## Exploding Stars $30^{\prime \prime} \times 30^{\prime \prime}$

This easy Exploding Star pattern uses the Creative Grids Half Rectangle Trim Tool to make a stunning quilt for your wall or table. This class will demonstrate how to make successful 4 patch blocks, and to use the trim tool to make half rectangles. Tips will be given throughout the class, including sewing, pressing, pinning and how to finish a quilt top with confidence.

## Supply List for Exploding Stars

Pattern-Exploding Star by Deb's Cats $N$ Quilts Designs. It can be purchased online for $\$ 6$ or order through a local quilt shop.

## Fabrics

## Please cut out your fabrics before class.

$1 / 2$ yard for Background (cream in the photo)
2/3 yard for background squares and border (blue in the photo)
$1 / 2$ yard for stars and inner border (green in the photo)
$1 / 3$ yard for binding (can be the same as the star fabric) (green in the photo)
$1 / 4$ yard for inner squares and inner border (optional) (yellow in the photo)

Neutral colored thread to match the background fabric.
Creative Grids Half Rectangle Trim Tool CGRDH6 (\$29) It can also be ordered on the Cats N Quilts Designs website or order from a local quilt shop.

Basic Sewing Supplies including rotary cutter, ruler, $101 / 2$ square ruler (optional), scissors, pins, seam ripper, small iron, pressing mat.

Sewing machine with $1 / 4$ " presser foot, extra sewing machine needles.

## Cutting Directions

## Select the colors you would like to use for this quilt.

Background- Cream
Cut $15^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF. Sub-cut $1621 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles
Cut 2 2" x WOF strips for 4-patch strip sets
Cut $12^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strip. Sub-cut $162^{\prime \prime}$ squares or cut 12 out of the background and 42 " squares out of the yellow.

Blue $\quad$ Cut $3 \quad 31 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips of outer border
Cut $22^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips for 4 patch strip sets
Cut $21 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips. Sub-cut $161 \frac{1}{2} \times{ }^{\prime \prime} \times$
Cut 1 1 $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ square

Green (Stars) Cut $1621 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 5^{\prime \prime}$ rectangles and $411 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ squares
Cut $4 \quad 1 \frac{1}{2} / 2^{\prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips. Sub-cut $41 / 2^{\prime \prime} \times 101 / 2^{\prime}$. Use the rest for the inner border.

Yellow (optional) Cut $42^{\prime \prime}$ squares as indicated above.
Cut 4 strips $1 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime}$ strips $\times$ WOF for the inner border.

Binding Cut $42 \frac{1}{2 \prime \prime} \times$ WOF strips.

