

DIY Home Decor

How to Make Placemats and Other Easy Sewing Projects for a Country Kitchen



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Hello Quilters!

Do you love the rustic look of a country kitchen? We sure do! There is something so relaxing about a kitchen that has a touch of handcrafted décor. Whether it is hand-sewn placemats or a personalized table runner during the holidays, that unique flair can take a stale kitchen and turn it into the most beloved room in the house.

In this eBook, we have patterns for every type of kitchen and dining room décor you could possibly need, from placemats to centerpieces. Why buy in bulk when you can make something unique—and for less money? Many of these patterns are perfect for scraps and leftovers, so there is no need to spend big on more fabric.

Bring a taste of the country into your home and settle in for a big family dinner. You earned it!

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How to Make Placemats

Charming Charm Pack Placemats

By: [Anorina Morris](#) from [Samelia's Mum](#)

Impress your dinner guests and family members with your homemade Charming Charm Pack Placemats. This lovely table decor quilt is super easy when you use pretty, pre-cut charm pack patterns and simple backing to make pretty, quilted project. Not only is this free motion quilting project cute, it will be useful for messy kids and sturdy enough to last a long time. Make an entire set of these super simple placemats to add cute decor to family dinnertime or to an outdoor barbeque party.



Materials:

- 1 charm pack or 36 five-inch squares
- Batting and backing fabric as desired
- Binding as desired

Instructions:

- 1) Place any 2 charms right sides together and stitch along one side. Do this for all 36 charms.



- 2) Separate the adjoined charms and press the seams open. Arrange the double charms into groups of three as pictured below.



- 3) Sew together. Press your seams open.
- 4) Layer the placemats with batting and backing fabric.

Note: the batting and backing fabric is an excellent opportunity to use scraps and leftovers!

5) Quilt as desired.



6) Bind as desired.

Like this placemat? See more [home décor tutorials](#) on FaveQuilts!



Easy Strip Pieced Placemats

By: Vicki from [Orchid Owl Quilts](#)

Use this creative strip quilt technique to make fun and Easy Strip Pieced Placemats. This cute and functional kitchen craft idea is an easy quilt design that can be used in your own home or given as a small gift. Select amongst your diverse (and ever-expanding!) collection of leftover scraps to create a lovely pattern of colors to make this scrap quilt design. To save time, make sure you have some fusible fleece handy to use as batting during the strip quilt piecing.



Materials:

- 2.5" strips of fabric at least 19" long (6 per placemat)
- 12.5" x 18" fusible fleece
- 12.5" X 18" fabric for backing
- Fabric for binding

Instructions:

- 1) Lay fusible fleece with fusible side up. Lay strips of fabric on fleece; the first strip should line up with the top of the fleece. Each subsequent strip will overlap the previous strip by .5" as pictured below.



Note: Using the grid on your cutting mat will help assure precision.

- 2) Continue adding strips until all 6 have been placed on the fusible fleece. At this point, nothing has been quilted or sewn; the strips are simply laid out as pictured below.



- 3) Iron the strips in place.



- 4) Flip the project over and trim off excess fabric on both sides.

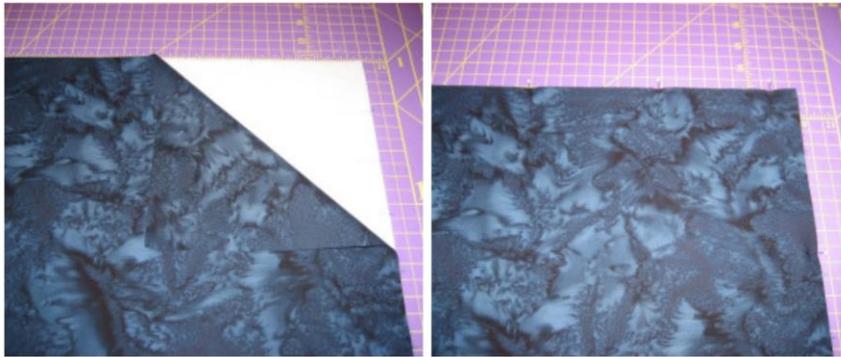


Note: To make sure all your strips are the same size, trim .5" off the last strip.

- 5) Topstitch each strip .25" from the edge.



- 6) Put the placemat face down and lay the backing on top. Pin in place.



- 7) Bind and embellish as desired.



Perfect Patchwork Placemats

By: Svetlana from [s.o.t.a.k. handmade](http://s.o.t.a.k.handmade)

Why not give your home a little bit more color? You do not even need to go to the store you just need some of your favorite fabric and the pattern for these Perfect Patchwork Placemats. Create an eye-catching pattern easily with this free patchwork quilt pattern that works especially well with contrasting fabrics. The patchwork quilt design will line up nicely with your tableware so that you can be sure that anyone at the table can enjoy their meals and appreciate your designer skills.



Materials:

- 2.5" squares for border (24 squares per placemat)
- 8.5" x 12.5" fabric for placemat center
- Binding as desired (pictured here at 2.25" wide)

Instructions:

- 1) Arrange 2.5" squares around center fabric, six squares per side as pictured below.



- 2) Piece the top and bottom sets of six, press the seams, and attach them to the 12.5" sides of the center fabric.



- 3) Piece the two remaining sets of squares together, press, and stitch to the 8.5" sides of the center fabric.



- 4) Add batting and bind as desired.



How to Make Table Toppers

Chef's Table Topper Pattern

By: Nanette Merrill for [RJR Fabrics](#)

No cook or quilter can deny how adorable this Chef's Table Topper Pattern is. Combining elements of basket quilts and Dresden plate patterns in this embroidered quilt pattern, the Chef's Table Topper appeals to traditional quilters who love classic patchwork. The lovable chef embroidery blocks make this quilt an ideal decoration for the kitchen, so make it as a gift for a friend who loves to spend time cooking.



Materials:

- 1 Precut (Twice the Charm) from Everything But the Kitchen Sink OR assorted fat quarters/fat eights from 30s line
- 1/3 yard RJR Cotton Supreme Whip Cream
- 12" from Chef Panels
- 1/2 yard for border and binding
- 1-1/4 yard for backing
- 1 button for center of Dresden Plate (3/4" or 1" size)
- 4-1/2 yards jumbo yellow rickrack (2" wide or more)

Instructions:

1) Cutting Directions:

- 4 Chef Panel blocks to 10-1/2"
- 31 Dresden Flower Petals from wedge template
- (4) 4.5" squares from Whip Cream
- (4) 6" x 10.5" rectangles from Whip Cream
- (1) 10 .5" square from Whip Cream
- (4) 5 x 10.5" rectangles from prints for baskets
- (4) 4-.5" squares from matching print to each basket
- (2) 4.5" x 30.5" strips of border fabric for side borders
- (2) 4.5" x 38.5" strips of border fabric for top and bottom

Note: All seams are .25". Press seams to one side. Cut from the template on the [last page of the tutorial](#).

