

# MELISSA ERICKSON QUILT

A Scrappy Star Quilt Made from Fat Quarters

*Made to help Melissa*

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**Many thanks. Cindy**

## Melissa Erickson Quilt

Available in one size – Twin/Full quilt – 76” by 88”

**ONLY USE 2 FABRICS WITH HIGH CONTRAST.**

**Lights and darks only.**

**NO MEDIUMS. The middle of the star design does not show up well if you use mediums.**

**I plan to make a red and white quilt using this pattern.**

### Fabric Requirements:

Gold Fabric – 21 FQs  
*If using 1 fabric buy 5 yards*

Purple Fabric - 14 FQs  
*If using 1 fabric buy 3 1/2 yards*

Purple for Outer Border - 1 ¼ yards  
and Binding

### Other Requirement:

Please use templates to make your HSTs.  
*This quilt has a LOT (512 to be exact).*

I printed mine for free from this site:  
They have templates for MAC and PC.

<http://www.quilt.com/Blocks/TrianglePapers/Triangles.html>

Print the template for the 3” finished size.

If you use this method you need 64 templates (8 HSTs per template).

**If you use another method to make HSTs you need to cut your fabric according to the requirements of that method.**

<b>Cutting Instructions:</b>	<b>Unfinished Size</b>	<b>Quantity</b>
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Purple Squares	9"	32
Gold Squares	9"	96
Purple Strips	1.5" by 6.5"	204
Gold Strips	1.5" by 6.5"	156
2.5" by WOF (width of fabric) strips for border.	2.5" squares	8
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**Label (10 ) Baggies. This will help you keep you organized. Use this list for your label names.**

**Step #7**

**Step #9**

**Step #10**

**Step #11**

**Step #12**

**Step #14**

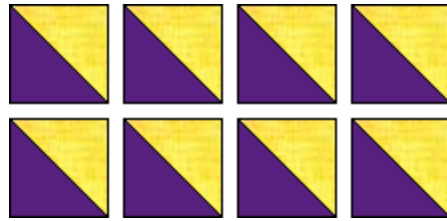
**Step #16**

**Step #17**

**Step #18**

**Step #19**

**Directions for Purple and Gold HSTs.  
Make (252).**



Step #1: Make your sewing machine stitch smaller.  
I use 1.8 on my machine.

Step #2: Gather  
(32) Purple 9” squares  
(32) Gold 9” squares  
(32) templates

Step #3:  
Select (1) purple 9” square and (1) gold 9” square and (1) template.

Place the fabric squares right sides together.

Lay the template on top and pin with short applique pins through the (3) layers and through the parts you **won't** be sewing.

I use 3-4 pins per template.

Sew on the template on the dotted lines.

Cut on the solid lines.

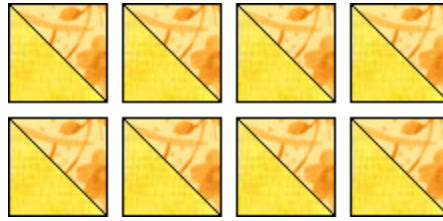
Remove paper.

Don't press yet.

If you are careful about sewing on the dotted lines your triangles will be the perfect size.. no trimming except for the little triangle tail in the corner.

Repeat for the remaining (31) templates.

**Directions for Gold and Gold HSTs.  
Make (252).**



Step #4: Make your sewing machine stitch smaller.  
I use 1.8 on my machine.

Step #5: Gather  
(64) Gold 9” squares  
(32) templates

Step #6:  
Select (2) 9” squares different gold fabrics and (1) template.

Place the fabric squares right sides together.

Lay the template on top and pin with short applique pins through  
the (3) layers and through the parts you **won't** be sewing.  
I use 3-4 pins per template.

Sew on the template on the dotted lines.  
Cut on the solid lines.  
Remove paper.  
Don't press yet.

Repeat for the remaining (31) templates.

Step #7: Finger press the diagonal seam of the HST so that one HST is pressed to the gold and one to the purple.

Sew all of your Purple and Gold HSTs into pairs with the seams nesting.

