

# Seven Sisters

The Seven Sisters is a 19th century reference to a constellation of stars. The nine brightest stars of the Pleiades are named for the Seven Sisters of Greek mythology: Sterope, Merope, Electra, Maia, Taygete, Celaeno, and Alcyone.

When the Southern states began to secede from the union, the name was adopted to reflect those states and the formation of the Confederacy. The Seven Sisters became a very popular quilt pattern during this period of time and is the basis for the construction and design of the First National Flag of the Confederacy.

Made in Rutherford County by Mary Johnson, who lost a spouse in the Civil War; Nona Mai Blythe, & Bessie Oral Lester.