- 1) The basket petals and center are Dresden petals. Finger press petal in half lengthwise with right sides together. Stitch along top straight edge of Dresden petal. Turn right side out and press petal into a point. Repeat for all Dresden petals. Make 31.



- 2) For the 4 baskets, stitch petals together matching side seams and joining the 5 petals into a fan shape. Press seams to one side or the other. For the center Dresden block, stitch together 11 Dresden petals and join together into a circle.



- 3) Pin the Dresden fan to the 6" x 10.5" rectangle cut from Whip Cream fabric, placing the wrong side of the Dresden fan on the right side of the neutral fabric and matching up the bottom edge of the fan to the lower edge of the neutral rectangle as below. Top stitch, attaching the fan points to the neutral rectangle and stitching right next to the edge of the 5 points. For the center Dresden Plate block, center the 11 Petals sewn together onto the 10.5" Whip Cream square. Pin and then top stitch the points in place. Cover center with button and stitch in place. Press and set aside.



- 4) Now construct the base of the basket. Using the 4, cut 4.5" squares (1 each from Whip Cream and 1 each from the basket base fabric), place right sides together, and draw a line crosswise from point to point with a pencil. Stitch .25" on either side of the drawn line as shown in the photo below.



- 5) Cut along the drawn line.



- 6) Press open to make half-square triangles.



- 7) Lay the half-square triangles on each lower edge of the basket positioned as in the photo below. Draw a pencil line to use as a stitch guide that intersects stitching line and will make an X in the half-square triangle block. This is called the “quick corner” method.



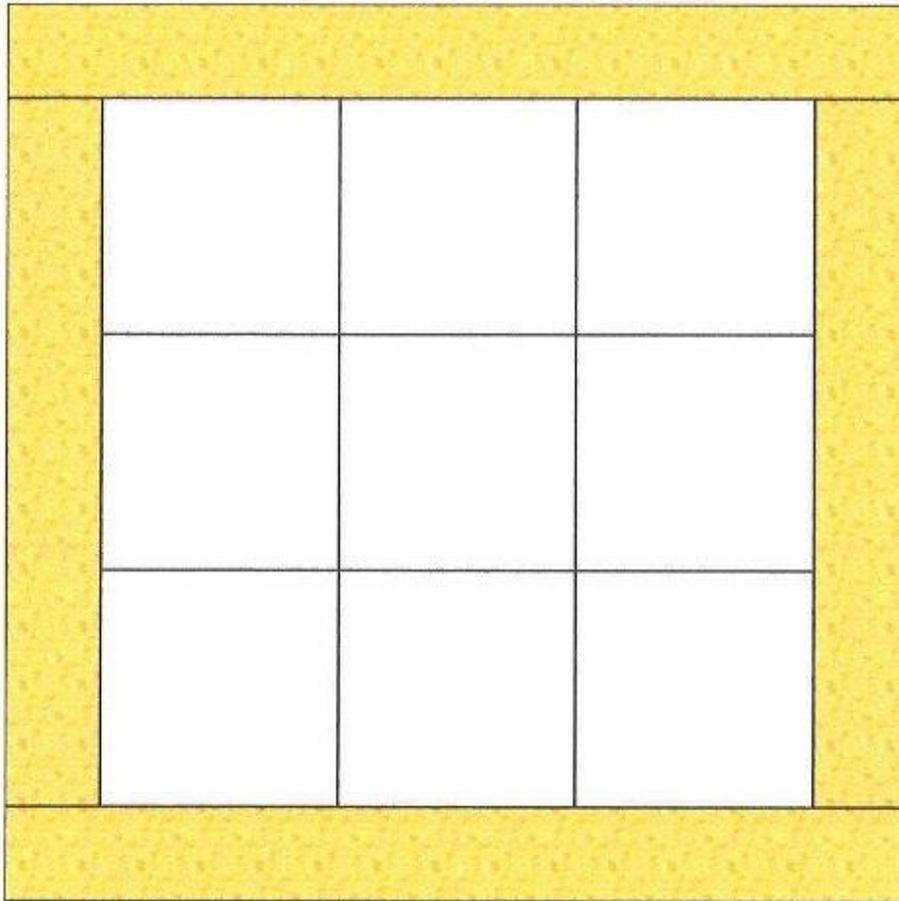
- 8) Trim 1/4" next to the stitching line you just completed. Press each side open.



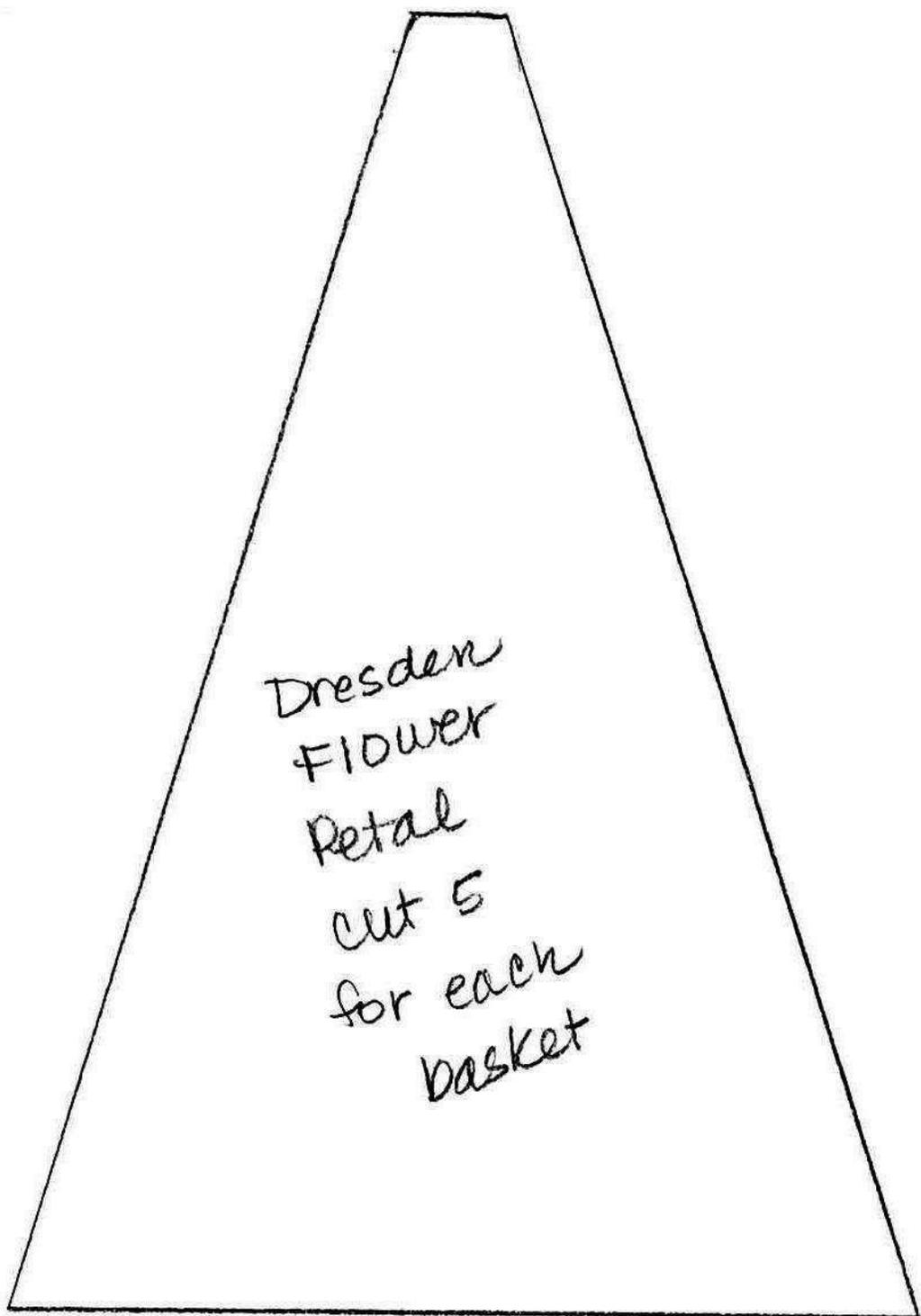
- 9) Now attach the Dresden petal fan top to the basket bottom to complete the basket block. Press. Complete now for other 3 baskets.



