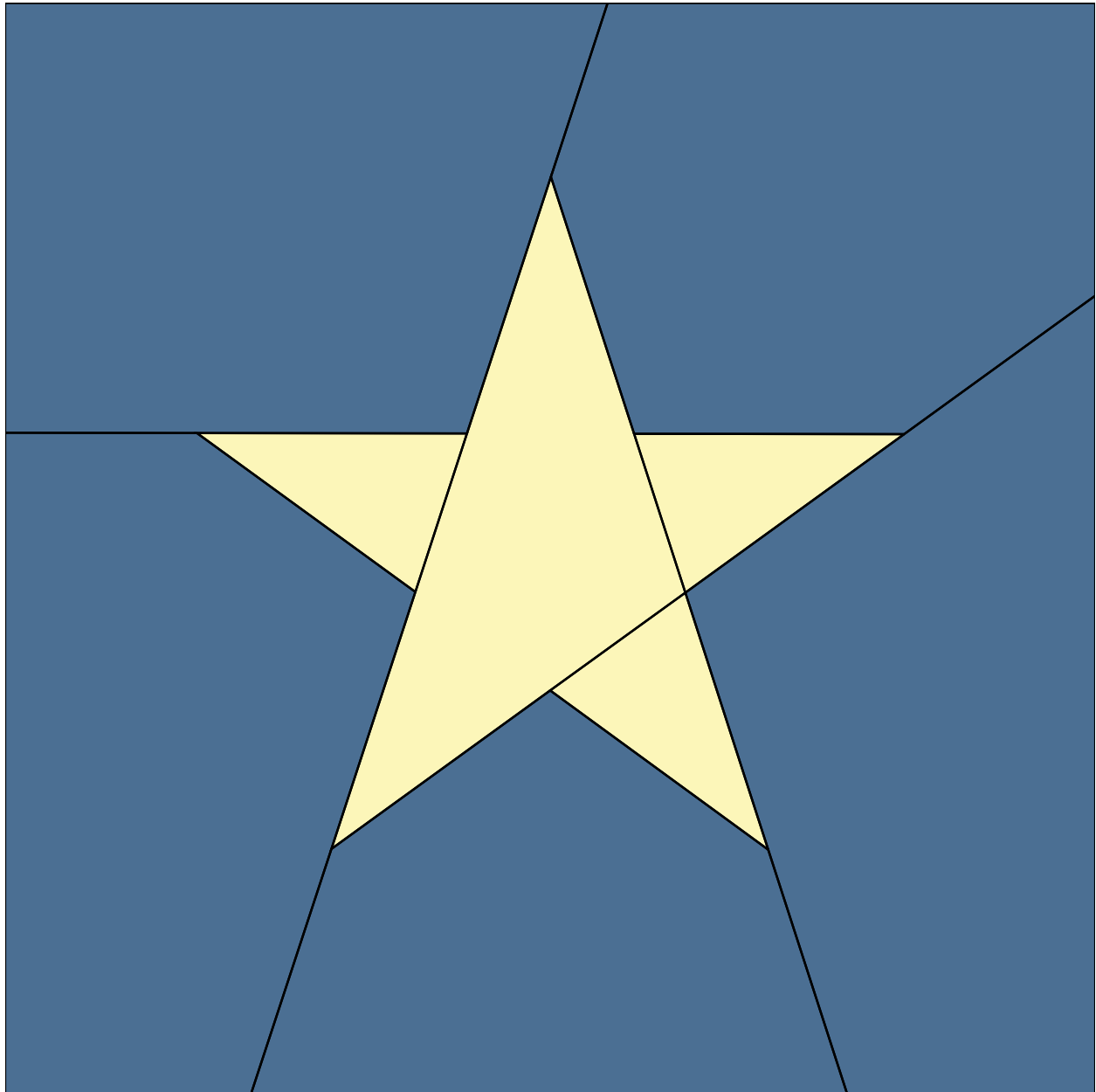


# Stars

*"I know many people feel like we are entering a dark time. For the benefit of us all, I hope that is not the case. But, America, if it is: Let us fill the sky with the light of a billion brilliant stars." - Kamala Harris*



**A Foundation Paper Piecing Pattern Collection  
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**Includes templates for 3in, 5in, and 8in square finished blocks**

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## Thank you!

