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Size: 50” x 50”

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50 inches X 50 inches
Sixteen 8 inch blocks
Skill Level: Intermediate

Designer’s Note: I made this quilt using a number of different fabrics for a scrappy look. If you wish to do the same you may need extra fabric. The directions are written using just one fabric of each color.

Materials
- 1 ¼ yard dark blue for outer border and binding
- 1 yard red for inner border and blocks
- 1 ½ yard light print for blocks and pieced border
- ¼ yard navy blue for blocks and pieced border
- ½ yard medium blue for blocks
- 3 yards backing
- 56” X 56” piece of batting

Cutting Directions
From the dark blue fabric cut: five 4 ¼” X WOF strips for border, five 2 ½” X WOF strips for binding
From the red fabric cut: two 1 ¼” X 40 ½” strips, two 1 ¼” X 42 ⅛” strips, forty 2 ½” squares, twenty 2 7/8” squares
From the light fabric cut: twenty 4 ⅛” squares, eight 4 7/8” squares,
        twenty-eight 2 ¼” squares, fifty-six 2 7/8” squares.
From the navy blue fabric cut: twenty-four 4 7/8” squares; cut sixteen of these along a diagonal to yield thirty-two triangles
        for blocks
From the medium blue cut: twenty-eight 2 ½” squares, twenty 2 7/8” squares

Blocks
- Draw a diagonal line on the back of two light (background) 2 7/8” squares. Lay them over two red (star) 2 7/8” squares, right
        sides together, and stitch a ⅛” seam on both sides of the drawn lines. Cut along the drawn lines and press toward the red
        fabric to yield four half-square triangle units.
- Sew a light 2 ½” square to a half-square triangle unit. Sew a red 2 ½” square to another half-square triangle unit. Sew these
        two rows together to make a quarter block. Make two. (Diagram 1)
- Cut two 2 7/8” light squares along a diagonal to yield four triangles. Sew two triangles to adjacent sides of a red 2 ⅛” square.
        Sew a navy blue triangle to the light side of this triangular unit to make a quarter block. Make two. (Diagram 2)
- Sew the four quarter blocks together. (Block Diagram)
- Make eight blocks using the light fabric for the background and the red fabric for the stars. Make two blocks substituting the
- Lay out the sixteen blocks following the quilt layout diagram. Sew together the blocks in each row. Sew together the rows.

Pieced Border
- Draw a diagonal line on the back of the eight 4 7/8” light squares. Lay them over eight navy blue 4 7/8” squares, right sides
        together, and stitch a ¼” seam on both sides of the drawn line. Cut along the line and press toward the blue fabric to yield
        sixteen light/navy blue half-square triangle units.
- Follow the quilt layout diagram to make two side pieced border strips consisting of four light/navy triangle units and four
        4 ⅛” light squares. Sew these strips to the sides of the quilt.
- Follow the quilt layout diagram to make the top and bottom pieced border strips consisting of four light/navy triangle units
        and six 4 ⅛” light squares. Sew these to the top and bottom of the quilt.

Finishing the quilt
- Sew a 1 ⅜” X 40 ½” red strip to each side of the quilt.
- Sew a 1 ⅜” X 42 ⅛” red strip (piece if necessary) to the top and bottom of the quilt.
- Sew a 4 ⅜” X 42 ⅛” dark blue strip (piece if necessary) to each side of the quilt.
- Piece two 4 ⅜” X 50 ½” dark blue strips. Sew one to the top and bottom of the quilt.
- Layer the backing, batting and quilt top. Baste and quilt as desired.
- Use the 2 ½” navy blue strips to bind the quilt.

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