- 10) Join the blocks together using the photo of the quilt and layout diagram as guides. There are three rows of three blocks. You can position the chefs and baskets to suit your kitchen. This can also be made into a wall hanging. The baskets are in the four corners of the quilt and the Dresden plate is the very center block. The chef panels go in between. Join the blocks together and then join the rows together. Stitch the side borders to the quilt first and then stitch the top and bottom borders. Make a finish press.



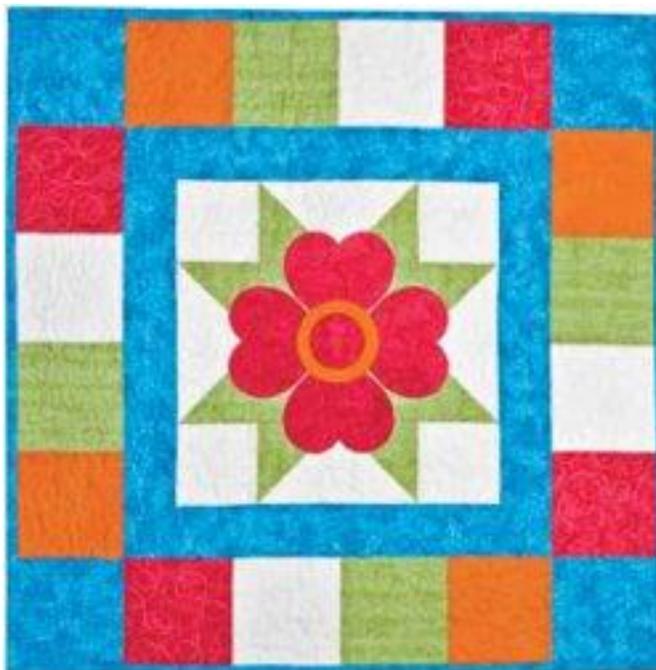
- 11) After the quilting is complete, then stitch the jumbo rickrack around the edges on all 4 sides. Binding is stitched over top of the seam line of the rickrack.



Geranium Table Topper

By: [AccuQuilt](#)

Make this bright quilt pattern for table toppers with AccuQuilt dies in the shapes of hearts and flying geese. The Geranium Table Topper features one flower made with heart-shaped petals surrounded by an easy patchwork border. Make sure you pick bright fabrics so your patchwork quilt pattern and the table topper pattern itself can cheer up the room they are in. Quilt patterns do not need to be big or overly intricate to be beautiful!



Materials:

- Fabric 1—1/4 yard or fat quarter for border squares and appliqué
- Fabric 2—1/4 yard or fat quarter for border squares and appliqué
- Fabric 3—1/3 yard for center and border squares
- Fabric 4—1/3 yard for center and border squares
- Fabric 5—5/8 yard for border squares, inner border and binding
- Fusible web—1/3 yard
- Backing fabric—7/8 yard
- Batting—30" square
- AccuQuilt Go! fabric cutter
- AccuQuilt Go! Square 6-1/2" Quilt Block A (55000)
- AccuQuilt Go! Square 3-1/2" Quilt Block B (55006)
- AccuQuilt Go! Triangle 4-7/8" Quilt Block D (55002)
- AccuQuilt Go! Half Square 3" Finished Triangle Quilt Block E (55009)
- AccuQuilt Go! Square 4-1/2" (Die packaged with fabric cutter)
- AccuQuilt Go! Strip Cutter 2-1/2" (55017)
- AccuQuilt Go! Heart 2", 3", 4" (55029) OR Heart Applique Template
- AccuQuilt Go! Circle 2", 3", 5" (55012)

Instructions:

1) Cutting Directions:

Fabric 1:

- Cut 4—4-1/2" squares
- Cut 4—4" hearts with fusible web backing
- Cut 1—2" circle with fusible web backing

Fabric 2:

- Cut 4—4-1/2" squares
- Cut 1—3" circle with fusible web backing

Fabric 3:

- Cut 4 —4-7/8" triangles
- Cut 4—4-1/2" squares
- Cut 4—3-1/2" squares

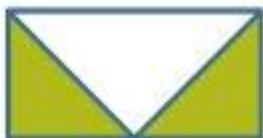
Fabric 4:

- Cut 1—6-1/2" square
- Cut 4—4-1/2" squares
- Cut 8—3" finished half square triangles

Fabric 5:

- Cut 3—2-1/2" strips across the width of the fabric (WOF) for binding
- Cut 2—2-1/2" strips across the WOF for inner border
- Cut 4—4-1/2" squares

- 2) Lay out one Fabric #3 4-7/8" triangle and two Fabric #4 3" finished half square triangles for each flying geese unit. Pin and sew triangles together using a 1/4" seam allowance



(Fig. A)

- 3) Press seams toward 3" finished half square triangles completing a flying geese unit. Make four.
- 4) Pin and sew one flying geese unit to top and bottom of Fabric #4 6-1/2" square.



