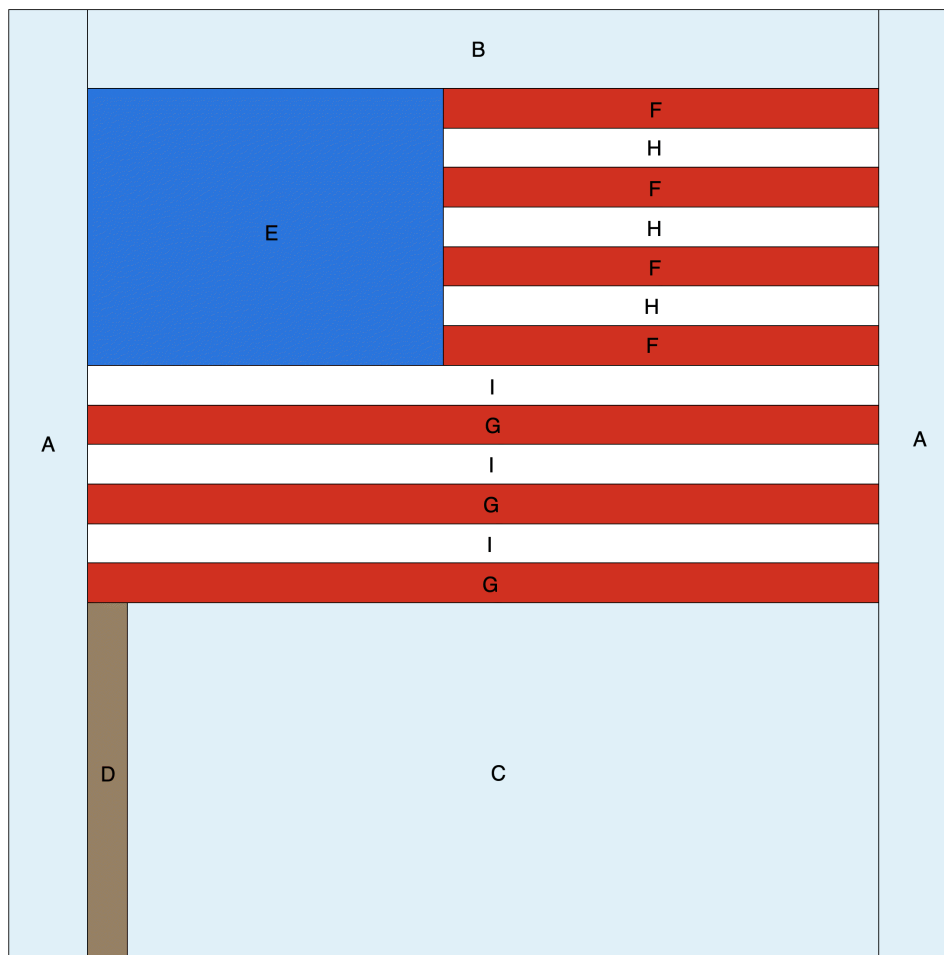


July 2023 Block of the Month - Flag



Block size:
12" finished
(12½" unfinished)

Cutting Instructions

Background:

- A - two 1½" x 12½" rectangles
- B - one 1½" x 10½" rectangle
- C - one 5" x 10" rectangle

Flagpole:

- D - one 1" x 5" rectangle

Blue Field:

- E - one 4" x 5" rectangle

Red Stripes:

- F - four 1" x 6" rectangles
- G - three 1" x 10½" rectangles

White Stripes:

- H - three 1" x 6" rectangles
- I - three 1" x 10½" rectangles

Sewing Instructions

1. Using the F and H pieces, sew together the seven short stripes. Then sew the E piece to the end of the short stripes.
2. Using the I and G pieces, sew together the six long stripes.
3. Sew together the top and bottom sections of the flag. Then sew the B piece to the top of the flag.
4. Sew together the D and C pieces. Then sew this D-C piece to the bottom of the flag.
5. Sew the two A pieces to the sides of the flag assembly from step 4.

Suggestions

- Press to the dark side when possible.
- To minimize getting curved stripes, sew the red and white strips together in pairs, then join the pairs.
- Options for the blue field: Use a blue fabric with white stars, or use a solid blue and either appliqué or embroider white stars on it.
- Consider using scrappy reds and whites for the stripes.