MARLEY

RAINBOW SCRAP CHALLENGE 2015 SAWTOOTH STAR SAMPLER

FABRIC

This block comes from a 3.5 inch strip of dark pink and background along with 2.5 inch strips of lighter pink and background.

CUTTING

Most of the pieces for this block are pretty straight forward. Flying geese can easily be cut using the companion angle for the goose part and the easy angle to make the background. Because this block has two sized of geese, it needs two sized of strips.

From the darker pink, use a 3.5 inch strip to cut one dark triangle with the companion angle ruler. From the background, use a 3.5 inch strip to cut 2 background triangles using the easy angle ruler. From the lighter pink, use a 2 inch strip to cut 2 triangles with the companion angle ruler. From the background fabric, use a 2 inch strip to cut 2 background triangles with the easy angle ruler. From the same strip of background fabric, cut one triangle using the companion angle ruler. So far so good, right?





The only problem was the wings on the bottom are rectangular to fill in the extra blank space. After much consideration, I decided to go with the "make it bigger and trim it down later" school of thought. I probably went a little overboard, but it worked and I moved on. If I were making a quilt full of these blocks I would figure out the exact measurement for sure.

So with the easy angle ruler, I slid the fabric down to the 4.5 inch line and used the upright portion of the ruler to cut 2 longer background sections. You could also just make an regular pink flying goose and fill in the ends, but that would mean extra work and extra seams.

SEWING



This block gets pieced in three rows.

For row 1, sew a background triangle to each side of the dark pink goose. Press seams away from the

For row 2, sew the three geese together with the background goose in the middle. Alternate the blocks up and down. Add a background triangle to

either side.

For row 3, sew one of the longer background pieces to either side of a single goose. Sew the three rows together, making sure to match the center of the bottom goose up with the center of the row above. There is extra fabric hanging off of either end, just trim it off after the block is sewn and pressed.

FINISHING

Your 6.5 inch unfinished block will now serve as the center of a sawtooth star block. Sew the star points with the tutorial found here. Insert the sampler block into the center of a sawtooth star following the tutorial seen here.