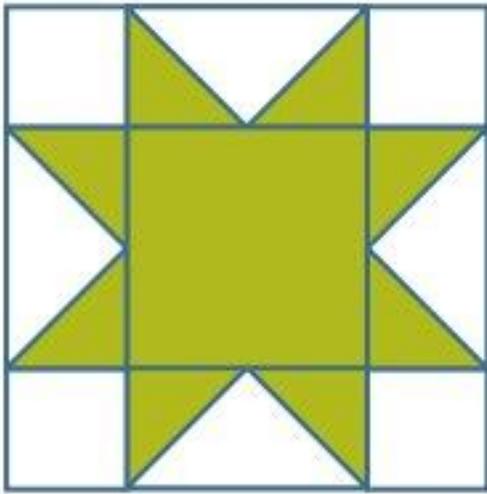
(Fig. B)

- 5) Press seams toward 6-1/2" square.
- 6) Pin and sew one Fabric #3 3-1/2" square to each side of the remaining two flying geese units



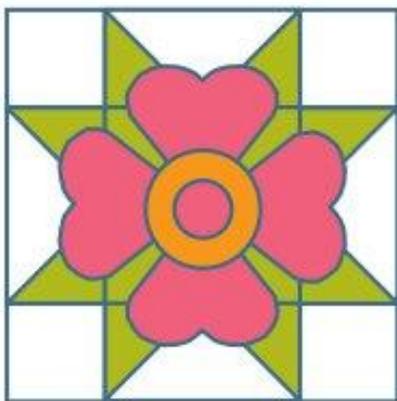
(Fig. C)

- 7) Press toward 3-1/2" squares.
- 8) Layout star block. Pin and sew rows together.



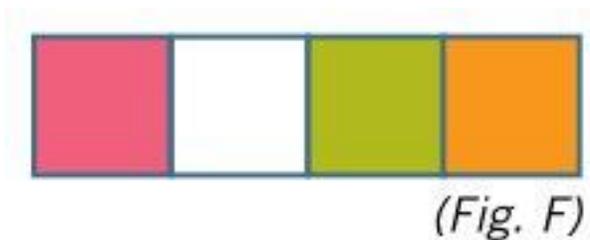
(Fig. D)

- 9) Press seams toward center of star block.
- 10) Lightly press horizontal and vertical centers of star block.
- 11) Remove paper backing from all appliqué shapes.
- 12) Position four, Fabric #1, 4" hearts on star block using photo and pressed centers as a guide. Points of hearts should meet in center of star block. Fuse in place following manufacturer's directions.



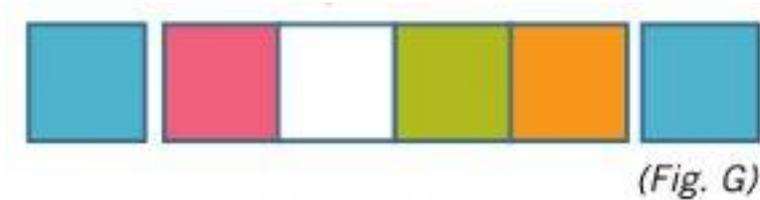
(Fig. E)

- 13) Machine appliqué around heart shapes using a narrow zigzag stitch and matching thread.
- 14) Position Fabric #2, 3" circle on center of heart flower. Fuse in place. Machine appliqué with matching thread.
- 15) Position Fabric #1, 2" circle on center of larger circle. Fuse in place. Machine appliqué with matching thread.
- 16) Measure vertical center of star block. Cut two, Fabric #5, 2-1/2" inner border strips to this measurement.
- 17) Pin and sew trimmed inner borders to sides of star block matching center of inner border to center of block edge.
- 18) Press seams toward inner borders.
- 19) Measure horizontal center of star block (with side inner borders). Cut two, Fabric #5, 2-1/2" inner border strips to this measurement.
- 20) Pin and sew trimmed inner border to top and bottom of star block matching center of inner border to center of block edge.
- 21) Press seams toward inner borders.
- 22) Layout 4-1/2" border squares according to diagram. Pin and sew together.



- 23) Press seams in one direction (or toward darker fabrics).
- 24) Make four border square units.
- 25) Pin and sew one border square unit to each side of table topper center. See photo for orientation.
- 26) Press seams toward inner border.

27) Pin and sew one Fabric #5, 4-1/2" square to each end of two border square units.



28) Pin and sew one border square unit to top and bottom of table topper center. See photo for orientation.

29) Press seams toward inner border.

30) Remove any markings and press table topper top.

31) Layer batting between top and backing, pin or baste, and quilt as desired.

32) Bind as desired.

Hexagon Table Topper

By: [AccuQuilt](#)

If you love hexagon quilt designs, this quilt pattern for table toppers is perfect for you! The Hexagon Table Topper looks just like a hexagon flower surrounded by border hexagons. Use an AccuQuilt cutter to make quick work of the hexagons.



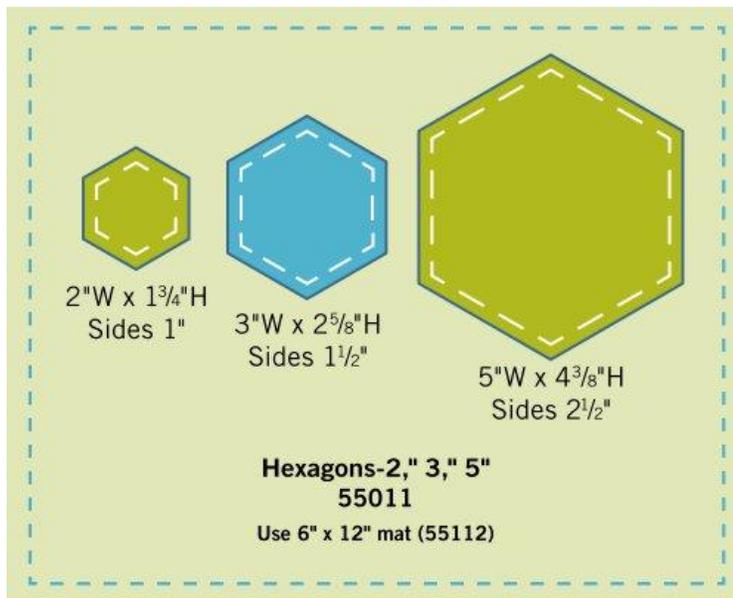
Materials:

- Fat quarter or 1/4 yard each of light, medium and dark fabrics
- 6" scrap for center hexagon
- 5/8 yard backing fabric
- 20" square for batting
- AccuQuilt Go! fabric cutter
- AccuQuilt Go! hexagons 2", 3", 5" (55011)
- AccuQuilt Go! 6" x 12" mat (55112)