**Purple in the Center:** (66 units).

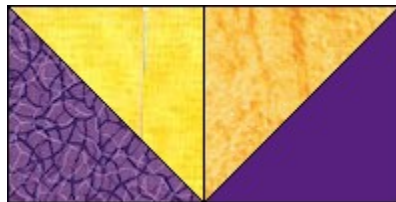
Put (26) units in Baggie labeled Step #7.

Don't press yet.



**Gold in the Center:** (60units).

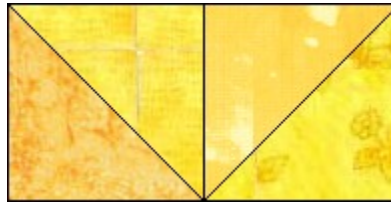
Don't press yet.



Step #8: Finger press the diagonal seam of each HST so that these seams nest when you sew them.

Sew all of your Gold and Gold HSTs into pairs with the seams nesting.

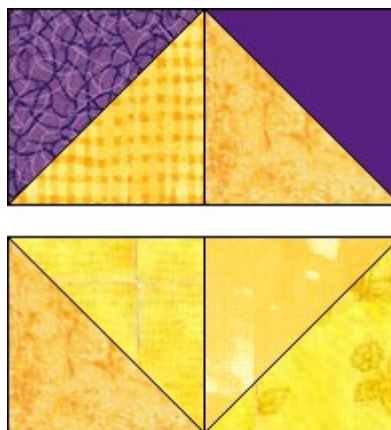
You will have (126) units.  
Don't press yet.



Step #9: Finger press the seams joining your HSTs so the seams nest when you sew them.

Make (22) of this unit. Make sure you use the Purple/Gold HSTs with **Gold in the Center**.  
Press.

Put units in Baggie labeled Step #9.

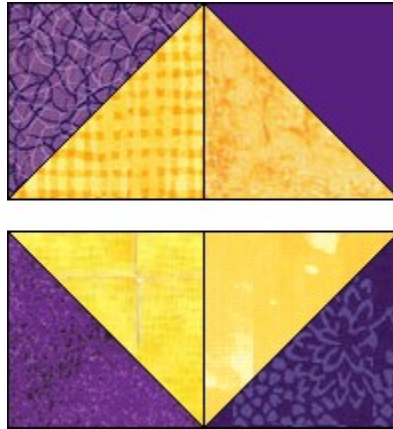


Step #10: Finger press the seams joining your HSTs so the seams nest when you sew them.

Make (45) of this unit. Make sure you use the Purple/Gold HSTs with **Gold in the Center**.

Press.

Put units in Baggie labeled Step #10.

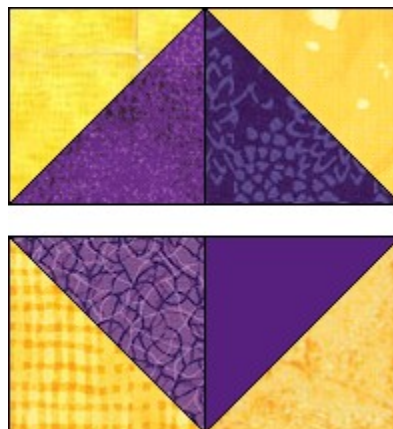


Step #11: Finger press the seams joining your HSTs so the seams nest when you sew them.

Make (20) of this unit. Make sure you use the Purple/Gold HSTs with **Purple in the Center**.

Press.

Put units in Baggie labeled Step #11.

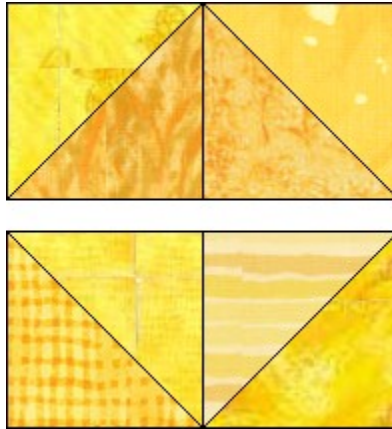


Step #12: Finger press the seams joining your HSTs so the seams nest when you sew them.

Make (22) of this unit.

Press.

Put units in Baggie labeled Step #12.



