

Seven Sisters

8¾" edge to edge
10" point to point

This design is named for its seven six-pointed stars. The maker of the *Seven Sisters* quilt pictured in the article pieced her quilt by hand. The tiny diamonds and set-in seams would make piecing the quilt by machine challenging. Here is a pattern for a slightly simplified Seven Sisters block.

- ❶ Make templates for A, B, and C. Cut 18 A from white fabric. Cut 21 A from a medium print and 21 A from a dark print. Cut 6 B from orange fabric.
- ❷ To make a half star unit, sew 3 A's together in a dark-medium-dark arrangement, working outward from the star's center and stopping stitching on the end of the seam line, indicated by the dotted line on the template pattern. Make a second half star unit by sewing 3 A's together in a medium-dark-medium arrangement. Join the 2 half star units, stopping stitching on the end of each seam line. Make 7 stars.
- ❸ Join the stars and white A's as shown, setting in seams where necessary. If desired, make several blocks and join them with the C's as shown, keeping in mind that where blocks join, they will share the outermost

