Floating Stars Baby Quilt
35" x 43"

Cutting instructions:
From prints – for each star cut:
   1 square 3½" x 3½"
   8 squares 2" x 2"
From all prints cut:
   30 1½" squares for cornerstones

From background – cut:
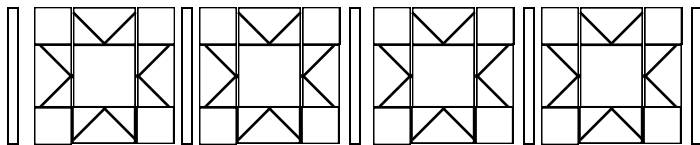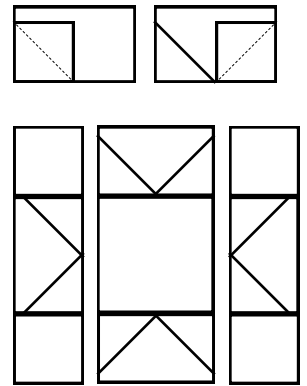   15 strips 3" x WOF. Sub-cut to yield 80 rectangles 3" x 3½"
                        80 squares 3" x 3"
   2 strips 8" x WOF. Sub-cut to get 49 strips 1½" x 8" for sashing

> Have the 2" squares match the x 3 ½" square for one block. Cut enough from the prints for 20 blocks. A suggestion is to make 2 stars from each of 10 different prints. Or, stars could be all different, or perhaps all the same print, two different prints, or your design.

To make stars and sashing–

1. Draw a diagonal line on wrong side of 2" squares.
2. Place 2" squares on 3" x 3½" rectangles and sew on line. Press out and trim seam. Add another 2" square on other corner so that both star points will be on 3½" side of white rectangle. Press out and trim seam. Make four like this for one star.
3. Sew two of these to matching 3 ½" print square. Press seams toward square.
4. Sew 3" white squares on both sides of the other two star point rectangles. Press seams toward white squares.
5. Piece block together as shown. Press well. Repeat to make 20 blocks. Trim blocks to 8" with print square centered in the block.

6. Lay blocks out in pleasing color arrangement. Sew together in rows with sashing strips between. Four blocks per row with 5 sashing strips. Make 5 rows. Press seams toward sashing.

Make 5

7. Make 6 sashing rows – each row with 4 sashing strips and 5 cornerstones. Press seams toward sashing.

8. Sew rows together with sashing rows between. Press seams well. If desired add outer border. Quilt as desired and bind.

☺ Cornerstones could be eliminated and horizontal sashing row one long strip. Cornerstones could be all same print or solid. Sashing could be contrasting print or solid.

Floating Stars

35" X 43"

Fabric requirements for Floating Stars —

  1/6 yard, or fat eighth of 10 different prints
2 yards white or other plain for background
1/2 yard binding (or make scrappy binding from the above prints)
1-3/8 yard backing
1-3/8 yard batting