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8 Halloween Decoration Ideas

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Hello Quilters!

We're so excited to introduce our newest free quilting eBook, *Free Quilt Patterns for Halloween: 8 Halloween Decoration Ideas.* Nothing says autumn like Halloween, with its chilly fall nights, fun DIY costumes, and, of course, your favorite Halloween candy. To celebrate this special holiday, we've compiled our favorite Halloween quilting patterns and projects that best embody the spirit of All Hallows' Eve. From monsters to ghosts to jack-o-lanterns, we've made sure to include all of your favorite traditional Halloween staples so that you can show off your spookily good quilting skills and make some adorable projects that the entire family will love. This Halloween patterns eBook is a fantastic way to create some hauntingly beautiful DIY quilted home décor that your visitors won't be able to stop talking about. From traditional quilt blocks and mini quilts to some spirited applique patterns, these quilted Halloween projects are the ultimate way to celebrate the year's most animated holiday.

Whether you're creating some fun family memories or just want to create some cute holiday décor, you can't go wrong with these Halloween ideas. For more traditional quilting projects, you might enjoy making the Ghostly Pumpkin Mug Rug (pg. 28) or the Halloween Inspiration Patchwork Pillow (pg. 47). These easy quilt projects make it incredibly simple to create fantastical Halloween home décor. If you're searching for a quick quilting project, then you'll love our Halloween Applique Patterns (pg. 59) that FaveQuilts has created just for you! And if you're celebrating Halloween with your grandchildren, you'll adore the Monster Tote Bag (pg. 38). This easy DIY project is a great way to create a trick-or-treat bag in no time at all!

You can find more quilt patterns, DIY home decor, and other excellent quilting ideas at www.FaveQuilts.com.

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Happy Quilting,

Editors of FaveQuilts.com

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# **Pumpkin Halloween Projects**

# **Pumpkin Table Runner**

By: Judi Madsen from Green Fairy Quilts

The best fall quilts are the ones you can use throughout all of autumn. This Pumpkin Table Runner is in season from when pumpkins first start to ripen in September, to Halloween parties, and all the way to Thanksgiving dinner. Table runners are an easy way to make your big wooden dining table look more homey and inviting. Each of these pumpkins is intricately pieced to create a folksy patchwork effect. Plus, the polka-dotted fabric around these pumpkins is super fun and looks like fall-colored confetti.



#### **Materials:**

- Two different orange fabrics (for pumpkins): ⅓ yard each
- Cream fabric with polka dots (background fabric): ¼ yard
- Light green fabric (pumpkin stem): 1/2 yard
- Dark green fabric (sash and 1st border): ¼ yard
- Brown pumpkin print fabric (2nd border): ½ yard
- Striped fabric (binding): ⅓ yard
- Backing: 1 ⅓ yards

#### **Instructions:**

**Note:** Use a ¼ inch seam allowance for all seams.

- 1. Cut out (3) 2 x 44 inch and (3) 1 ½ x 44 inch strips from each orange fabric.
- 2. Cut out (1) 2 ½ x 11 inch rectangle from the light green fabric.



- 3. Cut out (2) 3 % x 11 inch rectangles from the cream background fabric.
- 4. Cut out (1) 2 ½ x 44 inch strip from the cream background fabric. From this strip, cut out (16) 2 ½ inch squares.
- 5. Draw a line from corner to corner on the back of each 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch square.



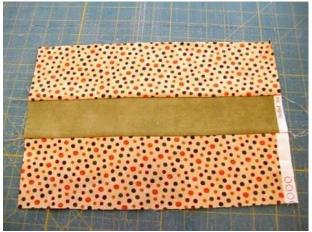
6. Sew the 2 x 44 inch strips and the 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  x 44 inch strips together. Press the seams down as shown, to one side.



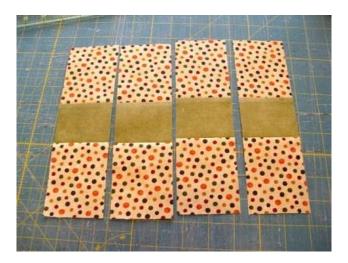
7. Sew the strips together, alternating the 2 and the 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch strips.



8. Sew the (2) 3% inch cream rectangles on both sides of the 2% inch light green rectangle. Press seams.



9. Cut across horizontally at 2 ½ inches. Cut out 4.



10. Take a ruler and find the 60 degree angle, matching it up to the straight seams and cut off a triangle on one end of the orange fabric.



