## EMPIRE

## June 2007 Block of the Month

## Patriotic Star

$81 / 2$ inch unfinished block
( 8 inch finished block )
Fabric requirement - red, white and blue:
$1-2 \frac{1}{2}$ inch square of blue for the center square
$4-1 \frac{1}{2}$ inch squares of white for the corners of the center star
$4-21 / 2 \times 11 / 2$ inch of white rectangles for the flying geese

$8-1 \frac{1}{2}$ inch blue squares for the blue star points
$4-21 / 2$ inch red squares for the corners of the large star
$4-41 / 2 \times 21 / 2$ inch red rectangles for the flying geese
$8-2 \frac{1}{2}$ inch white squares for the white star points

## Instructions:

1. To all four of the white rectangles, sew a $11 / 2$ inch blue square at each corner to make the flying geese. Trim the seams under the points to a $1 / 4 \mathrm{inch}$. On both ends of two flying geese, sew one of the $11 / 2$ inch white squares.
2. Sew one flying geese piece (the one with the corner square at both ends) to opposite sides of the $21 / 2$ inch blue center square. Iron toward the center.
3. Sew the first piece above to the second piece above forming a $41 / 2$ inch blue star with a white background.
4. To all four of the red rectangles, sew a $21 / 2$ inch white square at each corner to make the flying geese. Trim the seams under the points to a $1 / 4 \mathrm{inch}$. On both ends of two flying geese, sew one of the $21 / 2$ inch red squares.
5. Sew one flying geese piece (the one without the corner square at both ends) to opposite sides of the $41 / 2$ 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.

