

SEVEN STARS

SEVEN STARS is a romantic sounding name, but the quilt really deserves this lofty title. It's a beauty, and the design formed by the 12 light diamond-shaped units within, is striking enough to warrant a third color. For instance, use white for these, with the red and yellow prints suggested. This would mean 42 red diamonds, 12 white and only six yellow which sew in at the six outermost points of each block. Of course this is a rather difficult one to piece, as blocks sew in, rather than all going in straight seams.

Cardboard patterns are made exactly like the ones here given. Draw around these onto material, but cut a seam larger and then sew back to the pencil line. As the Seven Star block is a good 20 inches across, and about 24 long, set together on all sides with the large yellow triangles, it only takes from 9 to 16 blocks depending on the size and borders wanted, to make a quilt. We cannot give exact cutting pattern for the large triangle here, but it is easily made this way: Mark an angle from your diamond block, extend 12 inches from each apex and connect. This should make equal angles and equal sides, about 11 1/2 or 12 inches on each side.

Material estimate: Sixteen blocks without border finish about 86 by 96 inches. This requires 11 1/2 yards: 6 yards red, 4 1/2 yards yellow, and one yard of white for the inner diamonds.

Quilting suggestions: The Feather Circle, six inches in diameter, would make an interesting pattern for the large triangles. This is No. 253—6 inches, at 20 cents. In ordering, please mention size.

