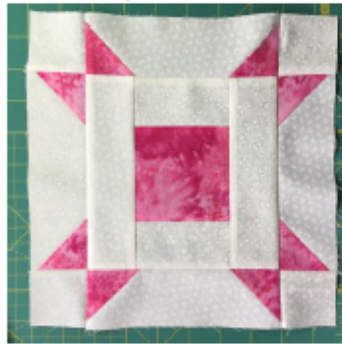


**May Block of the Month - :Surprise Stars**  
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**Surprise Stars 9 1/2"**

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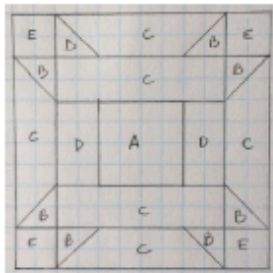


**Cutting:**



From a bright Easter colour:  
 1 piece A: 3 1/2" x 3 1/2"  
 8 piece B: 2" x 2"

From white on white:  
 6 piece C: 2" x 6 1/2"  
 2 piece D: 2" x 3 1/2"  
 4 piece E: 2" x 2"



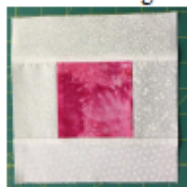
The block has a lot of white space so be sure to choose a vibrant colour.

**Construct the block:**

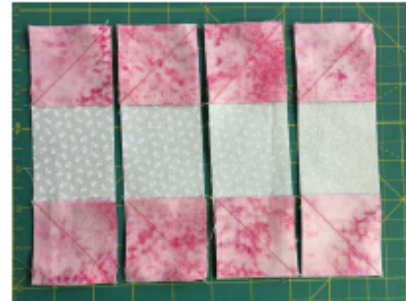
Add piece D to each side of piece A. Press.



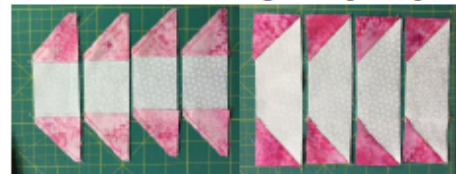
Add piece C to each remaining side to make a box.



Draw a diagonal line on each coloured piece E. Place piece E right sides together to each end of piece C. Stitch on the diagonal line as shown. Make four.



Trim the extra fabric triangles and press open.



For two of the triangle strips, add a white piece E to each end, pressing seam to the outside.



Add a triangle strip to each side of the box block. Press seams toward the centre. Assemble these three rows into the block.



Since the stars form from neighbouring blocks, teamwork will make the stars come out.