



# WANDERLUST RUNNER!

Color Me Scrappy!

Scrappy Stars are bound to create a tabletop sensation!

Finishes 22" x 58"

Specialty Ruler friendly!

Perfect for working with Bonnie K Hunter's Essential Triangle Tool and a plethora of 1 1/2" and 2 1/2" strips!

## WANDERLUST TABLE RUNNER!

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Finished size: 22'' x 54''

I had a lot of fun playing with these blocks designed for Quiltmaker Magazine and their 100 blocks by 100 designers, vol 7 issue. When designing and submitting blocks, and working with scrap fabrics, these blocks often call to me to be made into “REAL” quilts, not just virtual ones.

4 blocks plus borders makes a GREAT table runner!

4 blocks can also be set 2 by 2 for a super wall hanging or table topper. How will you set YOUR blocks?

Maybe your table is not as long as mine. Use 3 blocks! This border is meant to fit the block width and will work with whatever you choose.

I used 2 sizes of strips from my Scrap User's System in making this quilt: 1 1/2'' and 2 1/2'' strips worked up easily into the flying geese and half square triangles needed for this quilt thanks to the use of my new Essential Triangle Tool available in the rulers and tools section of the Quiltville Store at [Quiltville.com/shop.html](http://Quiltville.com/shop.html).

Traditional rotary cutting measurements are given for those who don't have access to these rulers.

You can use any method for flying geese and half square triangles that give you the required size of unit.

### Materials

**This is a scrap quilt project!** Each of the 4 blocks uses small amounts of 14 different fabrics.

The only common fabric is the black used throughout the quilt. You will need 2/3 yard, and that is on the generous side.

This quilt is Jelly Roll and Scrap Friendly!

### Cutting:

**\*\*Hint\*\*** It's helpful to read this pattern and pay attention to diagrams thoroughly before cutting your fabric. Many units such as half square triangles and flying geese are made in sets of 4 matching units per block.

Because the 4 matching triangle units in the corners of the block determine the colors of the flying geese at the center outer edge of the block, it is best to make these flying geese LAST so it is easy to determine what color goes where in the block.

In the small center star, the 4 rectangles used for the flying geese are a different neutral fabric than the 4 corner squares. Mix and match as you might!

Because of this, I cut out pieces for each block one at a time and pinned block pieces together in sets before constructing them. A small design board covered with flannel is helpful at the machine for keeping things in order.

### Center Star:

Cut 1 2 1/2'' center square

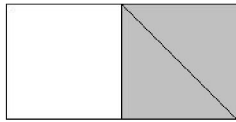
Cut 8 1 1/2'' matching squares (star points)

Cut 4 1 1/2" X 2 1/2" matching rectangles  
(background neutral #1)

Cut 4 1 1/2" matching corner squares from  
(background neutral #2)

Make 4 sets.

Inner Star Assembly:



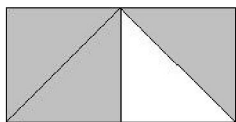
Stitch & Flip Inner Star Points!

1. Draw a line from corner to corner on the back side of 8 matching 1 1/2" star point squares.

2. Pair a 1 1/2" star point square with a 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" neutral rectangle as shown.

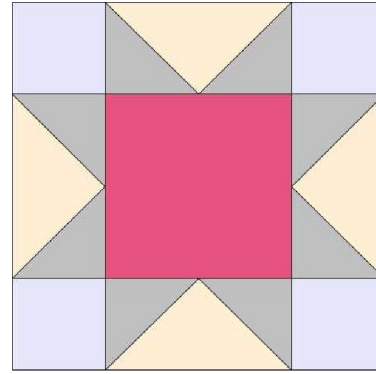
3. DO NOT SEW RIGHT ON THE LINE!  
The line is your FOLD line not your stitching line. Set the needle just to the right of the line, toward the outer corner of the unit. This way the line will fold up and end up right on top of your thread where it belongs, and the edge of your sew and flip corner will reach the outer edges of the rectangle. Stitch with the needle kissing up to the drawn line.

4. Trim excess 1/4" from the stitching.  
Press seam toward the triangle.



5. Repeat the process for the second side.  
Make 4 matching geese per set, 4 sets total for 4 blocks.

\*Note\* These units ARE small, but you can use 1 1/2" strips and the Essential Triangle Tool to cut both the large geese triangle and the two small wing triangles for this unit!

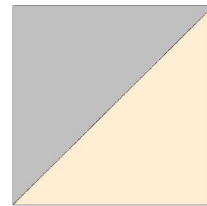


Center Star. 4" finished.

1. Arrange flying geese, a 2 1/2" center square and 4 1 1/2" corner squares as shown.

2. Stitch units into rows and join rows to complete block center. Press.

3. Make 4 center Stars.



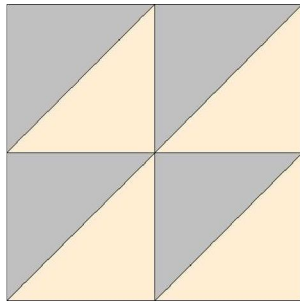
Half Square Triangle Corner Units

1. From each set of fabric, cut 2 2 7/8" squares from neutral and 2 2 7/8" from a color, along with 2 more 2 1/2" squares from the same color.
2. Pair 2 matching colored 2 7/8" squares with 2 matching neutral 2 7/8" squares with right sides together.
3. Slice from corner to corner once on the diagonal to yield 4 matched triangle pairs.

\*Note\* I used 2 1/2" strips and the half square triangle markings on my Essential Triangle Tool for this step!

3. Stitch, pressing seams toward the darker fabric. Trim dog ears.

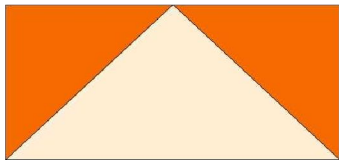
4. Make 16 sets of 4 matching half square triangle units. Keep the matching  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares with each set for later.