Step #13: Making the centers of your stars.

Sew (42) of this unit.

(4) 1.5" by 6.5" purple strips.

(2) 1.5" by 6.5" gold strips.

**Very Important – USE A VERY SCANT 1/4" SEAM.**

**It is VERY easy to make these units too small.**

Make (1) unit first and measure.

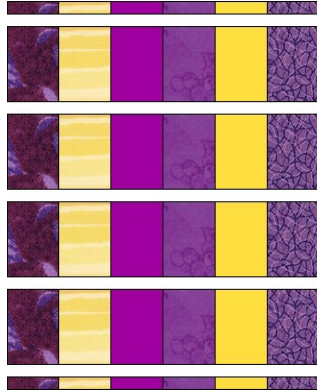
It should measure 6.5" by 6.5".

Finger press in either direction and then press with your iron.



Step #14: Cut your unit from Step 13 into (4) 1.5” strips.  
The top and bottom have an extra 1/4” so that you can make the ends even.

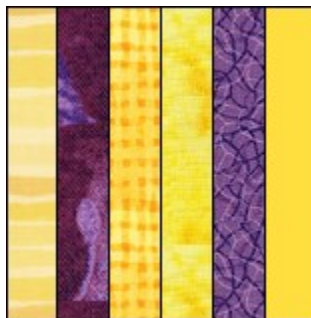
You should have (168) units.  
Put units in Baggie labeled Step #14.



Step #15: Sew (18) of this unit.  
(4) 1.5" by 6.5" gold strips.  
(2) 1.5" by 6.5" purple strips.

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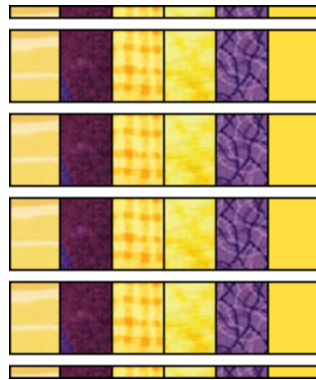
Make (1) unit first and measure.  
It should measure 6.5" by 6.5".  
Finger press and then press to one side.



Step #16: Cut your unit from Step 15 into (4) 1.5” strips.  
The top and bottom have an extra 1/4” so that you can make the ends even.

You should have (72) units.

Put units in Baggie labeled Step #16.



Step #17: Gather (120) units from Step #14  
(60) units from Step #16  
Sew (30) of this unit – matching the diagram and nesting seams.

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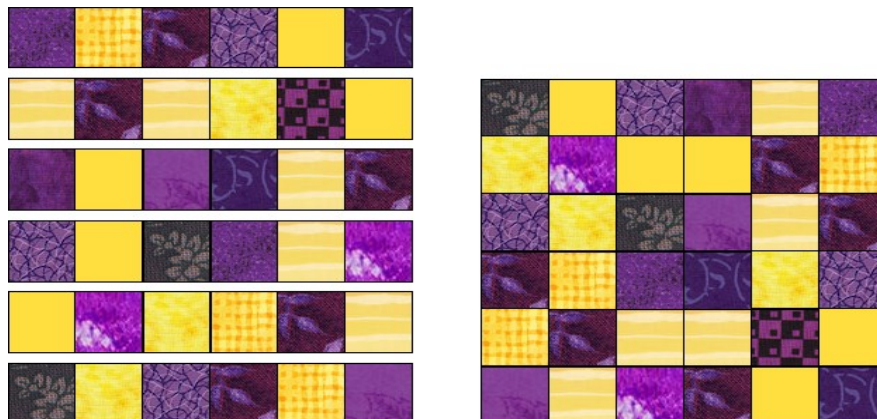
**It is VERY easy to make these units too small.**

Make (1) unit first and measure.

It should measure 6.5” by 6.5”.

Finger press and then press to one side.

