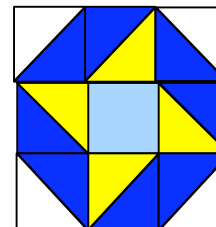


## Block of the Month – April, 2008

### RIBBON STAR: Friendship Star variation III

This variation of a Friendship Star requires different fabrics. For our April Block of the month, let's use the following and **cut:**

- Light blue print: One 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" square
- White solid or tone on tone print: One 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" rectangle
- Bright yellow solid or print: One 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" rectangle
- Medium blue solid or print: Two 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" rectangles



1) Place together the white and one medium blue 4-7/8" x 9-3/4" rectangle with right sides together, lightest of the two fabrics on top. Lightly draw a straight line 4-7/8" from the short edge dividing the rectangle in half and forming two squares. Then draw two diagonal lines through the center of the two squares as shown.



2) Still holding the two rectangles together, sew a line 1/4" away from the diagonal line on both sides.



3) Cut the rectangles apart on the drawn lines creating four half square triangle components. Press the seams to the darker fabric. The finished units should measure 4-1/2" square.



4) Repeat this step using the yellow rectangle with the second medium blue rectangle. Again, each unit should measure 4-1/2" square.



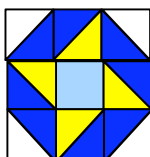
5) Piece two of the yellow-and-blue half square triangle components with the 4-1/2" light blue square as shown to create the center row unit of the Block. Press the seams in toward the center square.



6) Create the upper and lower Block rows by piecing together one of the blue-and-yellow half square triangle squares with two of the 4-1/2" blue-and-white half square triangle squares as shown. Press the seams out toward the background squares.



7) Piece the three Block rows together as shown to create the finished Block. Press the seams toward the outside edge of the Block. The finished Block should measure 12-1/2" inches square which includes a 1/4" seam allowance on all sides.



Don't forget – practice makes perfect! Make one for the BOM drawing, and one to keep for your very own sampler Star quilt!