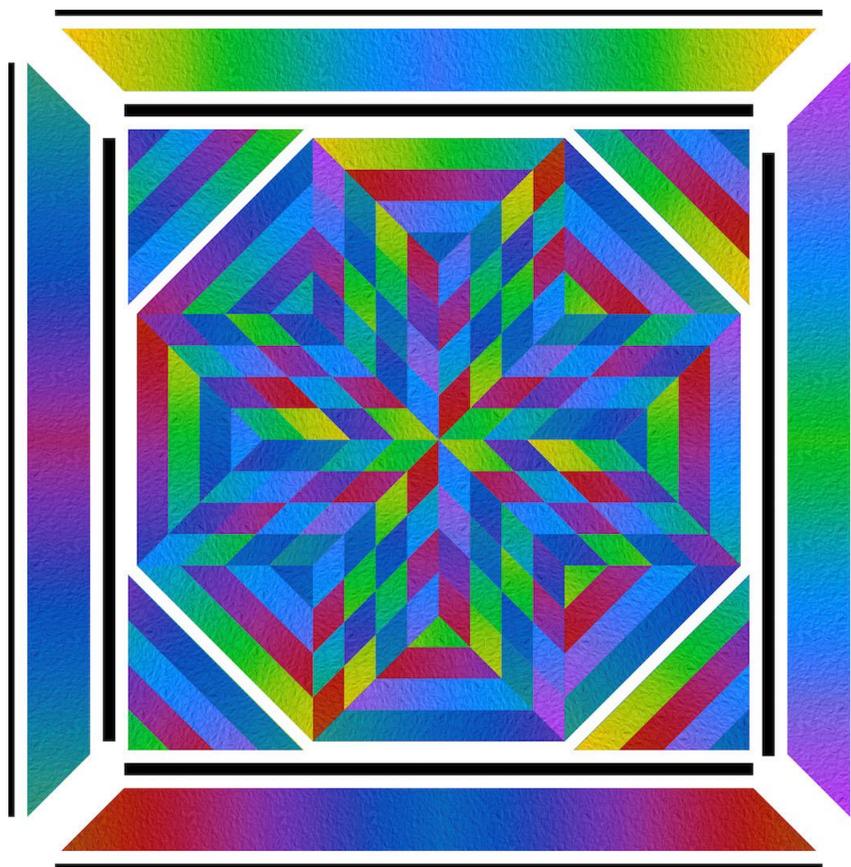
Completing the Quilt

1. Sew the 1 1/2" x WOF black strips short ends together to make a long strip. Press seams to one side. Cut into (2) 48 1/2" strips and (2) 50 1/2" strips. Stitch the shorter strips to opposite sides of the quilt center and the longer strips to the top and bottom. Press seams toward the strips.

2. Trim 2 same-ombre 5 1/2" strips to 33", removing excess from the same end of each strip. Join the strips on the matching ends to make a 65 1/2" border strip. Press seam to one side. Repeat to make 4 border strips.



Exploded Quilt Center



3. Center and sew a border strip to each side of the quilt center, beginning, ending and securing 1/4" from the corners of the quilt center. Miter corners using your favorite method, checking to be sure all corners lie flat. Trim mitered corner seams to 1/4" and press open. Press border seams toward the border strips.

4. Repeat step 1 with the 1" x WOF black strips to complete the quilt top, cutting (2) 60 1/2" strips and (2) 61 1/2" strips.

5. If using 42" backing fabric, remove the selvage edges from the backing pieces. Join the pieces on the long edges with a 1/2" seam allowance. Press seam open. Trim to make 77" x 77" backing piece.

6. Layer the quilt top with the backing and batting pieces. Quilt as desired. Trim batting and backing even with the top.

7. Join the black solid binding strips on the short ends with diagonal seams to make a long strip. Press seams in one direction. Press the strip in half along the length with wrong sides together. Bind the quilt edges using your favorite method to complete the quilt.