

Hi, everybody. It's Jenny from the Missouri Star Quilt Company and I have a really fun project for you today! Take a look at this quilt behind me. Isn't this fun? This is a Pennant Quilt and, of course, I see pennants in all different ways. You know, I see them in school colors, I see them in birthdays, I see them in boats, I mean, I just see pennants for everything, so I just love this Pennant Quilt.

So, to make this quilt, what you are going to need is one Layer Cake and we have used Daysail by Bonnie and Camille from Moda. You're going to need a yard and a half of background fabric and the background fabric is going to be in between here and your sashing across here and your sashing around the outside. You're also going to need about a yard and a quarter of border fabric. We put a 5 inch border on our quilt. And then you're also, one more thing, you're going to need about 9 yards of ric rac and the ric rac just makes the string for the pennants to hang on and it's just darling. I've used a three quarter inch ric rac. You can use whatever size you want. I've even used the jumbo and it's just so cute.

So, let's, let's have some fun with this and let me show you how to do it. So, to make these pennants, I used the simple wedge ruler. Now, I have my son, I talked to him about designing this because one of the things that I have a problem with is waste. I don't like waste and most of the triangles out there are set up to go right in the center of the layer cake and you get a lot of waste with that. Here is why I like ours. Ours is called the simple wedge and if you put your wedge to the edge, just like this, and make your cut around here, you could put a whole other wedge on the other side. So, let me show you how I cut that out. So, I take my layer cake and line this wedge right up on the edge. I'm going to go ahead and cut in here and stop right there and I'm going to go ahead and cut over here and then I have this wedge, right here. This is my first wedge.

Alright, for the second wedge we are going to come up here and put our wedge on the edge, just like we did on the other one. And you have to be pretty careful when you're doing this. And we're going to get one cut and two cuts and this is all the waste you have, just this tiny little bit, and you're going to get 2 wedges out of here. I missed that one side right there. Let me grab that really quick because we are going to use these. This is so fun! I really love this quilt because when you get all your wedges cut we're going to stack them in two piles, like this. So, out of each layer cake you are going to get two and we're going to put them in two piles and were only going to use one pile for this quilt because I have a whole second special project for you with the other ones. So, let me show you how I put this together.

So, I have my stack of wedges here that I cut out and I'll toss one of these onto there. And I did the same thing with my background fabric--I cut them out. So, once you get all of your white wedges cut, then it's time to put them together. To do that, what I like to do is, I like to make sure that all of my white wedges are facing with the fat side facing down. I'm going to put that wedge on the bottom and I'm going to bring my colored wedge and put it on the top. So, we want them to end up this way, and we want the color to always end up on the right hand side because, if you put them on either side, you're going to get mixed up. It won't be white, color, white, color, white, color, it will be, you know, color, color, white, color, color, white, you know, or whatever. So, here is how we are going to lay this together: so, you can see the points, right here, I'm going to put it point to point. So, the very point of my wedge, right here, you can see, is going to come right to the point. Then, we are going to go and sew this a quarter of an inch all the way down, so you will be able to see that. So, let's go to the sewing machine and do that. I will do this a couple of times because I want you to see how these lay on here so nice.

Now, because I am an assembly line sewer, what I will do is, I will bring my whole stack of whites over here and my colors and then, what I will do is, I'll, right away before I cut that one, I will put another white wedge up here and lay my next color wedge on top of it matching my top point and just sew down, quarter of an

inch. If they are not exact exact, it is not a big deal. You want to get them close, but if they are not exact, it is alright. So, I'm just going to go ahead and sew a few of these together so I can show you how to put a row together.

Okay, I have one more to do here and I just want to make sure you have this down. So, we keep our wedge with the wide side toward us. We take our other pattern piece and we lay it wide side up to the narrow side and we are going to match up our points. Lay it right on there and sew it a quarter of an inch all the way down. Alright. Now we want to cut these apart and iron them open. Now, I like to lay my pieces over here on the ironing board with the colored side up. I'm going to set that seam and I'm going to roll it back. So, colored side up, set the seam, and roll it back. That means that your colored fabric seam allowance is going to go to your colored side of the wedge, which is going to hide it a little more especially if you're using a light background like I am. There we go.