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This pattern was inspired by a quote from Kamala Harris's 2024 concession speech. "I know many people feel like we are entering a dark time. For the benefit of us all, I hope that is not the case. But, America, if it is: Let us fill the sky with the light of a billion brilliant stars." This pattern is one way I hope to share my light with the world, and I'm thrilled to offer it to you for free.

In return, I kindly ask that you consider a small donation to a charity of your choice. I'll be supporting organizations dedicated to combating food insecurity, expanding access to affordable healthcare, reproductive health services (including abortion care and contraception), and those that work tirelessly to protect the safety and rights of historically marginalized communities, including people of color and LGBTQIA+ individuals. I hope you donate to any cause that aligns with your values.

I love seeing what you create! Share a photo and tag me @quiltbynight on Instagram or share to my email [quiltbynightpatterns@gmail.com](mailto:quiltbynightpatterns@gmail.com).

You are welcome to sell items made using this pattern on a small scale. Please credit me, quiltbynight, as pattern designer. Please do not sell or distribute any part of the written pattern or FPP templates.

If you loved this pattern, you may love some of my other creations. Follow along on Instagram or check out my Etsy. Go to <https://linktr.ee/quiltbynight> or scan the QR code to the right to find all my links.



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## Getting Started

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This pattern is suitable for confident beginners, but it assumes comfort with the basics of foundation paper piecing.

**When printing this pattern, be sure to print "actual size" or "100%".** Use the 1-inch square on the template pages to test your print size. You may choose to print the entire document or refer to the digital pattern for piecing instructions and only print the foundation paper piecing (FPP) templates (which start on page 5). If you're making multiple stars, print as many copies of the template as stars needed.

When sewing, use a short stitch length and fine thread. This will make removing paper easier and will help your seams lie flat. I personally prefer to keep my stitch length set at 1.6 for piecing and I use Wonderfil Invisafil 100wt of DecoBob 80wt thread for piecing.

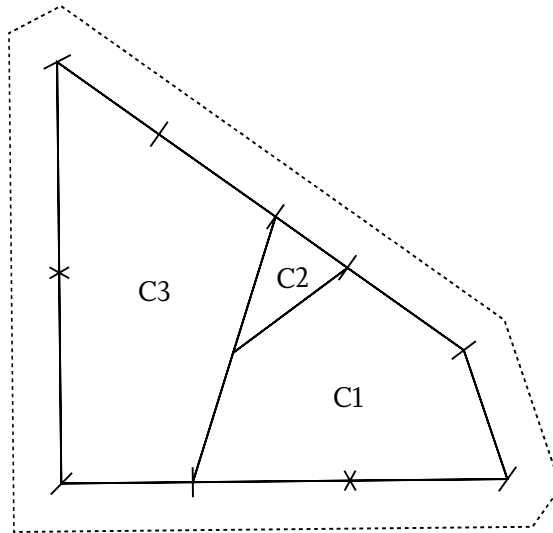
I love using semi-transparent paper such as June Tailor Perfect Piecing Foundation Paper or HTC Foundation Paper for FPP. Being able to see the printed lines on both sides of the paper makes aligning fabric much easier. Alternatively, you can use newsprint or regular printer paper.

Press as you go. I prefer to press each seam before attaching the next piece. For extra-flat seams—especially when joining sections—use a tailor's clapper. Flat seams make a big difference and help with cleaner piecing, easier joining, and smoother quilting.

