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Stairway to the Stars is my pattern. I wanted to create a pattern using the new Traditional Log Cabin Technique Sheet that uses Deb Tucker's Trucker Trimmer III. I also wanted to add some interest to the traditional Log Cabin blocks which led to adding the Wedge Stars and their variations. These star blocks need the Tucker Trimmer III for trimming to precision, so why not add some interest to the Log Cabin blocks with these stars?

Stairway to the Stars



Required tools: Tucker Trimmer III, Traditional Log Cabin Technique Sheet; Wedge Star; Diamond Four Patch Wedge, Twisted Wedge, and Edged Wedge Technique Sheets, and Magic Wand

Options available:

- (1)Everything under required to make the pattern \$100
- (2) Traditional Log Cabin blocks and 2 types of Wedge Stars \$78 (come with the tool)

This is a three day project

Kits will be provided with the Tools and Technique Sheets day of classes that includes at least a 25% discount plus tax for QSC members. Patterns will be provided to the students registered for the class.

Day 1: Getting familiar with and making the Traditional Log Cabin blocks that uses a new Technique Sheet from Deb Tucker for the Tucker Trimmer III. As with all techniques and tools from Deb Tucker, these blocks are made using oversized strips and trimming to precision.

Days 2 and 3: Start to learn the process of making Wedge Stars with two of the options that come with the tool. All the Wedge Stars are started with oversized strips, made into units, creating octagons. Trimmed with the Tucker Trimmer III and with Corner Stones added, made ready for the final trim of the Wedge Star blocks. Continue by adding the Technique Sheets and make some beautiful Wedge Star variations.

Equipment and Supplies Basic sewing including a sewing machine with accurate 1/4" seam. Other: cutting mat, rotary cutter, 100% cotton thread, marking pen/pencil, seam ripper, pins. **Invisgrip** for the back of the Wedge Star for extra lines, and an ultra fine sharpie marker to draw lines.; **regular ruler 6 1/2" x 12 1/2" with a 45 degree line**; and regular 6 1/2" x 24 1/2" ruler for cutting strips.

Fabric Requirements: for pattern only Stairway to The Stars

Background: 1 1/2 yards
Light: 1/2 yard
Light Medium (light brown) 1/4 yard

Medium 1 (purple):

Includes Inner Border 1/2 yard
Medium 2 (green): 3/4 yard
Med/Dark (green): 1/2 yard
Dark 1 (green print): 2 yards

Includes Outer Border (Length of fabric and binding)

Dark 2 (dark green): 1/2 yard