

Fair Isles Winter Block 9

Urban Star

12" x 12" (12-1/2" unfinished)

Foundation Pieced Pattern by Morning Glory Designs



Cutting List:

This block is foundation pieced. The patches in the cutting list have larger than normal seam allowance added around all pieces to allow for foundation piecing. Label all pieces with the letter shown.

From white on white print:

- Cut 8 rectangles 2" x 3" (B)
- Cut 8 rectangles 3" x 4" (C, D)
- Cut 8 rectangles 2" x 4" (H, I)

From light blue batik:

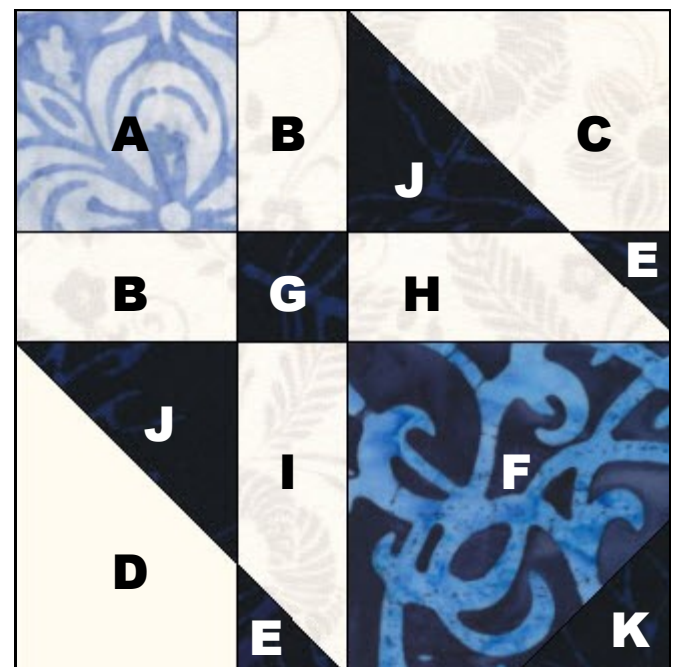
- Cut 4 squares 3" x 3" (A)

From medium blue batik:

- Cut 4 squares 4" x 4" (F)

From dark blue batik:

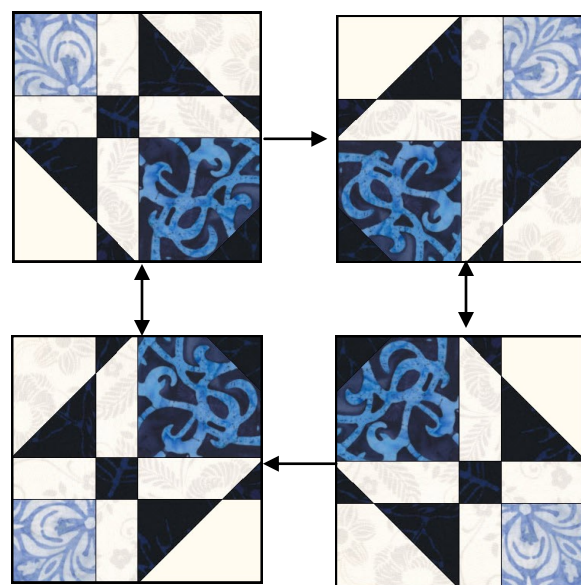
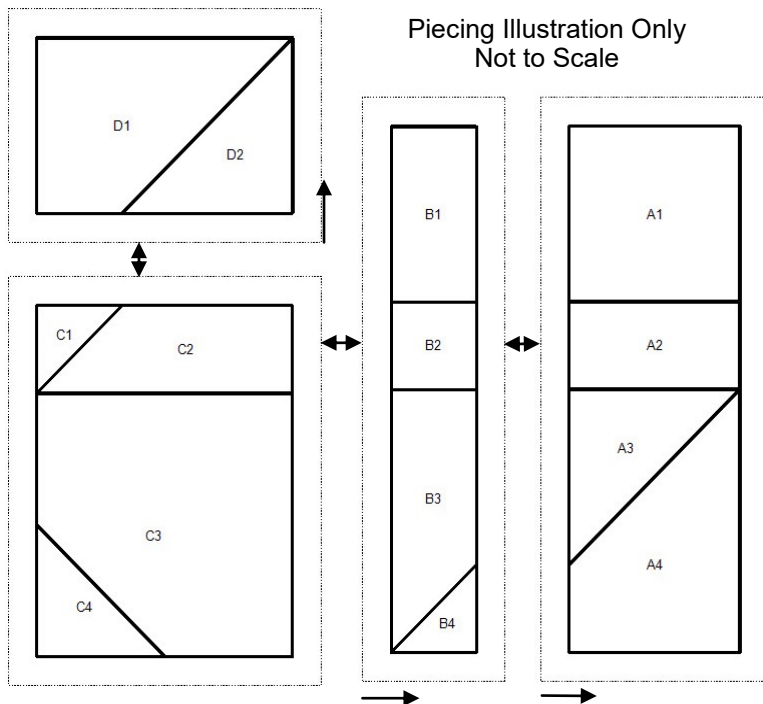
- Cut 4 squares 2-1/2" x 2-1/2"; cut once on the diagonal to make 8 triangles (E)
- Cut 4 squares 2" x 2" (G)
- Cut 4 squares 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"; cut once on the diagonal to make 8 triangles (J)
- Cut 2 squares 3" x 3"; cut once on the diagonal to make 4 triangles (K)