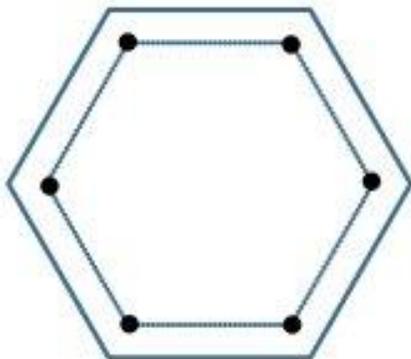
Instructions:

1) Cutting Directions:

- Cut 6—hexagons with 2-1/2" sides from dark fabric
- Cut 6—hexagons with 2-1/2" sides from medium fabric
- Cut 6—hexagons with 2-1/2" sides from light fabric
- Cut 1—hexagon with 2-1/2" sides from center fabric



- 2) By hand or machine sew together hexagons using a 1/4" seam allowance and stopping 1/4" in from "corners" as shown by dots in small diagram. Reinforce stitching at dots.



- 3) Press seams toward center of table topper.
- 4) Layer table topper with batting.
- 5) Pin or baste layers together.
- 6) Machine quilt 1/4" from seams with matching thread. Trim excess batting.
- 7) Layer quilted table topper front and backing square right sides together.
- 8) Pin and sew around outer edges, pivoting at "corners" of hexagons. Leave a 4" opening.
- 9) Clip "corners" and turn right sides out. Press.
- 10) Hand stitch opening closed.

Note: Use the other two sizes of hexagons to create smaller table toppers or candle mats!

Path to Durham Table Topper

By: Brenda Riddle for [Lecien](#)

This pretty, feminine table topper pattern looks just like it belongs at a sophisticated garden party or elegant tea party. With a simple design made up of a large fabric panel with a patchwork stripe, the Path to Durham Table Topper Pattern comes together in no time. The rickrack patchwork strip will remind you of the piecing in Irish chain quilts.



Materials:

- 1-3/8 yard for background - warm grey main floral (30428-90)
- 1/4 yard for 'path' - white with warm grey dots (30433-10)
- 1-1/4 yard for backing, 3/8 yard for binding - warm grey tiny floral (30431-90)

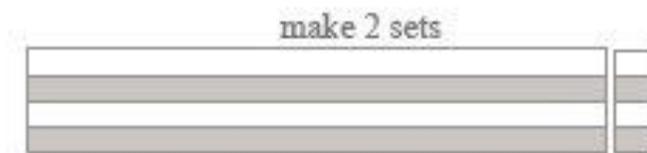
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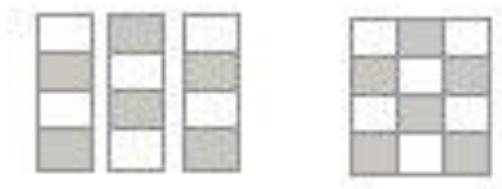
- From warm grey main floral, cut: one (1) 27-1/2" x 41-1/2" rectangle, four (4) 2" strips, AND two (2) 5" strips.
- From white w/ warm grey dots, cut four (4) 2" strips.

2) To make the path blocks, sew together the two (2) 2" background strips to the two (2) 2" 'rick-rack path' strips as shown. Press seams toward darker fabric.

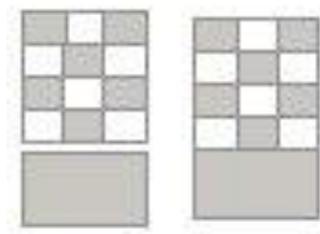
3) Repeat to make two strip sets. Cut 27 - 2" units from the strip set.



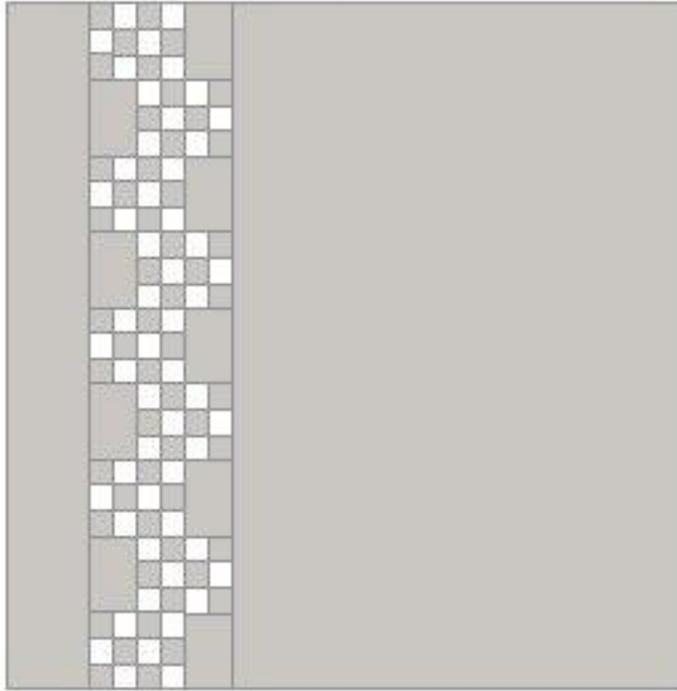
4) Sew together three of the units as shown. Press seams open. Make nine.



5) Take one of the 5" background strips and from it cut nine (9) 3-1/2" x 5" rectangles. Sew a 3-1/2" x 5" rectangle to each of the nine sections, as shown. Press seams toward rectangle.



- 6) Sew together the nine blocks as shown (press seams open), and sew the remaining 5" background strip to the left side of the 'rickrack path' section and the 27-1/2"x 41-1/2" rectangle to the right side, as shown. Press seams toward backgrounds.



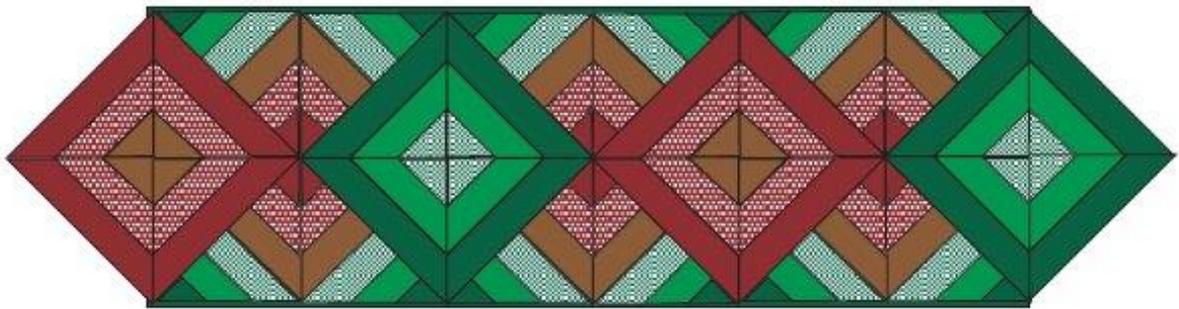
- 7) Quilt and bind as desired.

