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Stellar Quilts



Synopsis

Stellar means "exceptional" or "outstanding." It also means "of or relating to stars." Stellar Quilts, then, are star quilts that are also exceptional quilts. In Stellar Quilts Judy Martin does for stars what she did for Log Cabins: She creates breathtakingly beautiful quilts and explains clearly how to make them. Stellar Quilts features: * 13 complete and accurate quilt patterns* each pattern presented in 3 sizes* color photos* big detail photos* lots of color variations* lots of setting variations* lots of stellar ideas and tips to help you* your choice of templates or rotary cutting Each pattern has* big color photo of entire quilt* closeup photo showing fabric and quilting* fat quarter requirements* patch quantity requirements* quilt size and block size listed* piecing diagrams, complete with what direction to press the seams and what order to sew the patches* quilt construction diagram* pieced border* quilting suggestions Stellar designs + stellar instructions = stellar tips = Stellar Quilts. Now that's a simple equation for making your most memorable quilts ever!

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Customer Reviews

I have no problem admitting that I am biased when it comes to Judy Martin. As an author, she goes way back on my bookshelves - back to the 80's. She is a master at designing extraordinary quilts using ordinary blocks and basic techniques. Given that I have 4 of her books already, I snatched up "Stellar Quilts" as soon as it became available on . It is very similar to her earlier publication "Scraps", but obviously focuses on star shapes in refreshingly not-so-obvious ways. I would rate this book as somewhat advanced, but not exclusively so. If you are a quilter who has truly mastered the 1/4 inch seam (I know, I know, we all like to think - or assume - we have ...), this book will

challenge you to stretch your knowledge of the fundamentals. Using spectacular sets, curious shapes, optional templates, and a multitude of color/set variations, Judy Martin delivers a thoroughly top-notch publication. The first 10 pages of introduction are simply the most informative and useful I have ever read in a quilting book. If you were to judge this book by thumbing through it, you might be a bit alarmed at the colorful assortment of templates and unfamiliar shapes you see. Martin provides rotary cutting details as an option to using the templates, and even these illustrations might cause you to gulp a bit audibly. But the idea here is to test and push yourself a bit, and Martin's text will tell you all you need to know and give you confidence to do more. And don't be squeamish when you see Y-seams, required point trimming, and partial seams! If you've been avoiding every book that has these techniques, then make this the year you face them head on and master them.

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