Instructions:

1. Print 1 copy of the 4-page foundation pattern on light-weight paper, velum, or newsprint. Check the 1" test squares on each pattern page to be sure that the foundations have printed out at 100%. Even the tiniest error will decrease the overall size of the completed block.
2. Label each foundation pattern with the fabric color for each patch. Remember that foundation patterns are reversed! So the printed side of the pattern will be the back of the block.
3. Piece all similar foundations at one time, chain piecing using the pre-cut patches.
4. Pin the fabric right side up to the unprinted side of the foundation, covering the entire patch.

5. Sew on the printed side of the foundation. (This pattern assumes you know how to foundation piece. If you are new to foundation piecing, please watch one of the many excellent YouTube video demos on the technique before beginning. Here are some links: *Connecting Threads*: http://www.connectingthreads.com/tutorials/Learn_how_to_Paper_Piece_D61.html; and another example on my blog: <http://blog.morningglorydesigns.net/2016/11/day-5-of-rubys-treasures-blog-hop.html>.)
6. Piece each foundation section, pressing as you go.
7. When all sections are pieced, trim the foundation on the outer (light) cutting lines. You should have a full 1/4" seam allowance on all sides from the inner (dark) sewing lines.
8. Begin by piecing the four identical quarters of the block. There are four sections in each quarter shown at right.
9. To assemble the quarter block sew Section A to Section B matching seams.
10. Remove the paper from the seam allowance between A and B. Press toward A.
11. Sew section D to section C.
12. Remove the paper from the seam allowance between C and D. Press the seam toward D.
13. Sew Section CD to Section B matching seams. Remove the paper in the seam allowance and press the seam toward B.
14. The completed quarter should look like the block at right.
15. Complete the remaining three quarters in the same way as steps 9-13.
16. Arrange the four quarter blocks with the light blue A squares in the outer corners and the dark blue K triangles in the center.
17. Sew the four sections together in pairs matching seams. Press one seam to the right and the other seam to the left, so seams will nest when the two halves of the block are joined.
18. Join the two halves of the block. Press the seam open.
19. Remove all the paper from the back of the block.
20. Press the block and trim to 12-1/2" x 12-1/2" square.