How to Make a Table Runner

Diamonds and Chevrons Table Runner

By: [Kaye Wood, Inc.](#)

The intricate overlapping pattern of striped diamonds and triangles in this free quilted table runner pattern looks difficult, but it could not be easier! Piece together striped fabric, slice it into triangles, and then arrange according to color to create the Diamonds and Chevrons Table Runner.



Materials:

- 2 two 2" strips from EACH of 6 different fabrics
- Backing 1 yd.
- Batting/fleece 13" x 55"
- Starmaker® 8

Whip It Up Table Runner

By: [Anorina Morris](#) from [Samelia's Mum](#)

There is no quicker, simpler way to decorate your table than the Whip It Up Table Runner. This gorgeous DIY table runner pattern is perfect for spring—and for scraps. The log cabin look of this beautiful table runner adds a hint of geometry without losing its fun flair. Holiday décor is great, but for the everyday look, the Whip It Up Table Runner is perfect. You will never get tired of seeing the pretty design in your dining room, brightening up the table. Make this beautiful table runner in the course of a single afternoon and use it for years to come!



Materials:

- Light Blue = 4.5" square
- Yellow = (1) 3" x 4.5" and (1) 3" x 7"
- Navy Blue = (1) 3" x 7" and (1) x 9.5"
- Turquoise = (1) 3.5" x 9.5" and (1) 3.5" x 12.5"
- Yardage = 1/4 yard of the light blue, yellow and navy. 3/4 of a yard of the turquoise.

Instructions:

- 1) Start with light blue fabric. Sew the shorter yellow strip to the right side and press.
- 2) Sew the other yellow strip to the top. Press.
- 3) Repeat steps for navy. Sew navy strip to the right side. Press.
- 4) Sew the other navy strip to the top. Press.
- 5) Repeat for turquoise strips as shown below.



- 6) Make seven of these blocks and sew them end to end.
- 7) Quilt and bind as desired.

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Trendsetter's Split Scallops Table Runner

By: Tania Willis for [Fiskars](#)

Bring the chic spotty look of 60s era mod fashion right to your home decor with the Trendsetter's Split Scallops Table Runner. Free quilted table runner patterns like this demonstrate just how creative you can be with familiar designs; the scallops you usually use as borders for the edge of your quilt are used to make a modern look that can pop in so many different colors. This quilted table runner is simple enough to be part of your everyday decor, but can also be jazzed up for a special occasion.



Materials:

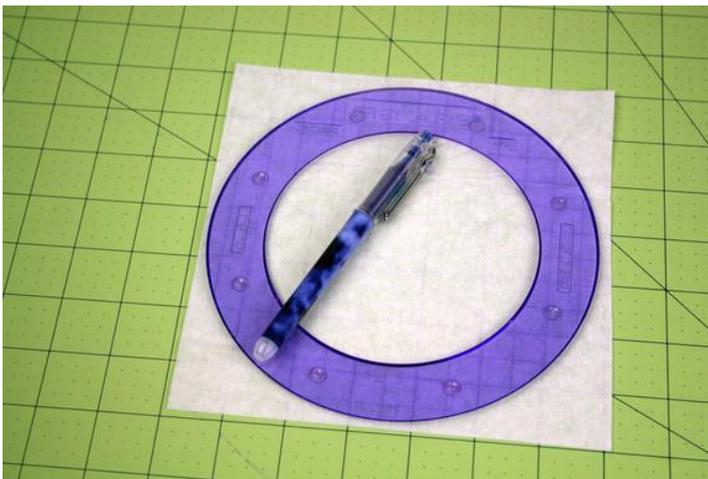
- Several ¼ yard cuts of coordinating fabrics
- Low-loft quilt batting
- 2 yards neutral fabric
- 1 yard backing fabric
- Bias Tape
- Pins
- Pencil
- Coordinating Thread
- NeedleThimble

Instructions:

- 1) Using your rotary cutter, acrylic ruler and cutting mat, cut 7" squares of non-paper backed fusible interfacing (medium-weight). You need a total of 18.



- 2) Trace a 4.5" circle onto the smooth (non-shiny) side of the squares of interfacing. This is the inside circle of the smallest template in the Super-Sized Circle Shape Template set. A pencil works best for tracing.

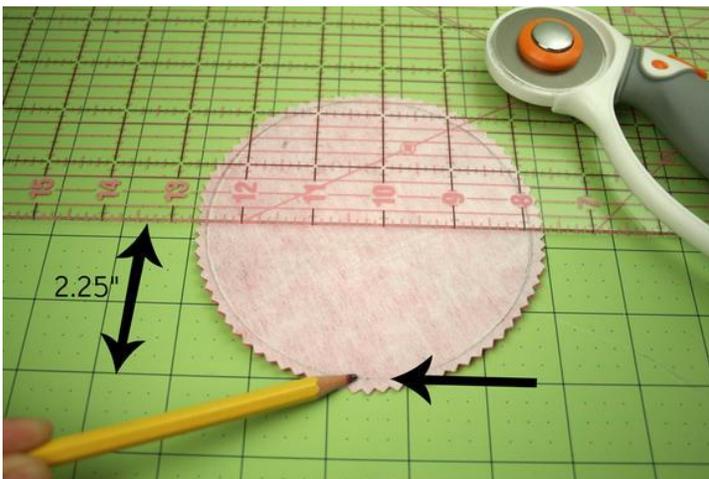


- 3) Cut 7" squares from coordinating fabrics using your rotary cutter, acrylic ruler and cutting mat. Again, you will need a total of 18. More than one square from the same pattern is perfectly fine.

- 4) Layer a square of fusible interfacing (pencil-traced side up) on top of a fabric square (right side up). Machine stitch the layers together, stitching a complete circle allowing your stitching to follow directly on top of the pencil marking.
- 5) Cut out around the stitched circles using your pinking shears, leaving approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ " border between the stitching and the pinked edge.



- 6)
- 7) Lay each circle onto your cutting mat and line up the top of the traced pencil line/stitched line of the circle along one of the solid horizontal line measurements on the cutting mat. It is very important that you are not lining up the edge of the pinking, but the stitched line with the horizontal line (see arrows on image). Then, line your acrylic ruler up at $2\frac{1}{4}$ " from that measurement to cut each circle in half using your rotary cutter. Repeat for all 18 circles.



- 8) Turn each half-circle right side out and finger press the seam. Do not IRON press.



