

Block of the Month June: Flag

The Fourth of July is right around the corner! How about a flag block for your quilt or this block makes a nice pillow cover? You will need red, white, and blue fabric for this block. The white should not be the same as you are using for the background.

Fabric needed: Friendship Star corner of the block.

Two blue squares: $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches by $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches

Four blue squares: $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches

Two white squares: $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches by $3\frac{1}{4}$ inches

One white squares: $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches

Make two half square triangles using one blue and one white $3\frac{1}{4}$ " by $3\frac{1}{4}$ ". Draw a diagonal line, sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " on either side, cut on the line and iron with dark side on top. Trim to $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Repeat with the other blue and white $3\frac{1}{4}$ " squares to make 4 total blue & white HST.

Layout squares as shown below and sew together. Block should measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ".

You could change this part of the block by choosing a different patriotic star pattern. There are quite a few of them on the internet.

Fabric Needed: Flag

Two red strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ "; two red strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $15\frac{1}{2}$ "

One white strip $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $9\frac{1}{2}$ "; two white strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x $15\frac{1}{2}$ "

Make a $9\frac{1}{2}$ " block using $9\frac{1}{2}$ " strips red, white, red.

Make a $15\frac{1}{2}$ " block using $15\frac{1}{2}$ " strips white, red, white, red.

Sew the friendship star to left of the $9\frac{1}{2}$ " flag strips. Sew the $15\frac{1}{2}$ " strips to the bottom.



Block should measure $14\frac{1}{4}$ " x $15\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Sew a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $14\frac{1}{4}$ " background strip to the left and right sides of the flag block.

If you would like to start putting your quilt together, sew Block 1 star to flag block to Block 2 hearts as shown below. This will become the second row of your quilt.



Happy Fourth of July, Roxy