

# Potted Stars

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## MATERIALS

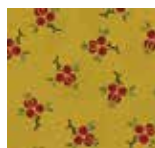
This quilt features prints from Kim Diehl's Flower Pot Prints collection for Henry Glass Fabrics. Yardages are based on a 42" width of useable fabric after prewashing and removing selvages.



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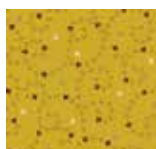
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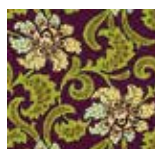
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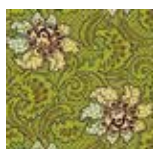
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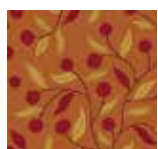
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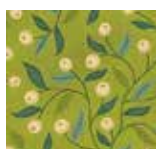
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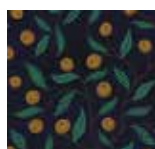
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1116-30  
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1116-66  
⅜ yard



1116-77  
1 yard



1117-90  
⅜ yard



1118-66  
⅜ yard



1118-77  
⅜ yard



1119-40  
1¼ yards



1120-40  
⅞ yard

### Additional materials:

- 3¾ yards of fabric for backing
- 67" x 67" square of batting
- Standard sewing and quilting supplies

## CUTTING

Cut all pieces across the width of the fabric in the order given unless otherwise instructed. WOF is defined as width of fabric.

### From the navy print (1116-77), cut:

6 binding strips, 2½" x WOF

Reserve the remainder of the navy print for the patchwork.

### From the 17 assorted prints and the reserved remainder of the navy print, cut a combined total of:

- 25 sets of 8 matching-print large-star point squares, 3" x 3" (combined total of 200 squares), **and** 25 sets of 2 squares, 2½" x 2½", with each set of 2 matching a set of 8 squares previously cut. Cut each 2½" square in half diagonally once to yield 2 triangles (total of 4 per print). Keep these 3" squares and 2½" triangles organized by print into 25 large-star patchwork sets.
- 25 sets of 4 matching-print large-star side-background rectangles, 3" x 5½" (combined total of 100 rectangles), **and** 25 sets of 2 squares, 3½" x 3½", with each set of 2 matching a set of 4 rectangles previously cut. Cut each 3½" square in half diagonally once to yield 2 triangles (total of 4 per print). Keep these 3" x 5½" rectangles and 3½" triangles organized by print into 25 large-star background sets.
- 25 center squares, 2½" x 2½", for the small stars in each block, **and** 25 sets of 8 small-star point squares (each set of 8 from a single coordinating print), 1½" x 1½". Organize the sets of 8 matching 1½" squares and 1 coordinating 2½" center square into 25 small-star patchwork sets.

Reserve the scraps of all assorted prints for use in the borders.

*Cutting continued on page 2*

**From the scraps of all assorted prints, for the inner and outer border patchwork, cut:**

- A combined total of 32 squares,\*  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ", for the inner border
  - A combined total of 120 squares,\*  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ", for the outer border
  - A combined total of 88 skinny rectangles,\*  $1$ " x  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ", for the outer border
  - A combined total of 88 chubby rectangles,\*  $2$ " x  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ", for the outer border
  - A combined total of 4 squares,\*  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ", for the outer border corner squares
- \* You may wish to cut a handful of extra pieces for added choices.

**From the cream thistledown print (1120-40), cut:**

- 2 strips,  $2$ " x WOF; crosscut into 100 rectangles,  $2$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ "
- 4 strips,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF; crosscut into 50 squares,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut each square in half diagonally once to yield 2 triangles (total of 100).