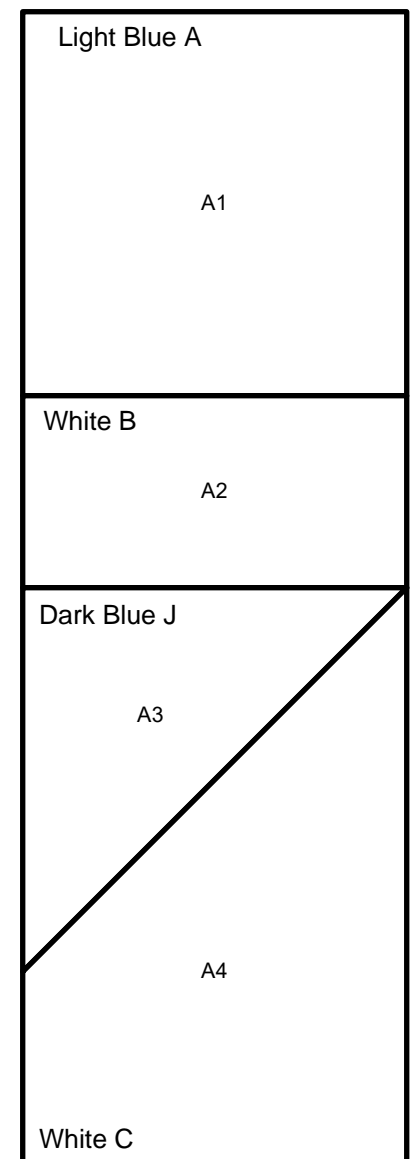
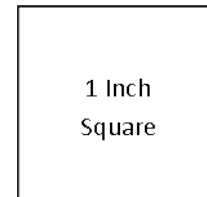
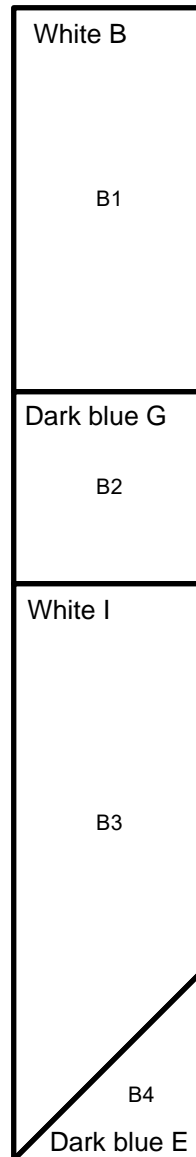
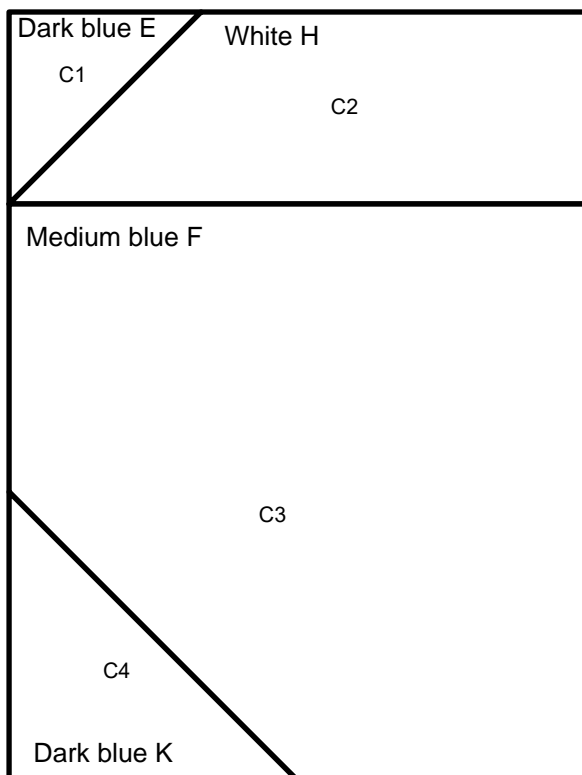
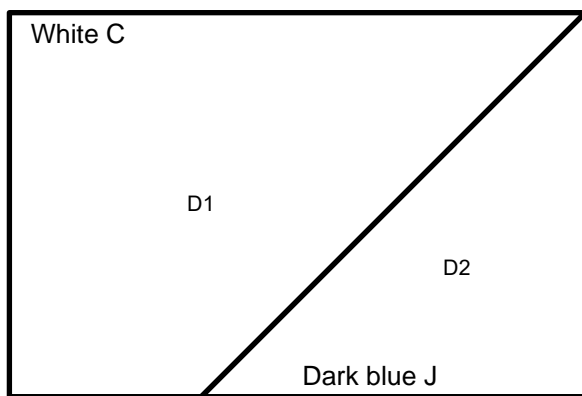
