

# BLOCK OF THE MONTH - JANUARY 2018

## (HALF OF A) SAWTOOTH STAR

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Cut 1	3½" x 6½" rectangle	Scrap fabric
Cut 2	3½" squares	Scrap fabric
Cut 1	4" squares	Scrap fabric
Cut 1	3½" x 6½" rectangle	Light fabric
Cut 2	3½" squares	Light fabric
Cut 1	4" squares	Light fabric

For scrap fabric:

- No novelty or holiday
- Use the same colour family/value

*Finished size* should be 6 x 12 (you are making half a sawtooth star block). Please read through instructions before beginning.

**Step 1:** Draw a diagonal line across the wrong side of 2 scrap fabric 3½" x 3½" squares. Lay 1 square right sides together with the light fabric 3½" x 6½" rectangle. Sew on the drawn line.

**Step 2:** Trim the excess fabric by cutting ¼" away from the stitching. Press with seam to scrap fabric.

**Step 3:** Repeat steps 1 & 2 on opposite side with second square to make a complete flying geese.

**Step 4:** Mark a diagonal line from corner to corner on one of the 4" squares with an erasable marker or pencil. Take care not to distort the fabric as you draw along the bias grain. With right sides together, layer the 4" squares aligning all four edges. Stitch ¼" away from the drawn line on both sides of the line.

**Step 5:** Cut the unit in half along the drawn center line. Press the units flat before opening to set each seam. Open each unit and press seam allowance towards the darker of the two fabrics. Square to 3 ½" and trim off the 'dog ears' (those little pieces of fabric that stick out past the edges).

**Step 6:** Assemble as shown below. Unfinished block should be 6½" x 12½".