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## Anatomy of this Pattern

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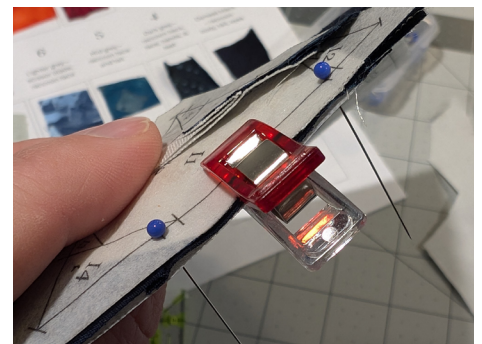
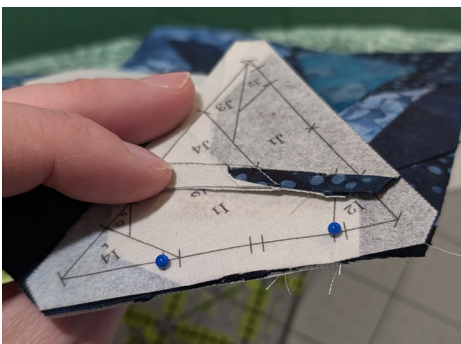


Before you start piecing, let's take a quick look at the anatomy of the paper piecing templates included with this pattern.

Each template uses a letter-number pair to indicate the unit ID and the piecing order. For example, in unit C shown above, you will attach fabric in the sequence C1, C2, then C3.

- Solid lines are the sewing lines.
- Dotted lines mark the seam allowance. Ensure your fabric covers both the seam allowance and the main template area.

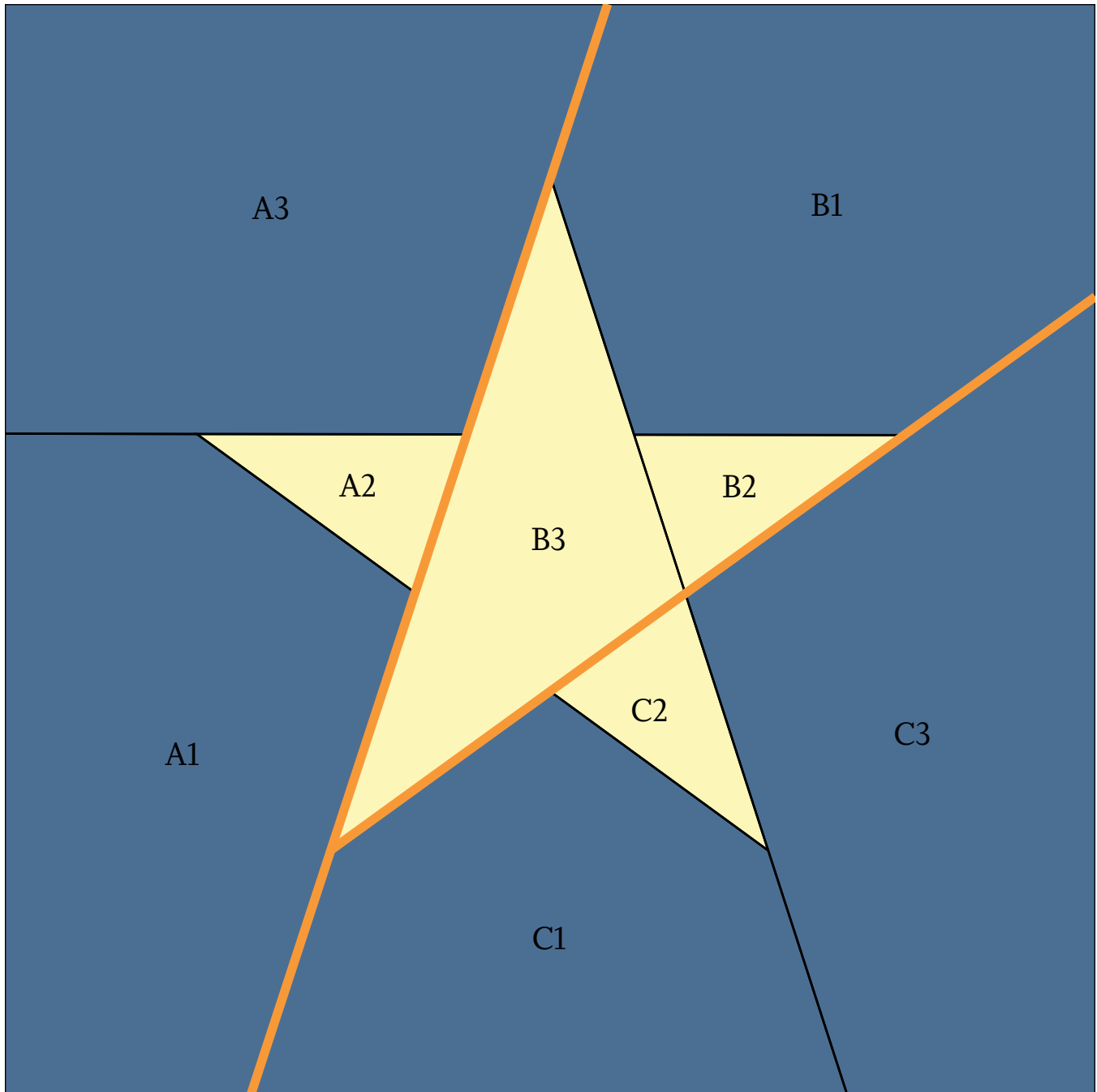
Along the outer sewing line of each unit, you'll see alignment markers, shown as "x"s and lines. These help you align pieces accurately when attaching units and sections. To align units, place pins directly through corresponding alignment markers on both pieces, as shown in the first two photos below (which shows sections from my "Like a Hungry Raccoon" pattern, which has more pieces but follows the same concepts). Once aligned, you can add quilting clips between the pins to hold everything in place, as shown in the third photo. Be sure to remove the pins from the alignment markers before sewing.



