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Project: Sawtooth Star Band

Materials
For one pillowcase:
- 8 — ¼ yard total assorted prints (blocks)
- ¼ yard black print (blocks)
- 1 yard cupcake print (pillowcase body, band)

Finished pillowcase: 30" × 20" (fits a standard-size bed pillow)
Finished block: 5" square

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.
Measurements include ¼" seam allowances for piecing blocks and pillowcase construction. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics
From each assorted print, cut:
- 1 — 3" square
- 8 — 1¼" squares

From black print, cut:
- 32 — 1¼ × 3" rectangles
- 32 — 1¼" squares

From cupcake print, cut:
- 1 — 25½ × 40¼" rectangle
- 1 — 5½ × 40¹⁄₄" rectangle

Assemble Sawtooth Star Blocks
1. Gather eight matching assorted print 1¾" squares and four black print 1¾ × 3" rectangles.
2. Mark a diagonal line on wrong side of each assorted print 1¾" square.
3. Align a marked assorted print 1¾" square with one end of a black print 1¾ × 3" rectangle (Diagram 1; note direction of drawn line.) Sew on drawn line. Trim excess fabric, leaving ¼" seam allowance. Press open attached triangle. Align a second marked assorted print 1¾" square with opposite end of rectangle. Stitch, trim, and press as before to make a Flying Geese unit. The unit still should be 3 × 1¾" including seam allowances. Repeat to make four Flying Geese units.
4. Referring to Diagram 2, lay out four Flying Geese units, four black print 1¾" squares, and one matching assorted print 3" square in three horizontal rows. Sew together pieces in each row. Press seams away from Flying Geese units. Join rows to make a Sawtooth Star block. Press seams in one direction. The block should be 5½²" square including seam allowances.
5. Repeat steps 1–4 to make eight Sawtooth Star blocks total.

Assemble Band
1. Sew together eight Sawtooth Star blocks in a row to make a 5½ × 40½" Sawtooth Star strip.
2. Referring to Band Assembly Diagram, sew together Sawtooth Star strip and cupcake print 5½ × 40½" strip.

Assemble Pillowcase
1. Fold cupcake print 25½ × 40½" rectangle in half crosswise to form a 25¼ × 20¾" rectangle. Sew together long edges and one pair of short edges to make a pillowcase body. Turn right side out and press flat.

2. Referring to Diagram 3, slide pillowcase band over pillowcase body with Sawtooth Star blocks facing pillowcase body; align raw edges and pin. Using ¼" seam allowance, sew together through all layers.
3. Press pillowcase band open, pressing seam allowances toward pillowcase body. Topstitch on pillowcase body ½" from band seam (Diagram 4) to secure seam allowances and complete pillowcase.
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DIAGRAM 1

DIAGRAM 2

DIAGRAM 3

DIAGRAM 4

5½ × 40½"

BAND ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM