JANUARY -- RED & WHITE SCRAP STAR

FABRICS: Choose ‘stardust’ fabrics from your stash in 100% cotton DARK RED (A) and MEDIUM REDs (B,C) and WHITEs (D, E, F). Tiny prints or solid-like REDs are the best choice - but tiny amounts of non-red are okay. WHITEs should not contain any other color. PRE-WASH all fabrics before cutting - try washing REDs and whites separately in a lingerie bag. Make a Community block and your own block in any color and consider making E the same MEDIUM color as B for a complete frame.

STEP 1: Using two DARK RED A and two WHITE F pieces, sew a four patch 4-1/2” square. Press.

STEP 2: Make four flying geese units. On the wrong side draw a line diagonally on all eight MEDIUM RED C squares. Place a C square right sides together on the WHITE D rectangle end and sew on the line. Cut to 1/4” seam allowance. Press. Place second C square on D and sew, cut and press. Trim unit to 2-1/2” x 4-1/2.” Make 3 more units.

source:sawtooth star variation by K.H.

Cutting Fabrics (Pre-wash first!):
- A - Cut FOUR 2-1/2” squares. (DARK RED)
- B - Cut TWO 2-1/2” x 10-1/2” rectangles. (MEDIUM RED)
- C - Cut EIGHT 2-1/2” squares. (MEDIUM REDs)
- D - Cut FOUR 2-1/2” x 4-1/2” rectangles. (WHITEs)
- E - Cut TWO 2-1/2” x 8-1/2” rectangles. (WHITEs)
- F - Cut SIX 2-1/2” squares. (WHITEs)

STEP 3: Using diagram above as reference, sew center STAR in three rows. For Row 1 and 3 - sew an F to each end of CDC. Row 2 - sew a CDC unit to each side of the four patch FAFA. Sew three rows together and press. Star unit measures 8-1/2” square.

STEP 4: Using diagram above as reference, sew FRAME on star unit, taking care with STAR tips. 1) Sew one E to top of star. 2) Sew an A to end of the other E and sew AE to right side of star. 3) Sew one B to left side of star. 4) Sew an A to end of other B and sew AB to bottom of star. Press. Star with frame measures 12-1/2” square.
COLOR VALUE is especially important to show the design in a scrap quilt - watch placements of DARK, MEDIUM and LIGHT fabrics so contrast makes the pattern.  
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