

Block of the Month – Month 2

Welcome to month 2 of this year's Block of the Month program. We will be making a different star-themed quilt block each month for 9 months (January through September). The plan is for you to make a block for yourself and one to donate to the guild. In November we will have a sew-in and put together the donated blocks for our Veterans program. Please use red, white and blue fabrics for the blocks you donate.

This month's star is the LeMoyne star. This quilt block is based on the pattern that Jean-Louis LeMoyne designed for tiles used in Versailles in the early 1700's.

Like last month's Friendship star (on our website), this star is based on half square triangles (HST). Look at January's instructions for the various ways to make HST.

Fabric needed (if making HST one at a time):

Background: Twelve 3 ½" squares for four corner squares & eight HST

Star color 1: eight 3 ½" for HST

Star color 2: eight 3 ½" for HST

Make the following HST combinations:

- Four HST color 1 & background
- Four HST color 2 & background
- Four HST color 1 and color 2
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Hint: always best to double check you HST for accurate 3 ½" size. Makes putting them together easier.

Don't forget to trim the excess fabric not needed for the HST.

The great contrast between color 1 & color 2, the more dramatic your star. Use the photo below for layout. Sew together.



If you prefer step by step instructions, there is a good lesson online at <https://quiltsbyjen.ca/how-to-make-a-lemoyne-star-block/>. Just be aware they are making a 10" block so use the sizes above for the 12" block.