**From the cream tiny sprouts print (1119-40), cut:**

- 5 strips,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF; crosscut into 50 squares,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut each square in half diagonally once to yield 2 triangles (total of 100).
- 7 strips,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF; crosscut into 16 rectangles,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $10\frac{1}{2}$ ", and 4 rectangles,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $12\frac{1}{2}$ "

## PIECING the SMALL-STAR UNITS

*Sew all pieces with right sides together using a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance unless otherwise noted. Press the seam allowances as shown by the arrows or otherwise instructed.*

- 1 Referring to the quilt image on the handout cover, or choosing your own color combinations for a single block, choose one *each* of the small-star patchwork sets and the large-star patchwork sets.
- 2 Choose four cream thistledown print rectangles,  $2$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Next, from the small-star patchwork set, choose the eight matching-print  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares; use a pencil and an acrylic ruler to draw a diagonal sewing line from corner to corner on the wrong side of each of these  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " squares.
- 3 Layer a prepared  $1\frac{1}{2}$ " square onto one corner of a cream  $2$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle as shown. Stitch the pair together along the drawn diagonal line. Fold the resulting inner triangle open, aligning the corner with the corner of the cream rectangle. Trim away the layers beneath the top triangle, leaving a  $\frac{1}{4}$ "

seam allowance. In the same manner, add a mirror-image triangle to the adjacent end of the cream rectangle. Repeat to piece a total of four small-star point units measuring  $2$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ", including the seam allowances.



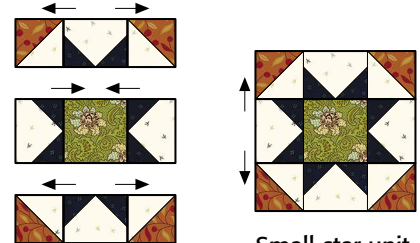
Make 4  
small-star point units,  
 $2$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".

- 4 Choose four cream thistledown-print  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " triangles. Next, from the large-star patchwork set, choose the four  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " triangles. Join a large-star print triangle and a cream triangle along the long diagonal edges. Press. Use a rotary cutter and an acrylic ruler to trim the resulting half-square-triangle unit on all sides for a finished measurement of  $2$ " x  $2$ ". Repeat to piece a total of four small-star corner units.



Make 4  
small-star corner units,  
 $2$ " x  $2$ ".

- 5 Lay out the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " center square from the small-star patchwork set, the four pieced small-star point units from step 3, and the four small-star corner units from step 4 in three horizontal rows as shown. Join the pieces in each horizontal row. Press. Join the rows. Press. The pieced small-star unit should measure  $5\frac{1}{2}$ " square, including the seam allowances.



Small-star unit,  
 $5\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{2}$ "

- 6 Repeat steps 1–5 to piece a total of 25 small-star units. Reserve the remaining pieces in each large-star patchwork set for the steps that follow.

## COMPLETING the POTTED STAR BLOCKS

- 1 Select the remainder of one reserved large-star patchwork set and one large-star background set, again using the prints shown in your chosen block or creating your own print combination.

- 2 Prepare the eight large-star 3" squares with a diagonal sewing line as previously instructed. Using the prepared 3" squares and the 3" x 5½" background rectangles, follow step 3 of "Piecing the Small-Star Units" on page 3 to piece four large-star point units measuring 3" x 5½", including the seam allowances.



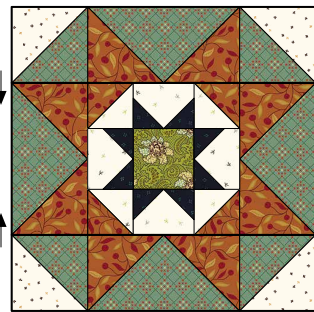
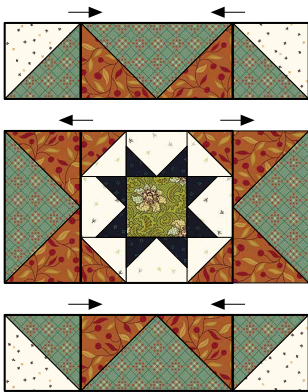
Make 4 large-star point units, 3" x 5½".

- 3 Choose four cream tiny sprouts 3½" triangles. Next, from the large-star background set, choose the four 3½" triangles. Repeat step 4 of "Piecing the Small-Star Units" on page 3 to piece four large-star corner units measuring 3" x 3", including the seam allowances.