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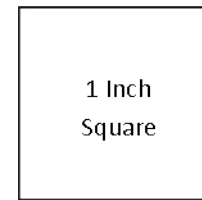
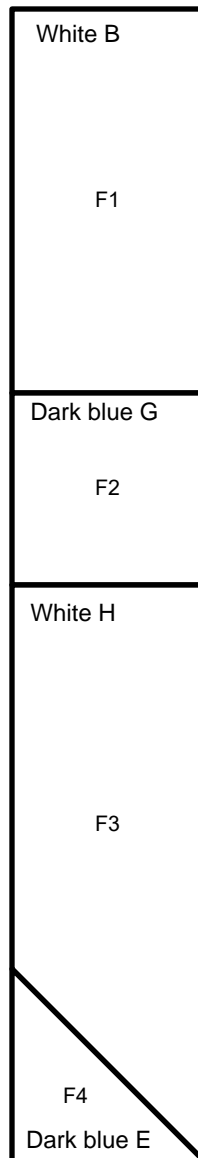
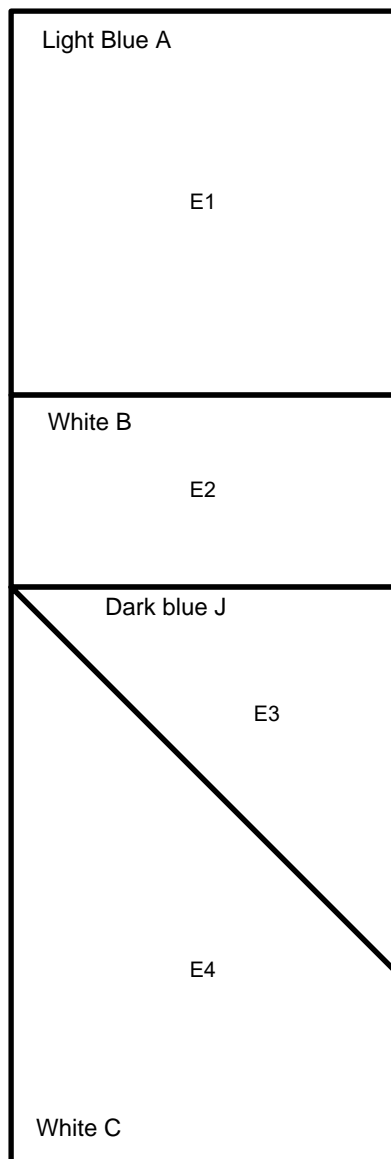
White C = fabric and size from cutting list.