Unit 1

Lay the 4 half square triangle units as shown, joining units into rows. Join the rows to complete the unit. Press. Make 16.

**\*\*Note\*\*** I did more pressing open on this quilt due to the fact that it is not always possible to press things so they always nest. Use your best judgement and press open when needed to minimize bulk. Pressing solely to the dark is not always the only way.



Large Star Points  $2$ " x  $4$ " finished.

Large Star Point units are also made in matching sets of 4 per block. All of my Large Star Point units are shades of Orange.

I used my Essential Triangle Tool and  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " strips for the quarter square and half square triangles in this step rather than the stitch/flip method given below:

1. Draw a diagonal line on the back side of 8 matching  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " star point squares.

2. As with the smaller flying geese above, pair a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " neutral rectangle with a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " dark square.

3. Remember to stitch to the RIGHT of the drawn line, with the stitching falling toward the corner that will be trimmed.

4. Fold the triangle over on the stitching line to double check that it reaches the outside edge of the base rectangle. Trim excess  $\frac{1}{4}$ " beyond the stitching.

5. Repeat for the remaining side of the unit.

6. Make 4 matching units per block, total of 16.

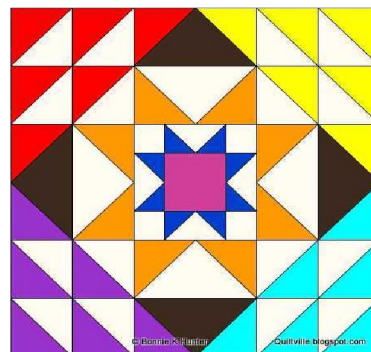
### Black Connector Geese:

Before we can sew the block together –we have to lay parts of it out so we know which colors go where! And this will be different for every block.

(You can cut triangles as I did with the Essential Triangle Tool!)

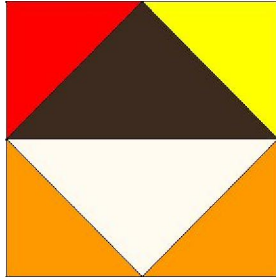
Cut 16  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles from black fabric. These will be matched with the reserved  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " squares from unit 1 above.

1. Place the black  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles as shown, noting which wing triangle colors will correspond with the adjacent triangle corner units to complete the design.



Make 20 sets.

2. Start with your small evening star in the center. Place the 4 orange and neutral Flying Geese units around it. Follow these by placing the 4 different-colored half square triangle units as shown in the corners.



Color matching the Wing Triangles

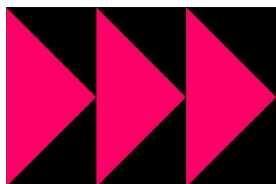
1. Using the stitch and flip technique, and the reserved 2 1/2" squares that match the corner triangle units, make 4 flying geese to fill in the center sides of each block, matching wing triangle colors to corner triangle colors. Make 4 sets to match each of the 4 blocks. Press seams toward the wing triangles.

2. Join the black flying geese units to the top of the large star point units as shown. Seams in this area will not nest. Press center seam open to minimize bulk.

3. Join the units into rows, and join blocks to complete block.

Join 4 blocks together. Press.

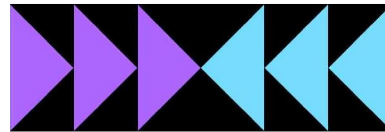
Borders:



Border unit:

Using either the 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangle with 2 1/2" squares in the stitch & flip method, or cutting the large flying geese triangles from 2 1/2" strips using the quarter square-triangle lines and wing triangles using the half-square triangle lines on the Essential Triangle Tool, make 20 sets of 3 geese matching in a variety of colors and fabrics all with black wing triangles.

Sew the matched sets of geese together. Each unit will measure 4 1/2" x 6 1/2" and finish at 4" x 6" in the quilt.



Join two units back to back as shown and stitch. Press. Make 10 border units.

Adding End units:

To either end of the runner, add a blue 1 1/2" x 12 1/2" sashing strip. Press seams toward the sashing strip.



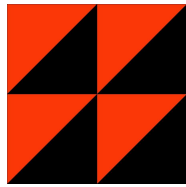
Outside of the sashing strip, add one border unit to each end. Press seams toward the sashing strip.

Cut two more sashing lengths 1 1/2" x 58 1/2" and attach to top and bottom of runner.

Join 4 border units side to side into one length to make top border. Make one more for bottom border.

Add a 1 1/2" x 4 1/2" sashing to each end of both the top and bottom border units, pressing seams toward the sashing piece.





Corner Block Unit, Make 4.

If using 2 7/8" squares, pair 2 colored squares with 2 black square with right sides together. Slice from corner to corner on the diagonal to yield 4 matched pairs of triangles. Stitch. Press. Remove dog ears.

Join 4 units together as shown to make one corner block. Make 4.

I used 2 1/2" strips and the Essential Triangle Tool to make these units easily by matching strips right sides together and cutting triangles into already matched pairs ready to sew.

This unit will measure 4 1/2" x 4 1/2" before sewing into the quilt and finish at 4".

Top and bottom border construction:



Join the corner blocks to each end of the top and bottom borders as shown, watching the placement of the colors in the corners.

Join top and bottom borders to the table runner, pressing seams toward the long sashing. Press.



Figuring out where to put what!



It's a top!

My Wanderlust runner was quilted with grey thread in an edge to edge design called Gossamer by Hermione Agee of Lorien Quilting, Australia.



A chevron print border in geranium red finishes off the edge with flair.

Enjoy! And don't forget the label!

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