Make 4 large-star corner units, 3" x 3".

- 4 Lay out the previously pieced small-star unit, the four pieced large-star point units from step 2, and the four large-star corner units from step 3 in three horizontal rows as shown. Join the pieces in each row. Press. Join the rows. Press. The pieced Potted Star block should measure 10½" square, including the seam allowances.

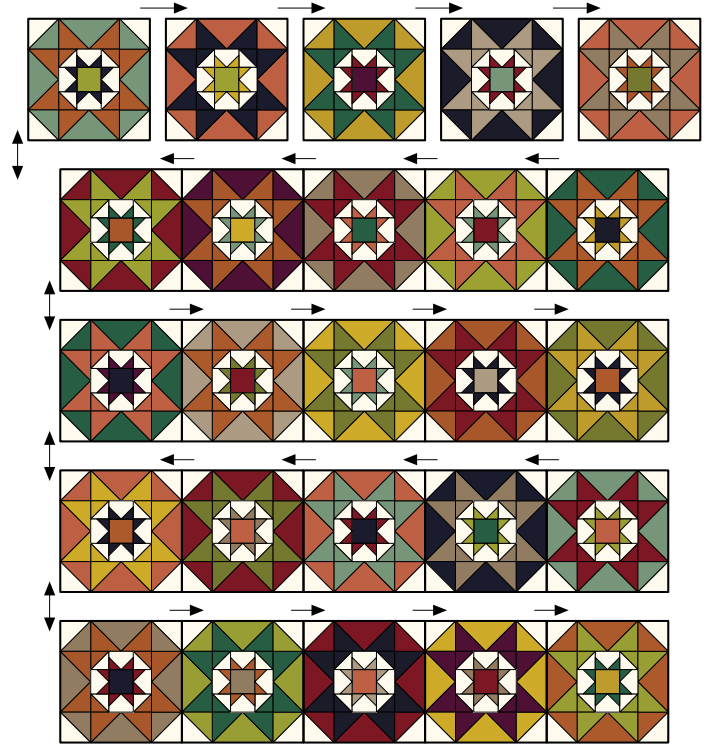


Potted Star block, 10½" x 10½"

- 1 Repeat steps 1–4 to piece a total of 25 Potted Stars blocks.

## PIECING the QUILT CENTER

Lay out the 25 pieced Potted Star blocks in five horizontal rows of five blocks. Join the blocks in each row. Press. Join the rows. Press. The pieced quilt center should measure 50½" square, including the seam allowances.



Pieced quilt center, 50½" x 50½"

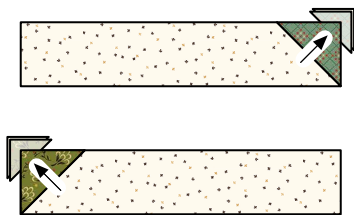
## PIECING and ADDING the INNER BORDER

- 1 Select the 16 cream tiny sprouts 2½" x 10½" rectangles and the 32 assorted-print 2½" squares cut for the inner border. Prepare the 2½" squares with diagonal sewing lines as previously instructed.
- 2 Choosing the prints randomly, add a stitch-and-fold triangle to each end of 12 of the 10½"-long cream rectangles as previously instructed, for a total of 12 pieced short-inner border units measuring 2½" x 10½", including the seam allowances. Reserve the remaining four cream 2½" x 10½" rectangles and the prepared 2½" squares for the next steps.



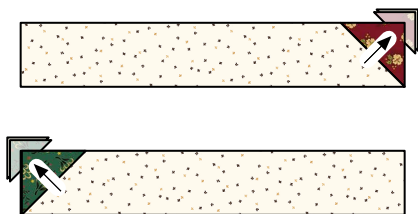
Make 12 short inner-border units, 2½" x 10½".

