

2022 PhxMQG Block Lotto

May: Solstice Series: Bright Hope Star

Unfinished: 12½"



The summer solstice occurs next month and for some it is a renewal or new beginning, full of hope. This beautiful star is cleverly uses the block, Bright Hope, as its center and involves no Y-seams. It also makes the Bright Hope block without a partial seam, but I recommend that if you don't already know how to do a partial seam, use this easy block to learn. The center of each star is perfect for embroidery or applique!



Fabrics to Cut:

- Center block: 1: 4⅛" x 4⅛" Background - white or white-on-white
- Full log pieces: 3: 5⅛" x 1½" Three different bright colors in prints or solids
- Large partial log: 1: 4⅛" x 1½" Fourth bright color in print or solid
- Small partial log: 1: 1½" x 1½" Fourth bright color in print or solid
- Star points: 4: 3⅝" x 3⅝" Four bright colors (solids or prints) can be the same or different from the logs colors—cut on the diagonal to form 8 triangles
- HST Background: 2: 3⅝" x 3⅝" Background - white or white-on-white—cut on the diagonal to form 4 triangles
- Block corners: 4: 4½" x 4½" Background - white or white-on-white

Note: If you are doing a partial seam, cut 4 full log pieces and ignore the two partial log pieces. This is highly recommended if you are doing solid bright fabrics.

Directions:

<https://www.freshlemonsquilts.com/journal/solstice-stars-series-another-star>

If you are doing a partial seam:

1. Align the first log with one edge of the center fabric
2. Sew from the aligned edges to the mid point of the center fabric and log.
3. Press seam allowance
4. Add the next log across the seamed edge of the center piece
5. Sew across the entire log
6. Add the next two logs as you did the second log
7. Complete the partially sewn seam.

Get in touch with Patti if you need more help with sewing a partial seam

This tutorial may help: <https://www.allpeoplequilt.com/how-to-quilt/piecing/how-to-sew-partial-seams-quilt-block>

Possible Layouts:



You can do a straight or on point layout. You could also include sashing. Or use your imagination!



Remember to send photos of your block(s) to block.lotto.patti@gmail.com by Friday, May 13, 2022 unless you will be attending in-person.