So, now we have pieces that look like this. This is how our piece looks now. Now we're going to assemble in rows. Let me show you how we do that: so, you're going to lay them out. I need a little more room here. You want to make sure all your pennants are going the right direction and you want to make sure you have different fabrics together. You don't have too many blues in one section or whatever. Now you're going to put them together as a row. You're going to do the same thing, you're going to roll them up, like this, and you're going to attach this and you're going to lay it point to point. You're going to have these other seams that come across, but that is ok. Your points are still there, but because of your little dog ears here, it is going to hang off a little bit.

We're going to go ahead and sew these together using a quarter of an inch. We're just going to sew this down here. Let's iron this back so you can see where we are going with this. And you get a piece that is like this and you are ready to attach your other piece, so you are going to do this for your whole row. So, let me do that for you. So, then you are just going to continue adding this on until you have a whole row. Again, you want to lay this back here. I just want to make sure you guys get this. See how this corner is now folded that way? This is going to hang off a little bit, right here, but if this corner was straight, you will still be matching point to point. Do you see what I am saying about that? Sew a quarter of an inch, always good to fold it back and look to make sure everything is going the right direction, and we're just going to lay this on here. We're going to finish up our row. I'll sew a couple more on here and I'll meet you right back here.

So, now we pretty much have our row together, so now we're going to iron it nice and flat and this is what your row is going to look like when you finish the row. Now, I just have five and these rows have seven. We actually have seven across and six rows because of the way they hang, but, you will notice that it is not square. We can't actually put it in a quilt, we need to add one more onto the end of this one. So, again, we're going to take our one triangle and we are going to put it on here. See how I set that on there and it immediately turns the corner? That is not right, so flip it around, make sure it is going to go like that. We are going to lay it up here, edge to edge. This is going to be the finishing edge of our row of our pennants.

So, now we're just going to sew this down. Then we've got to go press this open, and I'll show you how to finish off this row. I'm just going to roll this back a little so it lays down nice because I want my color to go in. So now, here is your row and now we need to square your ends of, so you have a nice straight up and down row to add a border to. You will see on this simple wedge this little dash line, right here. That is very important, because, what we are going to do, we are going to lay our wedge here and the dash line on the edge. Now it gives us a nice straight line, right here, to trim up the end of our row so it will lay straight. So, we will just do this, and now our row is perfectly straight. Can you see that? Let me show you again on this side. Again, just take our wedge and if you happen to put it on here and, you know that's not a straight line,

make sure you watch that. Right now I'm going to put this here and put the dash line on the edge of the fabric. I know it's white and hard to see, but you will know when it's a straight line right up the middle. Then we will just cut this. So, then you will have a straight row and your pennant row will look like this. Isn't that darling?

So, once you get your row all finished and your ends trimmed, you want to check it to make sure it's straight across here. Sometimes when we put things together it can get a little wonky and you just want to lay a ruler on there and clean up that edge so you have a nice straight edge to attach it to.

You're going to make six of these. You're going to have seven pennants in each row. Here is our seven, right here, and you're going to make six of those. In between each row you're going to put a 4 inch sashing, then, once you get all those sashing's in, you're going to sash all the way around the outside, also, with a 4 inch sashing and then you get to add your rick rack. So, then we're going to put our rick rack; we're going to sew it down. I used a zig zag stitch. I used the seam as my guide. It was super easy. We just sewed the rick rack right along that seam. Then you're going to add your outer border. Your outer border, here, when it comes together, it's going to enclose your rick rack, so there isn't going to be any little frays or anything like that to interrupt your beautiful quilt.

So, this is such a quick, easy project and so much fun. We hope you enjoyed this tutorial from the Missouri Star Quilt Company.