■ LONE STAR BACKGROUND FABRIC INFORMATION:

The table to the right includes Fabric References and yardage for the fabrics that make up the background for each of the Star Block Groups. To get the checkerboard look of the cover quilt, we have used Black and White. The cutting instructions for Fabrics A1:a and A1:b are in the following section.

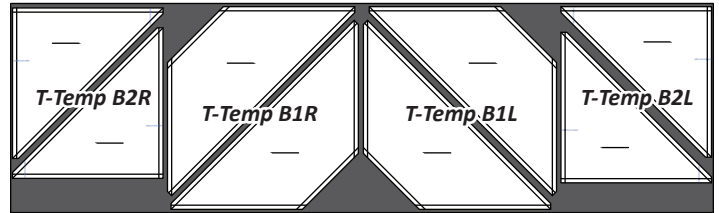| Background Fabrics for Diamonds	Yardage (In)	Fabric Swatches
Fabric A1:a (Black) (T-Temps B1L, B1R, B2L & B2R)	2-1/8 Yard, or 75" (6) 12-1/2" Strips	FABRIC SWATCH
Fabric A1:b (White) (T-Temps B1L, B1R, B2L & B2R)	2-1/8 Yard, or 75" (6) 12-1/2" Strips	FABRIC SWATCH

► Cutting Instructions for Lone Star Backgrounds

Step 1: Cut **(6)** 12-1/2" x 42" strips from each Fabric, A1:a & A1:b and place them *right-side-up* on your cutting table. You can stack them or cut them one at a time. This is up to you, just make sure that the cut is accurate for each piece.

Step 2: Repositionable glue, added to the backside of each paper T-Template before placing it on the paper, will help keep everything in place.

Step 3: Place the *T-Templates B1L, B1R, B2L, and B2R* on the Fabric strips as shown. Then, cut around each one carefully, on the outside solid black line. Reposition it for any additional cuts you make. The repositionable glue (and paper clips around the edges) makes it easy to remove it from the fabric, but keep everything secure during the second cut. Cut **(12)** pieces using each T-Template from each Fabric A2:a and A2:b. Make sure to cut the Smart Corners! These will help make for a perfect match when you assemble all of the pieces in this wall hanging.

Step 4: TRP lines have been added to these units as match points to make it a cinch to assemble your Goodnight Star quilt. However, these must be added to your fabric pieces before assembly. Set your machine to sew a basting stitch (stitch length approximately 2.8).

Step 5: Pre-mark the TRP lines on the fabric before sewing them in. There are a couple ways to pre-mark the fabric. One option is to stack **(4)** of each T-Template piece at a time, place the T-Template on top making sure to match everything perfectly. Then, remove the thread from your sewing machine and stitch through the template and fabrics on the TRP line to hole punch a guide-line. Rethread the machine, set your stitch length, and resew on each piece of fabric along the hole-punched line.

Step 6: You can also mark it with a washable marking pen. To do this, we fold back the T-Template on each piece of fabric on the TRP line and make a small mark. Then, we sew on the line with a basting stitch.