

# Mexican Stars

## 1. Cutting Instructions:

(The cutting instructions are based on a minimum of 42" fabric width.)

<b>Fabrics</b>	<b>Number of cross-grain strips to cut</b>	<b>Sub-cut strips into:</b>
<b>Light</b> (background)	2 – 5½" strips	8 – 5½" squares 4 – 1½" x 5½" strips
	2 – 3½" strips <b>!!</b>	4 – 3½" squares 1 – 3½" strip (strip-set 3)
	1 – 2½" strip	1 – 2½" strip (strip-set 1)
	2 – 1½" strips	8 – 1½" x 4½" strips 4 – 1½" x 3½" strips
----- <b>Light</b> *an alternate background of equal value may be used	4 – 3" strips* 4 – 2½" strips*	48 – 3" squares (folded) 4 – 2½" strips for border
<b>Dark</b> (red)	3 – 1½" strips <b>!!</b> 2 – 3½" strips	3 – 1½" strips (strip-sets 1, 3) 2 – 3½" strips (strip-set 2)
	1 – 2½" strip	4 – 2½" squares (folded) cut remaining strip down to: 4 – 2" squares (folded) 4 – 1½" squares (folded)
	<b>Medium</b> (orange or light red)	2 – 1½" strips
<b>Bright</b> accent (gold, yellow)	1 – 1½" strip	9 – 1½" squares
<b>Medium</b> sashing (multi-fabric)	4 – 1½" strips	4 – 1½" x 9½" strips 28 – 1½" x 4½" strips

\* Variation: For my background I used a very light variegated hand-dyed background. You may use two very similar backgrounds to create a more sparkling effect for your wall hanging. It is important to use fabrics that look almost alike to achieve a subtle glow without overpowering the other fabrics.

**!!** (One extra strip may be needed depending on the width of your fabric) **!!**

*NOTE: The word "folded" as part of the cutting instructions indicates that these pieces will be folded later. A detailed explanation on folding will follow on page 3 and 4.*

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## Fabric Supplies

Light (background) or Light 1 Light 2	1 - 1/2 yards 3/4 yards 3/4 yards
Dark (red)	1/2 yard
Medium (Lt. Red,)	1/4 yard
Bright (gold)	1/8 yard
Medium (multi)	1/3 yard
Backing	1 yard
Batting	36" square
Binding	1/4 yard

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