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DESIGNS

BLACK WHEN SKIES ARE GREY



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**FINISHED QUILT SIZE 48" x 56"**

**Finished Block Size 8" x 8"**

Measurements include  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.

Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Please check our website [www.rileyblakedesigns.com](http://www.rileyblakedesigns.com) for any revisions before starting this project. This pattern requires a basic knowledge of quilting technique and terminology. The quilt and block diagrams portrayed are virtual images. The layout and look of your project may differ when using actual fabric.

## FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

1 fat quarter black main (SC5600 Black)  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  yard (35 cm) black cloud (SC5602 Black)  
1 fat quarter gold rain (SC5603 Gold)  
1 fat quarter white rain (C5603 White)  
1 fat quarter black star (C5604 Black)  
1 fat quarter gold star (SC5604 Gold)  
1 fat quarter white star (C5604 White)  
1 fat quarter white plaid (SC5605 White)  
1 fat quarter gold words (C5606 Gold)  
1 fat quarter white words (C5606 White)  
1 yard (95 cm) black stripe (SC5601 Black)  
Binding  $\frac{3}{8}$  yard (60 cm)

## CUTTING REQUIREMENTS

Please read instructions first before cutting. Seam allowances vary so measure through the center of the quilt before cutting border pieces.

### Black Main

Cut 4 squares  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cut the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares once diagonally to create 32 small triangles.

### Black Cloud

Cut 1 strip  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x WOF. Cut the strip into 4 squares  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " and 2 squares  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut the  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares twice diagonally to create 16 large triangles.

Cut 1 strip  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x WOF. Cut the strip into 8 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cut the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares once diagonally to create 16 small triangles.

Cut 1 strip  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x WOF. Cut the strip into 16 squares  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".

### Gold Rain

Using the Gold Rain Cutting Diagram, carefully cut 2 squares  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ ", 4 squares  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ", 16 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ", and 8 squares  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut the  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares twice diagonally to create 8 large triangles. Cut the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares once diagonally to create 32 small triangles.

### White Rain

Cut 4 squares  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cut the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares once diagonally to create 32 small triangles.

### Black Star

Cut 4 squares  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut the  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares twice diagonally to create 16 large triangles.

### Gold Star

Cut 4 squares  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cut the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares once diagonally to create 32 small triangles.

### White Star

Cut 4 squares  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut the  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares twice diagonally to create 16 large triangles.

### White Plaid

Cut 4 squares  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut the  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares twice diagonally to create 16 large triangles.

### Gold Words

Cut 4 squares  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " x  $2\frac{7}{8}$ ". Cut the  $2\frac{7}{8}$ " squares once diagonally to create 32 small triangles.

### White Words

Cut 4 squares  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " and 16 squares  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut the  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " squares twice diagonally to create 16 large triangles.

### Black Stripe

Cut 1 rectangle  $32\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $40\frac{1}{2}$ " for Quilt Center.

## QUILT ASSEMBLY

Refer to the Quilt Photo for piece placement as each block is different.

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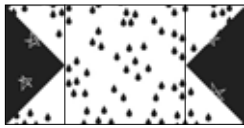
## Star Block

These instructions are to make 1 block. Sew a small triangle to the sides of a large triangle to create a Flying Geese Unit. Repeat to create 4 Flying Geese Units.



Flying Geese Unit

Sew a Flying Geese Unit to the left and right side of a  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " square to create Unit A.



Unit A

Sew a  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " square to each side of a Flying Geese Unit to create Unit B. Repeat to create 2 Unit Bs.



Unit B

Sew a Unit B to the top and bottom of Unit A to create the Star Block. Repeat to create 22 assorted Star Blocks.



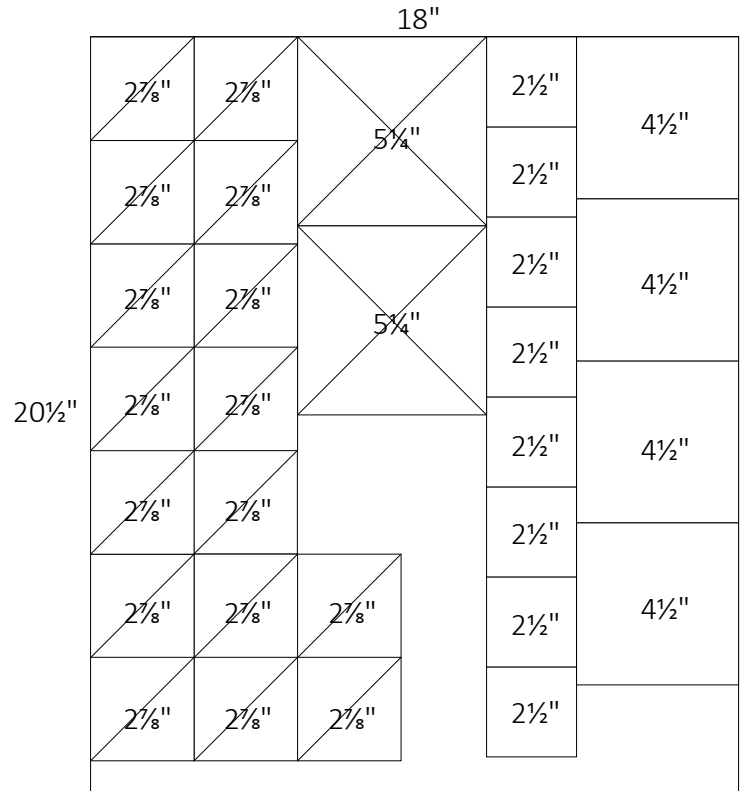
Star Block

## Border

Refer to the quilt photo for Star Block placement. Sew 5 Star Blocks together to create the right side border. Repeat to create the left side border. Sew the right and left borders to the quilt center.

Sew 6 Star Blocks together to create the top border. Repeat to create the bottom border. Sew the top and bottom borders to the quilt center.

Finish quilt by layering the quilt top, batting, and back. Bind with your favorite Riley Blake fabric from the When Skies are Grey Collection. Have fun with your colors and enjoy the journey of making your quilt.



Gold Rain Cutting Diagram