D1 = order in which pieces are added to the foundation.

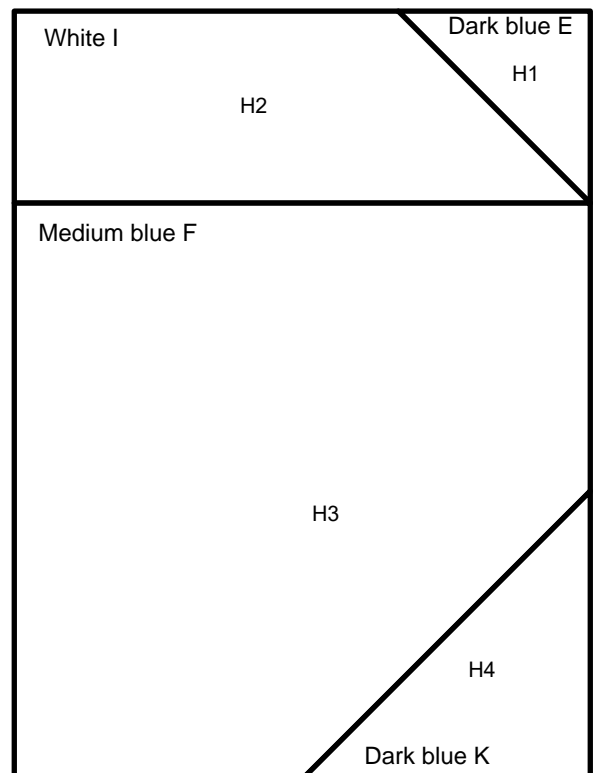
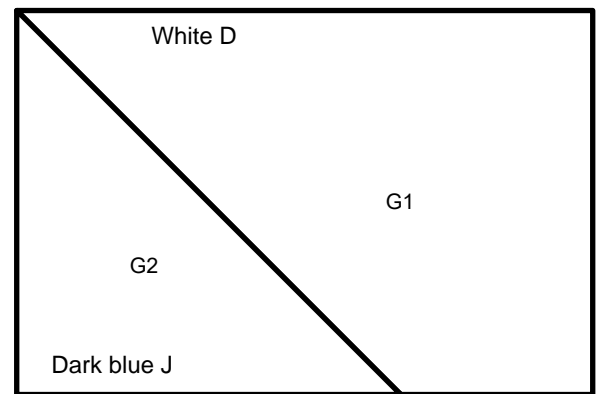
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Sew on the printed side of the paper foundations.