- 9) Then, match up the straight edges (the fabric front and interfacing back) and pin together with a single pin running horizontal with the edge. Iron wrinkles, then cut three pieces of a neutral solid or tone-on-tone material to the following: one piece at $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 71" and two pieces at $7\frac{1}{4}$ " x 71".



- 10) Pin half-circles side-by-side, using two pins on either side for each circle, without overlapping circles. Pin them down one long edge of BOTH 7 ¼" x 71" pieces.



Note: To make your scallops slightly off-center from one another on opposite sides, when pinning the circles along the edge of the second 7-1/4" x 71" piece, lay it right beside the first piece to make sure your alignment is as you want it.

- 11) Take your pinned strips to the ironing board. Remove pins one circle at a time and iron/fuse the circles to the neutral fabric following package directions for the fusible interfacing you have chosen to use. Spritz half-circles with water, then steam press for 10 seconds instead of using a damp press cloth. These instructions allow for an extra circle among the 18, so you can do a test run with your fusible interfacing onto a piece of scrap fabric and get your iron settings right before starting to fuse on your project.
- 12) Allow fabric to cool completely, and then check to make sure they are all completely bonded before moving on.
- 13) Pin right side of 3 ½" strip to right side of one scalloped border strip and machine stitch using ¼" seam allowance. Press the seam open. Pin the opposite side of the 3 ½" strip to the remaining scalloped border strip, right sides together. Machine stitch and press seam open.
- 14) Cut two pieces of backing fabric to 17" x 36". Place two short ends right sides together and machine stitch using ½" seam allowance. Press seam open. This leaves you with a piece measuring 17" x 71".

15) Lay your backing fabric right side down onto a flat surface and smooth all wrinkles. Layer with batting cut to the same size, and then add your scalloped border piece right side up on top. Match corners and sides at one end and begin placing pins at the corners, down the side edges and down the middle to pin all three layers together. Continue matching the edges of all three layers as you go. Sometimes as you do this the fabric is pulled and stretched, making the measurements slightly off. If this is the case, you can trim the extra and square it up at the opposite end.

16)



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Holiday Decorating Ideas

Holiday Classics Table Runner

By: Dawn Stewart for [Quilting Treasures](#)

Beautiful, festive fabric deserve to be shown off in the most elegant fashion, which is why you should use them to make a Holiday Classics Table Runner this Christmas. This quilted table runner pattern combines two classic quilt block designs to create a symmetrical and whimsical design that's sure to bring class and holiday cheer to your dining room table or front room. A Christmas table runner like this looks just as good as anything in stores, and it'll cost you much less.



Materials:



FABRIC REQUIREMENTS	
Design	Yards
22682-E	5/8
22682-J	5/8
22683-J	3/8
22686-G	3/4
22684-M	1/2
22685-A	1/3
22685-G (includes Binding)	5/8
22685-R	1/4
22683-R (Backing)	1 1/4

Instructions:

1) Cutting Directions:

- **22682-J Large Poinsettia on Black**
 - (1) 6 1/2" x WOF strip, from that cut:
 - (6) 7" squares, cut diagonally once to yield (12) triangles.
 - (1) 4 1/2" x WOF strip, sub-cut to:
 - (4) 4 1/2" squares.
- **22686-G Green Swirl**
 - (1) 5 1/4" squares, cut diagonally once to yield (4) triangles.
- **22684-M Red Stripe**
 - (3) 4 1/2" x WOF strips, sub-cut to:
 - (2) 4 1/2" x 42 3/4" rectangles.
 - (2) 4 1/2" x 17 1/4" rectangles.
- **22685-A Cream**
 - (1) 5 1/4" x WOF strip, sub-cut to:
 - (4) 5 1/4" squares, cut diagonally once to yield (8) triangles.
 - 2" x WOF strips, sub-cut to:
 - (4) 2" x 3 1/2" rectangles.
 - (4) 2" squares.
- **22685-G Green (includes Binding)**
 - (3) 2 1/2" x WOF strips, sub-cut to:
 - (2) 2 1/2" x 38 1/4" rectangles.
 - (2) 2 1/2" x 13 1/4" rectangles.
 - 2" x WOF strip, sub-cut to:
 - (8) 2" squares.
 - (4) 2 1/2" x WOF strips for binding.
- **22685-R Red**
 - (1) 3 1/2" x WOF strip, from that cut:
 - (1) 3 1/2" square.
 - (4) 2 1/2" squares
- **22683-R Holly on Red for Backing Fabric**

Note: Use 1/4" seam allowances throughout.

- 2) For block 1, center and sew a cream triangle to the top and bottom of a 6 1/2" Large Poinsettia on Black print square. Press toward the triangle. Next, sew cream triangles to each side of the Large Poinsettia on Black print square, and press toward the cream triangle. Repeat for both 6 1/2" Large Poinsettia on Black print squares.
- 3) Sew a Holly on black triangle to the top and bottom of the previous unit, and press towards the triangles. Next, sew a Holly on black triangle to the sides of the square.

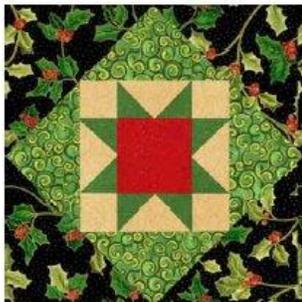


Note: make two of these blocks.

- 4) For block 2, lay a 2" Green square on a 2" x 3 1/2" Cream rectangle right sides together. Sew from the upper right corner to the bottom left corner. Repeat for all four Cream rectangles.
- 5) Leaving a 1/4" seam allowance, cut away the excess triangle on the bottom right and press the green triangle out. Press seam allowances toward the green.
- 6) Repeat the step with the 2" Green square on the other side of the Cream rectangle, this time sewing from the upper left corner to the bottom right corner. Again, cut away excess and press the seam allowance toward the green. Make (4) Flying Geese units.
- 7) Using the Flying Geese units, the Cream Squares, and the 3 1/2" Red Square, make a star unit by sewing parts together in three rows of three.



- 8) Center and sew a Green Swirl triangle to the top and bottom of the Star block. Press toward the triangle.
- 9) Next, sew a Green Swirl triangle to each side of the star block.
- 10) Sew a Holly on Black triangle to the top and bottom of the previous unit. Next, sew a Holly on Black triangle to the sides of the square.
- 11) Turn the blocks on point and sew in three rows with the Large Poinsettia on Cream setting triangles. Add the Small Poinsettia on Cream triangles to the corners as shown below.



