


## BEHIND THE QUILT

## STARRY NIGHT

"This project uses one quite simple foundation paper pieced template to create primary and secondary designs of stars and hexagons. Although there are a lot of templates to piece, the fabrics used in the templates will all be pre-cut to size, making the process much quicker and more streamlined." - Lynne Goldsworthy

## You will need

$\square$ Six (6) pale blue prints - One (1) fat quarter of each print
$\square$ Blue/cream print - 20in x WOF
Four (4) brown prints - $1 / 2 y d$ of each print
Brown/cream print $-2 / 3 y d$

- Three (3) red prints $-3 / 4 \mathrm{yd}$ of each print
$\square$ Cream branches print (blue) - 1yd
Cream branches print (brown) - lyd
$\square$ Cream background print - $11 / 4 \mathrm{yds}$
$\square$ Red check for borders - 1yd
$\square$ Red branches (for cornerstones) One (1) fat quarter
$\square$ Backing fabric $-43 / 4 y d s$
$\square$ Binding fabric -20 in $\times$ WOF
- Batting - 86in square

One-hundred (100) A and onehundred (100) B templates (see Templates at end of project)

## Fabric used

$\square$ Approx. 78in square

## Fabric used

■ "Return to Winter's Lane" by Kate and Birdie Paper Co. for Moda Fabrics www.unitednotions.com

- Batting - 279 Cotton Mix 80-20 available from wwww.ladysewandsew.co.uk
- Aurifil 50wt for piecing and 40wt for quilting from wwww.aurifil.com


## Notes

- Seam allowances are $1 / 4 i n$, unless otherwise noted.
$\square$ Press after each seam and press open, unless otherwise instructed.
$\square$ Press all fabrics well before cutting.
$\square$ WOF = width of fabric, assume a WOF of 42in.
- WOFQ = width of fat quarter, assume a WOF of 21 in .
$\square$ FPP = foundation paper piecing.
$\square$ We cut our foundation pieces with a generous margin of error - more experienced foundation piecers may prefer to cut smaller pieces.


## Cutting out

1From the pale blue fat quarters, cut as follows:
$\square$ Twenty (20) $2 ½$ in x WOFQ strips. Sub-cut into one hundred (100) $2^{1 / 2}$ in 45 -degree diamonds for section 1 on the A templates.
$\square$ Seventeen (17) 3in x WOFQ strips. Sub-cut into one hundred (100) 3 in $\times 31 / 2$ in rectangles for section 7 of the A templates.

2From the blue/cream print, cut five (5) 4 in x WOF strips. Cut into fifty (50) 4 in squares. Cut each in half on the diagonal once to make one-hundred (100) triangles for section 5 of the $A$ templates.

3From the brown fabrics, cut as follows:

- Ten (10) $2^{1 ⁄ 2}$ in x WOF strips. Subcut into one hundred (100) $21 / 2$ in 45-degree diamonds for section 1 of the B templates.
$\square$ Nine (9) 3in x WOF strips. Sub-cut into one hundred (100) 3 in $\times 31 / 2$ in rectangles for section 7 of the $B$ templates.

4From the brown/cream print, cut five (5) 4 in x WOF strips. Subcut into fifty (50) 4 in squares. Cut each in half on the diagonal once to make one-hundred (100) triangles for section 5 of the $B$ templates.

5From the red prints, cut twenty (20) $3^{1 / 2} / 2$ in $\times$ WOF strips and cut into two hundred (200) $31 / 2$ in $x$ in rectangles for section 4 of the templates.


6From the cream and blue branches print, cut as follows:
Four (4) 3in x WOF strips, subcut into fifty (50) 3 in squares. Cut each square in half on the diagonal once to make one-hundred (100) triangles for sections 2 of the A templates.
$\square$ Five (5) $31 / 2$ in x WOF strips, subcut into fifty (50) $31 / 2$ in squares. Cut each square in half on the diagonal once to make one-hundred (100) triangles for sections 3 of the A templates.

## TECHNICAL TIP

To cut 45-degree diamonds, align your ruler with the 45-degree line on your cutting mat and make one (1) cut to angle the end. Make subsequent cuts parallel to that cut, $2^{1 ⁄ 2}$ in apart (see Fig 1).