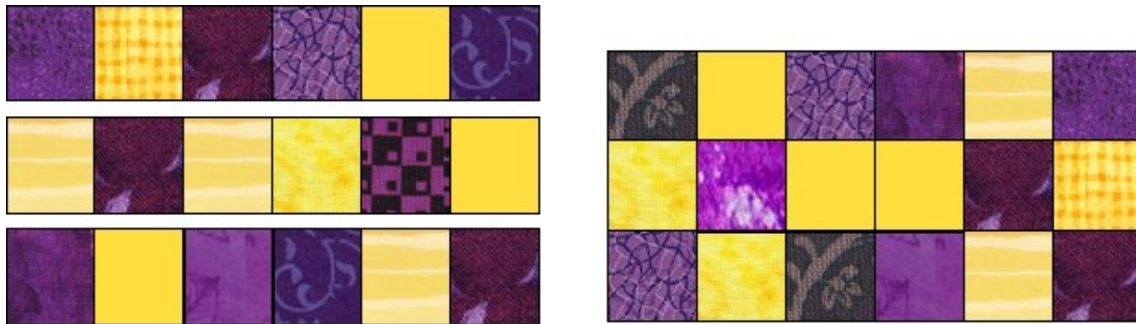
Put units in Baggie labeled Step #17.



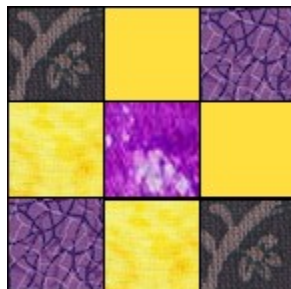
Step #18: Gather (44) units from Step #14  
(22) units from Step #16  
Sew (22) of this unit – matching the diagram and nesting seams.

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Make (1) unit first and measure.  
It should measure 3.5" by 6.5".  
Finger press and then press to one side.  
Put units in Baggie labeled Step #18.



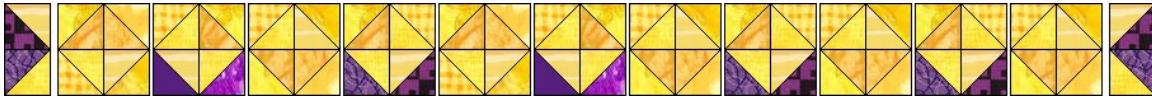
Step #19: From some of your remaining 1.5" squares  
Make (4) 9-Patch blocks.  
Purple in the center and outside corners.  
Put units in Baggie labeled Step #19.



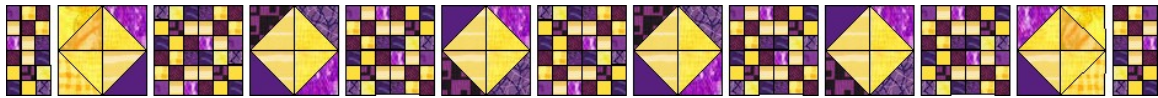
Step #20: Assembling Row (A). Make (2).  
 (4) 9-Patch blocks from Step #19  
 (12) Units from Step #7  
 (10) Units from Step #18.  
 Press later.



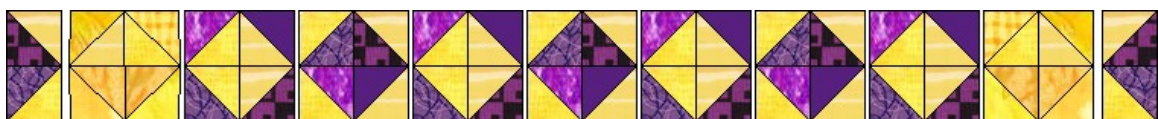
Step #21: Assembling Row (B). Make (2).  
 (4) Units from Step #7.  
*Make sure the Purple V on the ends point to the center*  
 (12) Units from Step #12  
 (10) Units from Step #9



Step #22: Assembling Row (C). Make (6).  
 (12) Units from Step #18.  
 (12) Units from Step #9  
 (30) Units from Step #17  
 (24) Units from Step #10



Step #23: Assembling Row (D). Make (5).  
 (10) Units from Step #7  
 (10) Units from Step #12  
 (20) Units from Step #10  
 (15) Units from Step #11  
*Make sure the Purple V on the ends point to the center.*



## Step #24: Assembling The Rows.

-Press the seams joining the units in each row in opposite directions so you can nest the seams when you sew your rows together.

-Sew the rows together following the directions in the diagram below. Press in either direction.

