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June 2007 Block of the Month

Patriotic Star

8½ inch unfinished block (8 inch finished block)

Fabric requirement – red, white and blue:

- 1 2½ inch square of blue for the center square
- 4 1½ inch squares of white for the corners of the center star
- $4 2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ inch of white rectangles for the flying geese
- 8 1½ inch blue squares for the blue star points
- $4 2\frac{1}{2}$ inch red squares for the corners of the large star
- $4 4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ inch red rectangles for the flying geese
- $8 2\frac{1}{2}$ inch white squares for the white star points



- 1. To all four of the white rectangles, sew a 1½ inch blue square at each corner to make the flying geese. Trim the seams under the points to a ¼ inch. On both ends of two flying geese, sew one of the 1½ inch white squares.
- 2. Sew one flying geese piece (the one with the corner square at both ends) to opposite sides of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ inch blue center square. Iron toward the center.
- 3. Sew the first piece above to the second piece above forming a $4 \frac{1}{2}$ inch blue star with a white background.
- 4. To all four of the red rectangles, sew a 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch white square at each corner to make the flying geese. Trim the seams under the points to a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. On both ends of two flying geese, sew one of the 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch red squares.
- 5. Sew one flying geese piece (the one without the corner square at both ends) to opposite sides of the 4 ½ inch blue star center square. Iron toward the center.
- 6. Sew the red and white geese piece (the one with the corner square at both ends) to the top and bottom completing the white star with a red background.

You should now have a blue star inside of a white star with an outer red background.

Instructions by quild member **Anna Krassy**

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