

# September 2016 Block of the Month

## Stars & Stripes

### SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR 4 BLOCKS:

1. 4 assorted red solid or print fabrics
2. 4 assorted white solid or print fabrics
3. 1 dark blue & white star or dot print fabric
4. Thread, rotary cutter, cutting mat, ruler and iron
5. To complete a block from the sewn strip sets, you need:

**1—3.5" x 6.5" red, white, red, strip set**

**1—3.5" x 3.5" square, blue print**

**1—5.5" x 9.5" white, red, white, red, white, strip set**

### Step 1.

- Cut (4) 1.5" strips, width of fabric, from the red solids/prints.  
Cut (4) 1.5" strips, width of fabric, from the white solids/prints.  
Cut (4) 3.5"x3.5" squares from the dark blue & white fabric.



### Step 2.

- Sew two strip sets. Set 1 consists of 1 white strip and 2 red strips. Set 2 consists of 3 white strips and 2 red strips. Sew strips together using a 1/4" seam. Press fabrics to the darker fabric.



Set 1



Set 2

### Step 3.

Cut strip set 1 into 6.5" long sections. These should measure 3.5" x 6.5". Cut strip set 2 into 9.5" long sections. These should measure 5.5" x 9.5".



### Step 4.

With right sides together, sew the 3.5" x 3.5" square to strip set 1. Press seams to the darker fabric.



### Step 5.

With right sides together, sew the strip set from Step 4 to strip set 2 (5.5"x9.5"). Press to the darker fabric. Trim as needed. Your block is complete. Repeat to make additional blocks.



Finished block should measure 9.5" wide and 8.5" high.

