

Spokes Quilt Block

Block directions and guidelines for the July 2014 Block Lotto

I couldn't call this block a snowflake or an asterisk because it has 8 spokes.

You can make a **MAXIMUM of NINE BLOCKS** for the drawing in July.

Fabric Guidelines

We're making this block in MONOCHROME combinations in colors of your choice. Fabrics can be solids, tone-on-tone (TOT) or multicolor prints that are predominately one color and read as one color from across the room. All fabrics in a single block should be the same color with value contrast. You can make blocks with a light background and darker spokes or the othe way around. The spokes in your block can be cut from one fabric or up to four.

If you make multiple blocks, you can repeat fabrics, but each block must be a unique fabric combination.

Cut Fabrics for One Block

From **BACKGROUND** fabric (shown in black):

- One 7 ¹/₂-inch square
- Four 1-inch by 2 ¹/₂-inch rectangles

From **SPOKES** fabric (shown in white):

• Four 1-inch by 7 ¹/₂-inch rectangles

Sewing the Block

1. Sew the small **BACKGROUND** rectangles to each end of TWO of the Spokes rectangles and press.





2. Slice the large background square diagonally. Insert one of the elongated strips in the slice, sew and press.



3. Repeat the process, slicing across the other diagonal.



4. Slice the block in half horizontally (3 ³/₄-inch from the top/bottom), insert one of the SPOKES fabric strips, sew and press.



5. Slice the block in half vertically (3 ³/₄-inch from either side), insert the last of the SPOKES fabric strips, sew and press. Square up the block to 7 ¹/₂-inches square.