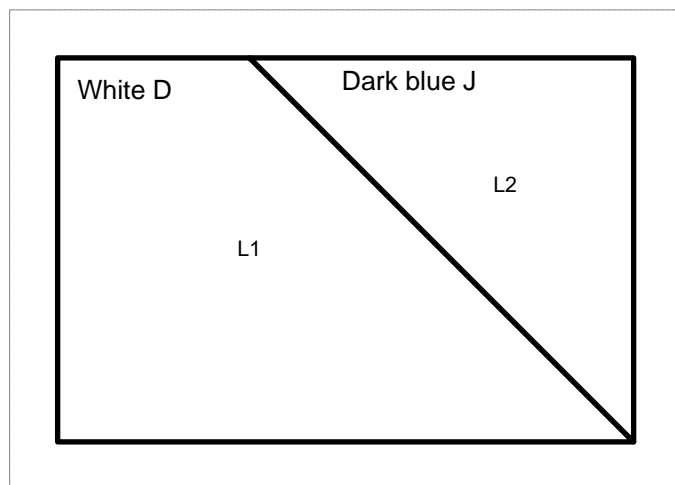
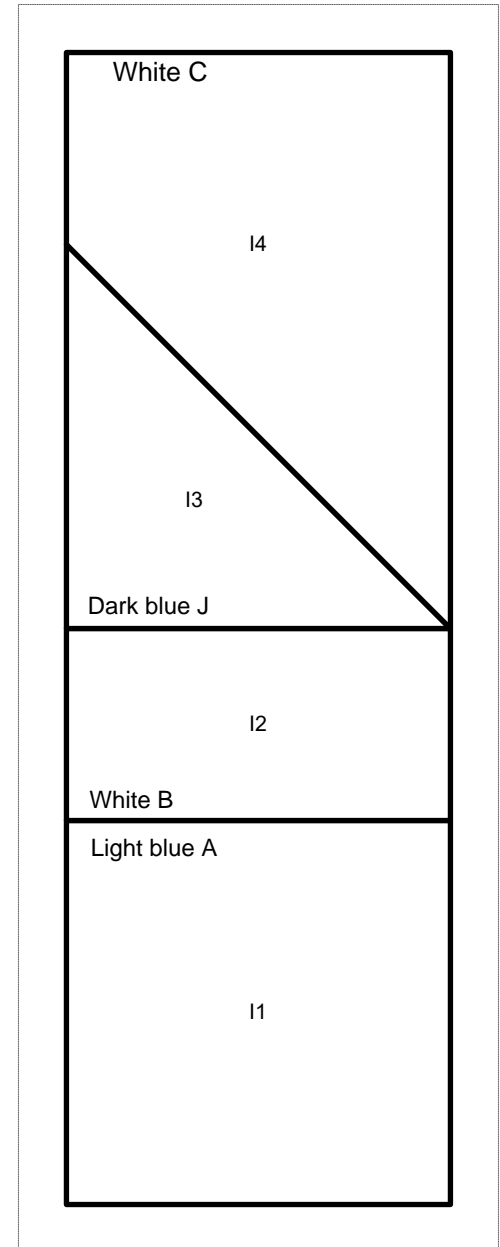
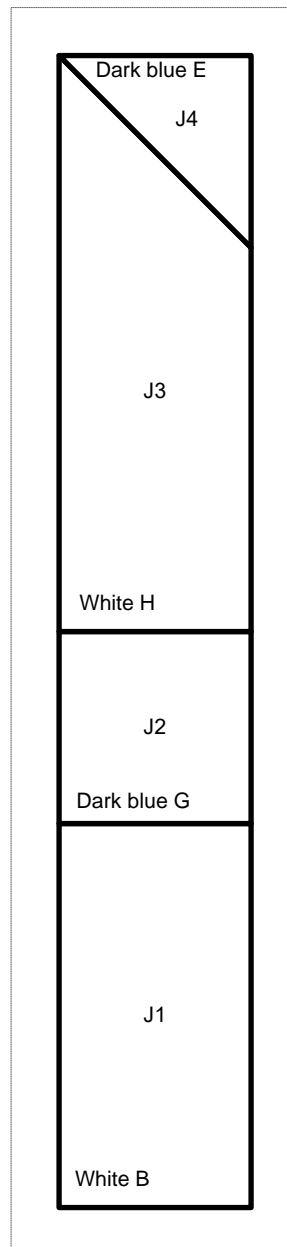
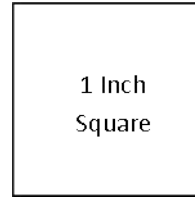
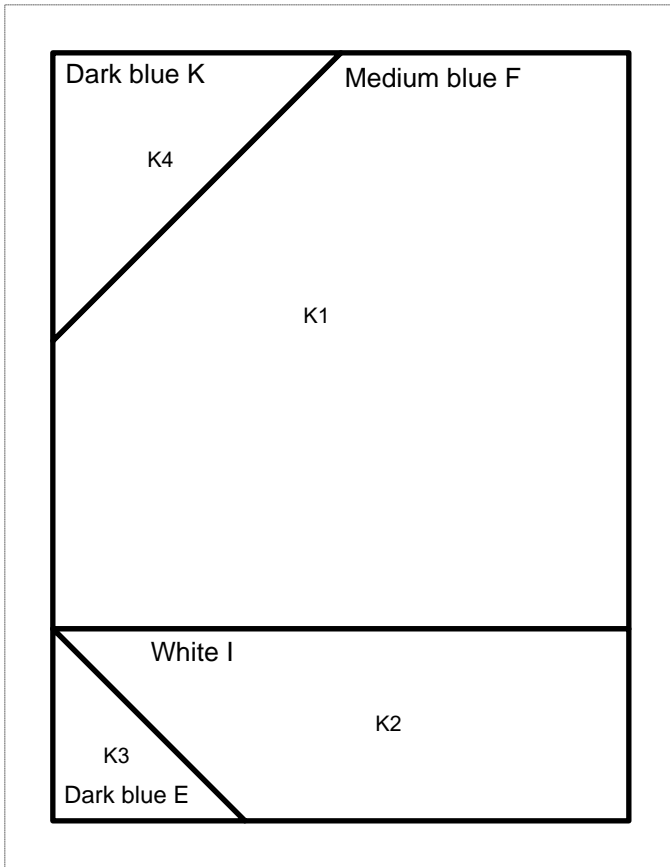


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