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## Piecing Diagram and Instructions

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The piecing diagram and instructions shown on this page are the same for all size variations. Make sure that you have all the template units for a given size when you begin piecing.

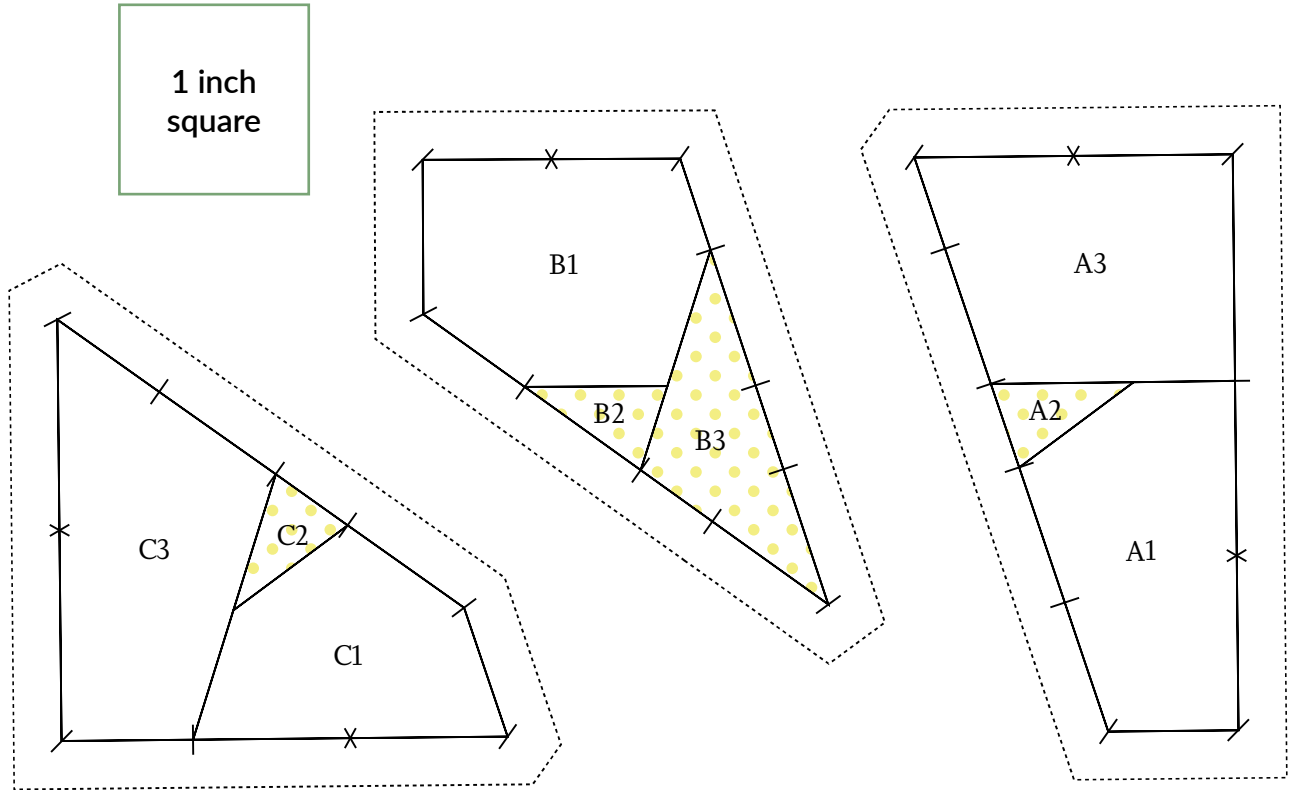
**Once you've assembled each of the sections (A, B, and C), bring them together by attaching B to C then A to BC as shown in the diagram above.**

