Block of the Month 2021-2022, December
Reminder: Sewn blocks should MEASURE 12 $^1/_2$" square to finish to 12".
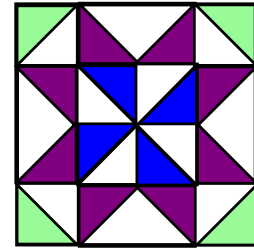
Evening star variation with central pinwheel patch
If you are bringing blocks to the January meeting for the traditional raffle, we suggest winter colors like greens and reds.

Cutting instructions:
Background:
Four 3 $^1/_2$ by 6 $^1/_2$" rectangles (for large flying geese)
Four 3 $^7/_8$" squares (for half-square triangles in large star and central pinwheel)

Color 1 (green in diagram):
Two 3 $^7/_8$" squares (for half-square triangles in large star)
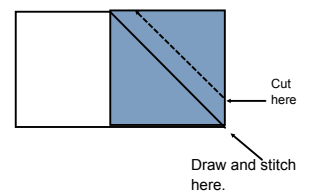
Color 2 (purple in diagram):
Eight 3 $^1/_2$" squares (for flying geese in larger star)

Color 3 (blue in diagram):
Two 3 $^7/_8$" squares (for half-square triangles in central pinwheel)

LARGER Flying Geese units: The SEWN size should be 3 $^1/_2$ by 6 $^1/_2$" rectangle.
On the back of each colored square, draw a diagonal line. Lay one square on the corner of a rectangle, and stitch on the drawn line. Cut ¼" away from this line as shown. Press open. Then repeat with the other square at the other side of the rectangle. (The picture only shows one of the sides.) Repeat three more times for a total of four flying geese units.
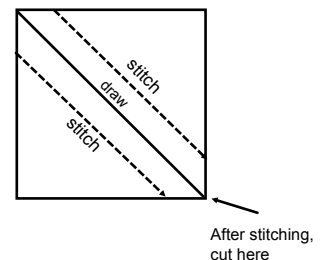The finished unit will look like this:

Half Square triangle units: The SEWN size is 3 $^1/_2$".
Draw a diagonal line on the back of one of the squares. Place one background square and one colored square right sides together. Stitch ¼" on each side of the square. Cut on the drawn line and press. You will have two half-square triangle units of the desired size. Repeat for the other pair of squares. You will have four half-square triangle units measuring 3 $^1/_2$".

For the central pinwheel, repeat the process for constructing the half square triangle units 2" squares in color 3 (blue in diagram). Construct the pinwheel in two rows. The finished unit should measure 6 $^1/_2$ by 6 $^1/_2$. Construct the complete block in three rows.