## THE LONE STAR QUILT

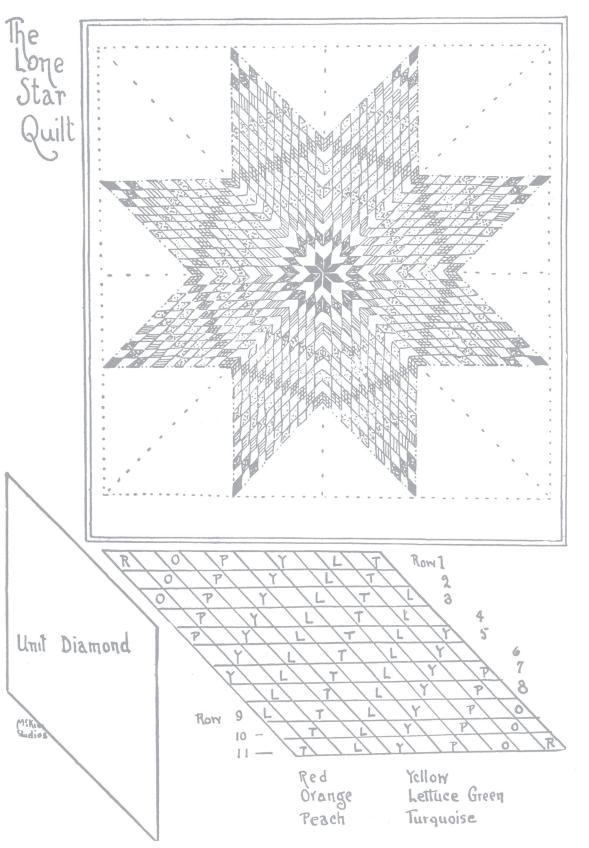
LONE STAR, sometimes called "Star of the East" or "Star of Bethlehem," is one of the more ambitious projects in quilt making, and yet the result is so effective that many have completed coverlets of this design. In making any quilt, one should think of the top as a whole; in making a Lone Star it is imperative.

Using the unit diamond to finish the size here given, that is by allowing a seam extra all around, the large star will measure large enough for a very large spread, about 90 inches. Or by cutting the diamonds the pattern size and not allowing extra seams the large star is really a better size, about 68 inches across. Borders may be added in the proportion shown, widest at the bottom to make the quilt longer than wide. You must lay out your color scheme first on a checked diamond as here shown which represents 1/8 of the complete star. Any radiation of color may be planned, either extending out with all different hues or repeating to double back as in the color scheme suggested.

The diamonds are pieced together in rows, the rows then joined with careful corner matching to form the huge diamond, eight of which make the star. Background triangles have to be cut the exact number of inches that your star points finish—about 25 inches in the quilt shown.

For quilting we suggest the large rising sun, No 708P, to fill in the squares and half squares.

Material Estimate: The Lone Star quilt requires 4 inches of red, 12 inches orange, 20 inches peach, 28 inches yellow, 36 inches lettuce green, 44 inches turquoise, which is four yards for the colored diamonds; four yards for the white diamonds and 3 1/2 yards for setting together as shown— 11 1/2 yards in all.





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