Fig 1

7From the cream and brown branches print, cut as follows: Four (4) 3in x WOF strips, subcut into fifty (50) 3in squares. Cut each square half on the diagonal once to make one-hundred (100) triangles for sections 2 of the B templates. $\square$ Five (5) $31 / 2$ in $\times$ WOF strips subcut into fifty (50) $3^{1 ⁄ 2}$ in squares. Cut each square in half on the diagonal once to make one-hundred (100) triangles for sections 3 of the B templates.

8From the cream background print, cut as follows:
$\square$ Seventeen (17) $1^{3} / 4 \mathrm{in} \mathrm{x}$ WOF strips. Cut into two hundred (200) $13 / 4$ in $\times 31 / 2$ in rectangles for section 6 on the templates.
$\square$ Seven (7) $1^{11 / 2}$ in x WOF strips. Sub-cut four (4) $51 / 2$ in lengths, then sew the remainder end-to-end. Cut into two (2) $601 / 2$ in lengths and two (2) $72^{1 ⁄ 2}$ in lengths.

9From the red check fabric, cut six (6) $51 / 2$ in $x$ WOF strips. Sew end-to-end and sub-cut into four (4) $601 / 2$ in lengths.


10From the red branches fabric, cut four (4) $5^{1 / 2}$ in cornerstone squares.

11Cut the backing fabric into two (2) equal lengths and the binding fabric into eight (8) $2 \frac{1}{2}$ in x WOF strips.


Fig 2

## Making the quilt

12Foundation paper piece all of the templates using the fabrics listed in the cutting directions. The templates indicate where the blue, brown and red fabrics are placed.
Lynne used the blue/cream and blue


Fig 3


Fig 4
branches prints on the A templates and the brown/cream and brown branches prints on the B templates (Fig 2).

13
Trim to the dashed lines on the templates and carefully remove the papers from the back.

14 Sew the triangles into pairs along the diagonal lines (Fig 3). Press the seams open for a flatter finish. Sew the pairs together to make two (2) halves of each block. Ensure brown and blue fabrics alternate (Fig 4).


15Sew the two (2) halves of each block together to finish the twenty-five (25) blocks (Fig 5). Blocks should measure $12 \frac{1}{2}$ in square.

16Sew the blocks together into five (5) rows of five (5). Sew the rows together to finish the centre of the quilt top.

17Sew the $1 \frac{1}{2}$ in x $60^{1 / 2 \text { in cream }}$ background strips to either side of the quilt top.

18 Sew the $5^{1 / 2} 2$ in $\times 60^{1 / 2}$ in red check strips to the two (2) sides of the quilt top, (Fig 6).

19Sew the $1 \frac{1}{2}$ in $\times 72^{1} / 2$ in cream background strips to the top and bottom of the quilt top.

20Sew the $1 \frac{1}{2}$ in x $5^{1 / 2}$ in cream background strips to the ends of two (2) $51 / 2$ in $\times 60^{1 / 2}$ in red check strips, then sew $51 / 2$ in red branches cornerstones to the ends of those strips (Fig 7).

21 Sew these strips to the top and bottom of the quilt top to finish.

Quilting and finishing
$22^{\text {Sew the two (2) pieces of }}$ $\geq<$ backing fabric together along the long sides using a $1 / 2$ in seam. Press the seam open.

23Make a quilt sandwich basting together the backing, batting and quilt top.

24 Quilt as desired. Lynne 24 quilted a diagonal cross-hatch of lines approx. 2 in apart using a cream Aurifil 40wt thread.

25Sew the binding strips end-toend using diagonal or straight seams as preferred. Fold and press in half, wrong sides together, along the length. Bind the quilt, taking care to mitre corners.


Fig 6


Fig 7


Select your favourite festive fabrics for this showstopping quilt -it will be the pièce de résistance for your
Christmas
decorations

## WINTER'S LANE

FOUNDATION PAPER PIECING TEMPLATES

ACTUAL SIZE
Includes seam allowances