- 3 Using the reserved four remaining cream tiny sprouts  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangles and the reserved remaining prepared  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  squares. Layer, stitch, and press the squares onto one corner *only* of each rectangle as previously instructed to piece two short inner-border end units and two mirror-image short inner-border end units. You'll have four unused prepared  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  squares remaining for the next step.



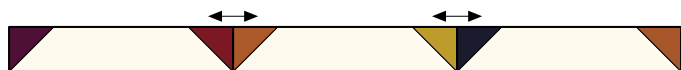
Make 2 each,  
 $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 4 Use the four remaining prepared  $2\frac{1}{2}''$  squares and the four cream tiny sprouts  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$  rectangles to piece two long inner-border end units and two mirror-image long inner-border units as instructed in step 3.



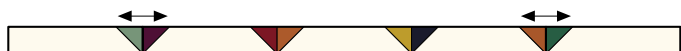
Make 2 each,  
 $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 12\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 5 Lay out three pieced short inner border units from step 2 end to end. Join the units. Press. Repeat to piece a total of four inner-border patchwork units measuring  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 30\frac{1}{2}''$ , including the seam allowances.



Make 4 units,  
 $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 30\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 6 Join a short inner border end unit and a short mirror-image border unit to a pieced patchwork unit from step 5 as shown. Press. Repeat to piece a total of two side inner-border units measuring  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 50\frac{1}{2}''$ , including the seam allowances. Referring to the image on the handout cover, join these units to the right and left sides of the quilt center. Press the seam allowances away from the quilt center.

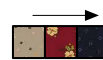


Make 2 side inner-border units,  
 $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 50\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 7 Referring once again to the quilt image on the handout cover and using the remaining two patchwork units from step 5, join a pieced long inner-border end unit and a mirror-image long inner-border unit to each end of the two patchwork units to make pieced strips measuring  $54\frac{1}{2}''$  long, including the seam allowances. Join these strips to the remaining top and bottom edges of the quilt center. Press the seam allowances away from the quilt center. The quilt top should now measure  $54\frac{1}{2}''$  square, including the seam allowances.

## PIECING and ADDING the OUTER BORDER

- 1 Choosing the prints randomly, join three assorted-print  $1\frac{1}{2}''$  squares end to end. Press. Repeat to piece a total of 40 checkerboard units measuring  $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ , including the seam allowances.



Make 40 units,  
 $1\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 2 Again choosing the prints randomly, lay out two pieced checkerboard units, four assorted-print chubby rectangles,  $2'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ , and four assorted-print skinny rectangles,  $1'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ , as shown. Join the pieces. Press. Repeat to piece a total of 20 outer border patchwork units measuring  $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10\frac{1}{2}''$ , including the seam allowances.



Make 20 units,  
 $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 10\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 3 Referring to the cover quilt, join five outer border patchwork units end to end. Press the seam allowances to one side. Repeat to piece a total of four outer border strips measuring  $3\frac{1}{2}'' \times 50\frac{1}{2}''$ , including the seam allowances.

- 4 Lay out one assorted-print chubby rectangle,  $2'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ , and one assorted-print skinny rectangle,  $1'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ , side by side as shown. Join the pieces. Press. Repeat to piece a total of eight end units measuring  $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ , including the seam allowances.



Make 8 end units,  
 $2\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3\frac{1}{2}''$ .

- 5 Referring to the quilt image on the handout cover, add an end unit to each short end of the step 3 outer border strips, with the skinny rectangle edge of the end units adjoining the border strips. Press the seam allowances away from the skinny rectangles. The four completed pieced outer border strips should measure  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $54\frac{1}{2}$ ", including the seam allowances.
- 6 Join a completed pieced border strip to the right and left side of the quilt top. Press the seam allowances away from the quilt center. Join an assorted-print  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square to each end of the remaining two pieced outer border strips. Press the seam allowances away from the newly added squares. Join these strips to the remaining top and bottom edges of the quilt top. Press the seam allowances away from the quilt center.

## COMPLETING the QUILT

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Layer and baste the quilt top, batting, and backing. Quilt the layers. Join the navy binding strips to make one length and use it to bind the quilt.

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