Ta-da! Your block is complete. You can use this as part of a larger quilt or quilt and bind as a standalone mini quilt to use as a wall hanging, mug rug, etc...

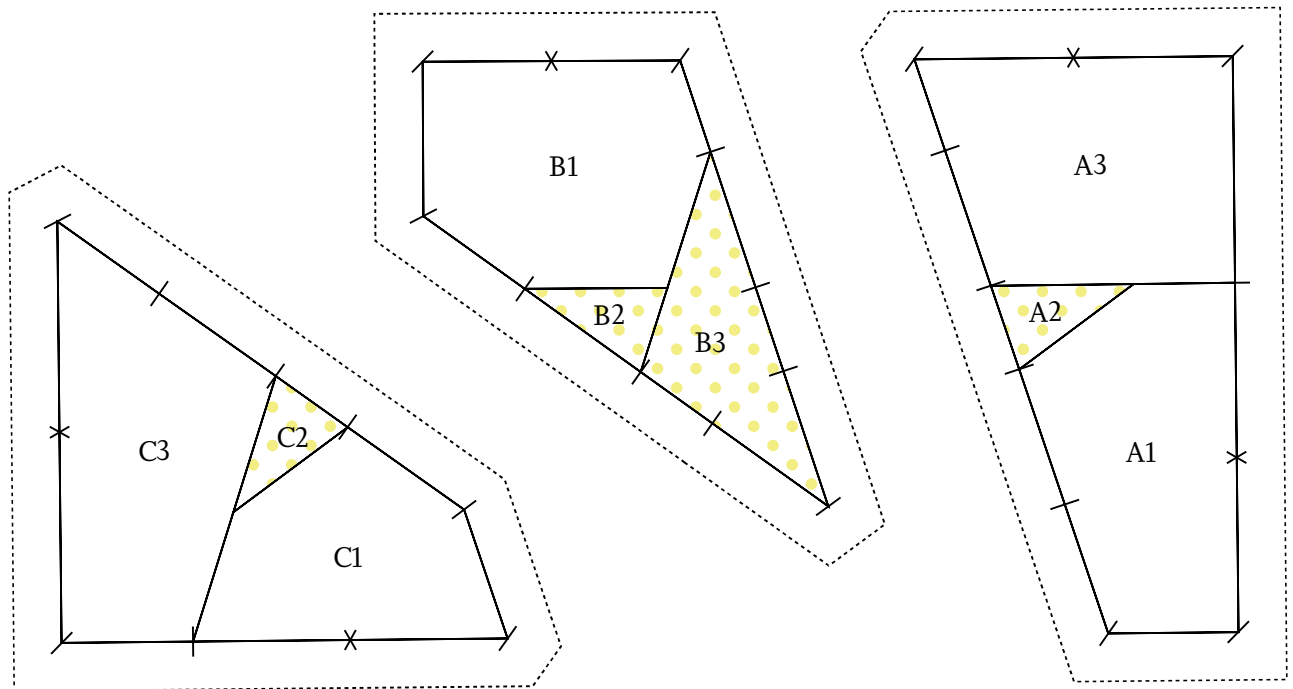


Please note that all colored diagrams in this pattern including this piecing diagram depict the fabric side of the finished quilt. The paper piecing templates are mirrored (as is typical for FPP templates); your fabric is sewn on to the back of the template and when you flip it over the final image will appear in the right direction.