- 12) For the border, sew the (2) 2 1/2" x 38 3/4" Green fabric rectangles to the long sides of the table runner. Press seams toward the borders. Sew a 2 1/2" Red square to each short end of the (2) Green 2 1/2" x 13 1/4" rectangles. Press toward the Green fabric. Sew these to the short ends of the table runner, matching seams at the cornerstones.
- 13) Sew the (2) 4 1/2" x 42 3/4" Red Stripe rectangles to the long sides of the quilt. Press seams towards the borders.
- 14) Sew a 4 1/2" Holly on Black square to each short end of the (2) Red Stripe 3 1/2" x 17 1/4" rectangles. Press toward the Red Stripe fabric. Sew these to the top and bottom, matching seams at the cornerstones.
- 15) Sandwich, quilt, and bind as desired. Use the 2 1/2" Green print strips for the binding.

Patriotic Nine Patch Table Runner

By: Carlene Eschelman for FaveQuilts.com

Learn how to quilt Fourth of July table runner patterns for all your patriotic celebrations this summer! With Fourth of July quilt blocks featuring simple nine patch quilt patterns, the Patriotic Nine Patch Table Runner is a great project for beginners. Make this table runner in one afternoon, and you will have a patriotic patchwork decoration for Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and more!



Materials:

- 3 fat quarters in red, white, and blue
- (cut fat quarters into (12) 3"x3" white squares, (6) 3"x3" blue squares, and (9) 3"x3" red squares)
- Two (2) 1-1/2" x 7-1/2" muslin strips
- Two (2) 2-1/2" x 25" muslin strips
- Two (2) 2-1/2" x 11" muslin strips
- Self healing cutting mat
- Rotary cutter
- Ruler
- Sewing machine with white thread
- 1/2" double-wide bias tape
- Sewing needle and matching thread
- Quilt batting
- Muslin

Instructions:

- 1) After cutting 3"x3" squares, lay two squares in the following pattern:
 - Row 1 red,white,red
 - Row 2 white,blue,white
 - Row 3 red,white,red

- 2) Lay one square in the following pattern:
 - Row 1 blue,white,blue
 - Row 2 white,red,white
 - Row 3 blue,white,blue

- 3) Sew above squares together using 1/4" seams. You will end up with three squares that should measure about 7-1/2". If the edges are not straight, you can use your rotary cutter to straighten the edges. Iron seams and alternate directions to one side so the bulkiness is equal.

- 4) Take the square with the red in the middle, and sew the 7-1/2" muslin strips to the right and left edges. Use a 1/4" seam. Iron seams.

- 5) Sew the last two squares to the right and left side of the square with the red center. Iron seams.

- 6) Sew the 2-1/2" x 25" muslin strips to the top and bottom. Iron seams.

- 7) Place muslin on table and cut about 3" larger than your table runner top. Cut quilt batting about 2" larger than your table runner top.

- 8) Lay muslin piece right side facing down; place quilt batting on top of muslin. Place table runner top, right side facing up, onto quilt batting. Pin everything together with sewing pins.

- 9) Stitch a top stitch onto the quilt squares. Stitch all squares, or the four corners, and center square to form a pattern. Stitch should be 1/8" away from inside edge of squares. Stitch a giant rectangle around quilt pattern squares.

- 10) Trim away any excess batting and muslin from table runner top.
- 11) Pin bias tape to edges of quilt. Sew a top stitch 1/8" away from bias tape edge.
- 12) Hand-stitch bias tape to back of quilt using a whip stitch.
- 13) To see the full video tutorial, [click here](#).

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Simple Autumn Table Runner

By: [Vanessa Goertzen](#) from [Lella Boutique](#)

With this free quilted table runner pattern, you are only a few hours away from decorating your table for fall! The Simple Autumn Table Runner is made with one large piece of autumn fabric and quilted for texture and visual interest. Add elaborate quilting designs to give an already elegant table runner quilt pattern even more class. You can lay this out during the holidays or match the rest of your home decor during the fall--not to mention how perfect it is for a beautiful Thanksgiving spread!

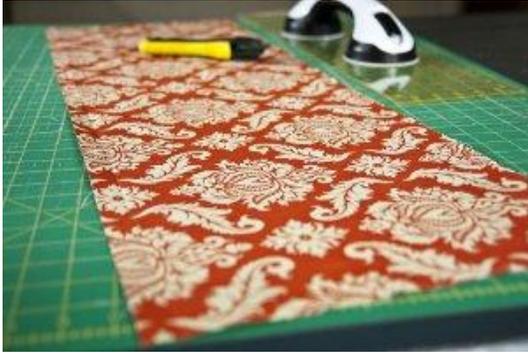


Materials:

- 2 3/4 yard of cotton fabric
- One large scrap of batting (at least 12 x 36")
- Walking foot
- Coordinating thread
- Thermoweb Peel-n-Stick Ruler Tape
- Crayola washable marker

Instructions:

- 1) From your 3/4 yard of fabric, cut two 12 x 36" rectangles for the front and back pieces.



- 2) Turn over one fabric rectangle and line up its edges with grid lines. Count six inches away from each corner (both sides) and lay the ruler down to connect those points. Draw a line along the ruler's edge. Do this at all corners.



- 3) Carefully cut along the drawn lines.



- 4) Repeat with the other fabric rectangle. This will be the basic shape of the table runner.



- 5) Lay one of the table runner pieces on the batting scrap and pin in place.



- 6) Trim the batting to line up with the table runner's edges.



- 7) Next, place the fabric table runner shapes right sides together and lay them on top of the batting. Once all layers are lined up, pin in place.



- 8) Using 1/2" seam allowance, sew around the perimeter, leaving one of the long sides unstitched.
- 9) Start trimming the edges close to the seam, making sure you do not actually cut into the seam.
- 10) When you get to the open side, use a ruler to draw a line to connect the seams. Continue to trim the batting only along the drawn line. (It is important to eliminate the batting bulk but also leave the fabric long enough around the opening to make it easy to fold in later.)



11) Turn the project right side out through the opening.



12) Use a skinny dowel or pencil to push out the corners. Iron over the project to help it lie flat.

13) Fold in the fabric at the opening. Pin every inch or so to hold the folds in place.



14) Sew it closed by hand.



- 15) Iron over the whole table runner again but use a heavy starch spray.
- 16) Center the table runner within grid lines on your cutting mat. Then, lay the ruler tape down to split the center.



- 17) Using Crayola washable markers, draw along the ruler on both sides.



- 18) Add another set of lines a few inches away on either side.



- 19) Rotate the table runner so that its bottom sidelines up along a diagonal line on the cutting mat. Add more lines about 3-1/2" apart all across the table runner. There is no rule about where you should lay the ruler tape! Just wherever you want!



- 20) Once you are satisfied with the amount of lines, start sewing. Use both hands to help guide the fabric and stay on the lines.



- 21) Wash the table runner to remove all traces of the washable marker. After it dries, iron it with starch.

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