MYSTERY '97 — CROSSED STARS

Yardage:

A — Dark — 1 yard

B — Light/Medium — ½ yard

C — Dark/Medium — ½ yard

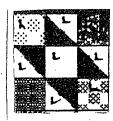
D — Lights -- total of 2 1/4 yards OK to use a variety of lights

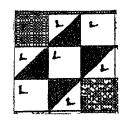
Dark — Cut 6 strips 5" wide into 48 5" squares Light — Cut 6 strips 5" wide, into 48 5" squares Mark light squares diagonally across center and sew dark/light squares together 1/4" each side of diagonal line. Cut into 96 triangle/squares. After pressing, trim squares to an exact 4½".

Lights — Cut 9 strips $4\frac{1}{2}$ " wide into 72 $4\frac{1}{2}$ " squares These are used in all areas marked "L". Try for a good mix and a pleasing placement

Dark/Medium — Cut 3 strips 4½" wide in 24 4½" squares. Light/Medium — Cut 3 strips 4½" wide in 24 4½" squares. Since these squares will come together in a 4-patch, there should be some contrast between light and dark medium.

When all the pieces are cut, sew them into 12 each of the two blocks shown below.



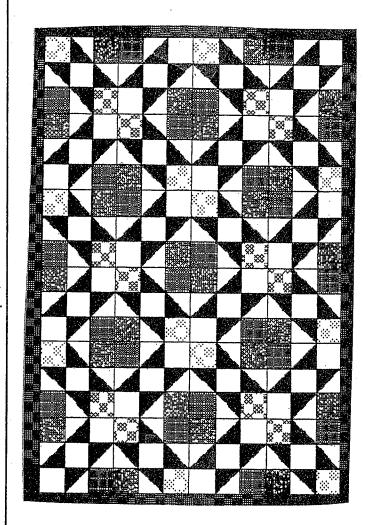


Border: Cut 7 2" strips from ½ yard border fabric.

Sew all the strips together, end to end, and use them to sew first the side borders, then the top and bottom borders to the quilt.

Binding: Cut 7 2" strips from ½ yard binding fabric. Sew end to end with diagonal seams, fold and press in half lengthwise, and bind quilt.

Total quilt size will be 51" x 75".



Note: If you prefer to use a more controlled combination of lights, use

Light #1, 6 strips 5"wide, to join with darks for triangle squares.

From the same Light #1, cut 6 strips $4\frac{1}{2}$ wide into 48 $4\frac{1}{2}$ squares to use in all areas that show plain white.

From Light #2, cut 3 strips 4½" wide into 24 4½" squares to use in all areas that show a patterned light.

You will need 1 3/4 yards Light #1 and ½ yard of Light #2