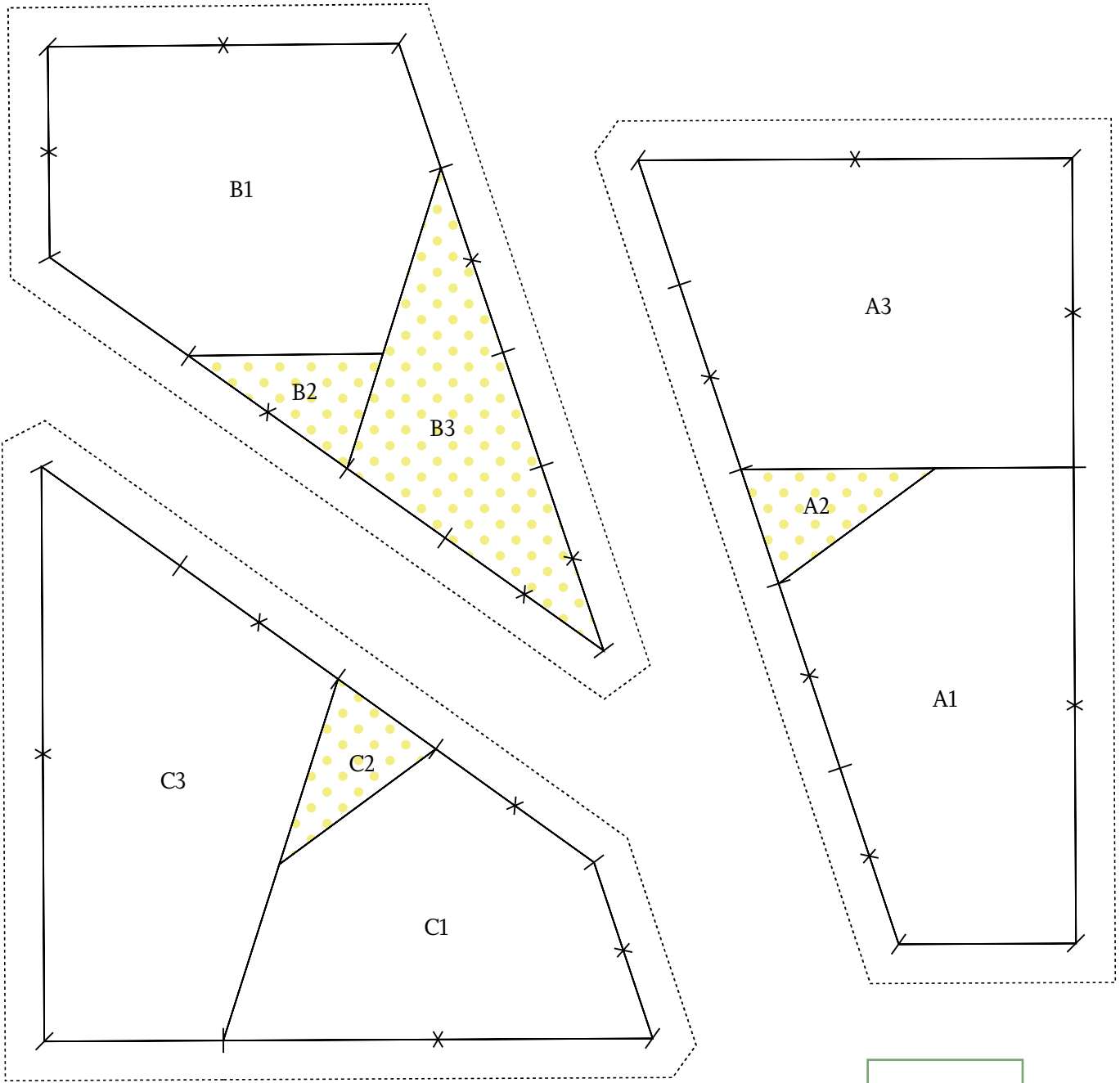
# 3 inch Star Templates



This page includes 2 copies of the 3inch templates to save on paper if you are making multiples.

