

Block of the Month
(from Virginia H.)
Friendship Star.

12-1/2" unfinished (12" finished)

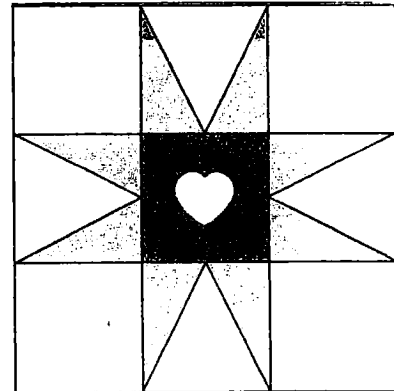
Fabric amounts:

Light, 5-1/2" x w.o.f.

Dark #1, 5-1/2" square

Medium #1, 5-1/2" x w.o.f.

Medium light, 4" square



Cutting instructions:

Light, cut (4) 5-1/2" squares for paper piecing

cut (4) 4-1/2" squares for corners

Dark #1, cut (1) 4-1/2" square for center

Medium #1, cut (8) from pattern labeled SP, to cut these pieces make sure your fabric strip is folded in half lengthwise, with wrong sides together. Trace the pattern SP onto a piece of paper, trim. Lay the pattern on your fabric strip and cut 2 at a time. This cut does not have to be exact.

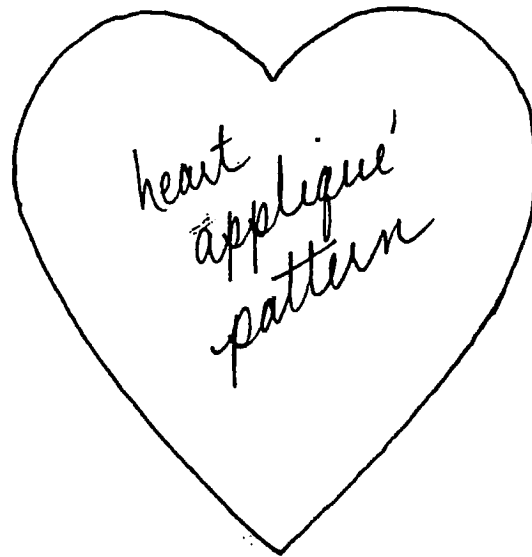
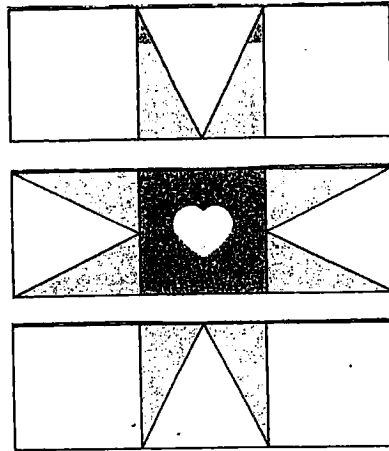
Medium light, cut (1) heart appliqué, add 1/4" seam allowance if you are doing needle-turn appliqué.

Sewing instructions:

Step #1-paper piecing the star points

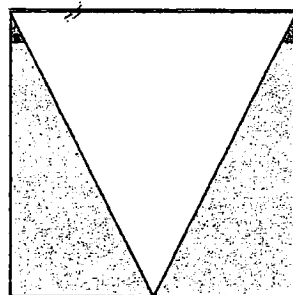
Step #3

Lay out all the pieces to the block using the picture below as your diagram and sew the block together like a nine-patch.



Cut out the patterns labeled PP beyond the 1/4" seam allowance. You will need 4 of these. You have been given an extra one just in case.

Lay a light 5-1/2" square on the back of the pattern with wrong side against the paper, pin in place. This is piece 1 on the pattern. Fold the light fabric back and finger press on the line between 1 & 2. You may want to hold it up to a light so you can see it better. This will give you a guide for sewing on piece 2. Lay a Medium #1 piece of fabric cut with the SP pattern on top of the light square, making sure that you have the correct piece. Before you sew on piece 2, you may want to pin in place and check it. When you are sure of the placement, flip it so the paper side is up, sew with a very small stitch on the line between 1 & 2. Fold back the paper pattern and trim the seam. At this time you can either press it with an iron or finger press it. Repeat for piece 3. Cut the block out on the seam line. Remove the paper. This Star Point unit will measure 4-1/2" square. Make 4 of these units.



Step #2

Appliqué the heart to the top of the Dark #1 center square using your favorite method.