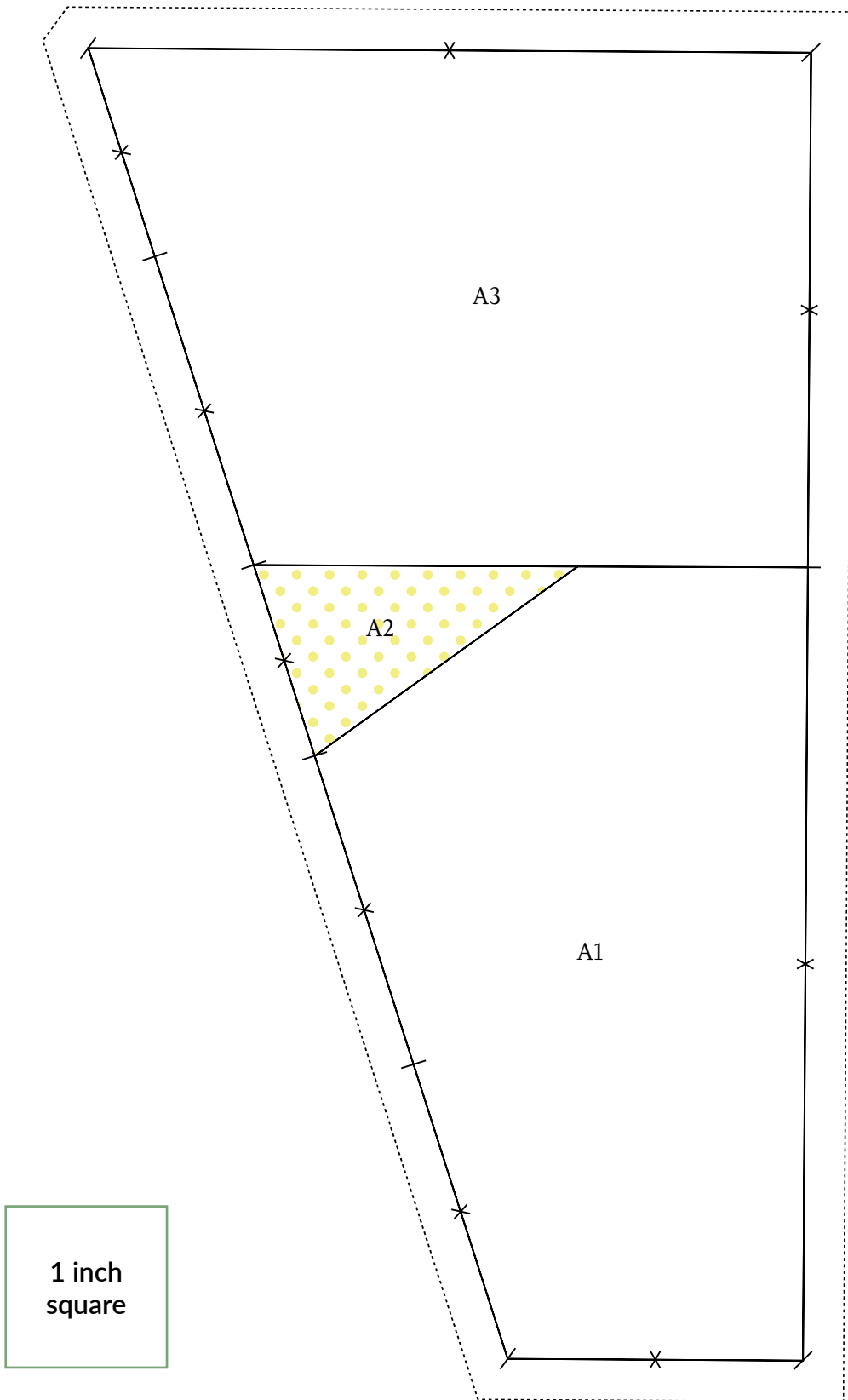


# 5 inch Star Templates



1 inch  
square

# 8 inch Star Templates - page 1 of 2



# 8 inch Star Templates - page 2 of 2