11. Use the line you cut in the previous step to cut out (3) 8 % inch sections.



12. Cut out (4) 6 ½ x 8 ½ inch rectangles.



13. Place (4) 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares on each edge of the pumpkin rectangle.



14. Sew along the line you drew on each square.



15. Leave about a  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch seam and cut off excess fabric. Press the seams down, then out.



16. Pin the stem rectangle to the top of the pumpkin block and stitch.



17. Press seams. The finished block will be approximately 8  $\frac{1}{2}$  inches.



- 18. Cut out (4) 1 ½ x 44 inch dark green strips. From one strip cut out (3) 8 ½ x 1 ½ inch rectangles.
- 19. Cut out (3)  $4 \frac{1}{2} \times 44$  inch brown pumpkin strips for the second border.



20. Sew the 3 dark green 8 ½ x 1 ½ inch rectangles in between the four pumpkin blocks. Press seams, then sew one dark green strip to each side of the runner. Then use the remaining strip to sew across the top and bottom of the runner. Press seams.



21. Sew a 4 ½ inch brown pumpkin strip to each side of the runner. Trim and press. Cut the remaining strip in half and sew to the top and bottom of the runner. Press.



# Congrats on a job well done!



# **One Hour Pumpkin Hot Pad**

By: Judi Harris from Love to Sew Studio

Get your kitchen looking festive fast with this One Hour Pumpkin Hot Pad. This easy quilting tutorial combines scrap quilting and your favorite seasonal fat quarter quilt patterns to show you how to make a quilted pumpkin hot pad. Not only can you use this hot pad to move delicious holiday dishes and drinks around, but you can also display this small quilt project as part of your autumn home decor. You'll find it hard to put down such a useful fall inspired quilt project.



#### **Materials:**

- Small pieces of autumn fabric
- Green scrap fabric measuring about 4 inches x 4 inches
- Quilt batting
- Basic Sewing Supplies

#### **Instructions:**

1. Gather up your fabrics and supplies. Use a ¼ inch seam allowance (using the pressure foot as your guide) when sewing this project.



2. First you will need a pattern for your pumpkin hot pad. You can sketch your own or you are more than welcome to copy and paste the image shown below. You will have to enlarge it before you print it. This pattern was drawn on a 8 ½ inch X 11 inch piece of paper.



#### For Pumpkin:

- Cut 2 pumpkins from orange fabric
- Cut 1 pumpkin from quilt batting

#### For Stem:

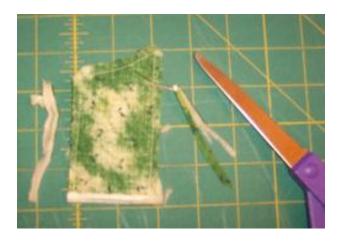
- Cut 2 stems from green fabric
- Cut 1 stem from quilt batting

#### Making the Stem:

Place the quilt batting stem on the table, then place the green fabric stem pieces pretty sides together on top of the batting. Pin in place.

Leave the bottom of the stem open for turning. Stitch around the stem using ¼ inch seam or your pressure foot as your guide. Don't forget, don't sew the bottom!

3. Trim around the stem, being careful not to cut into your stitches. Turn the stem to pretty sides out through the bottom where you didn't sew, and press the stem flat.



4. Place the stem on top of one of the pumpkin pieces pretty side up, with raw edges together. (see following image) Notice the stem is down. Pin in place. Stitch in place.



## Making the Pumpkin:

Place the pumpkin batting flat on a table. Place the pumpkin pieces pretty sides together on top of the batting. Pin around the pumpkin. Leave a 5 inch opening at the bottom for turning.



5. Stitch around the pumpkin using a ¼ inch seam. Don't forget to leave the opening at the bottom. Trim seams.



6. Turn pumpkin pretty side out. Press it so it lies nice and flat. Hand stitch the opening closed.



# 7. Quilting the Pumpkin Hot Pad:

Hand stitch the lines on the pumpkin using a simple running stitch. Hand stitches were indicated on the pattern piece by broken lines.



Your adorable quilted pumpkin hot pad is done! Display it proudly in your home with your other autumn decorations.

# **Pumpkin Patch Quilt Block**

By: Melissa Corry from Happy Quilting

Everyone is guaranteed to fall for this Pumpkin Patch Quilt Block featuring five adorable little pumpkins. This free project is special because the pumpkin pieces are actually detachable. This free quilt pattern is such a fun and interactive activity for kids to play with. Your grandchildren will love removing and replacing the Velcro-backed pumpkins from this cute quilt. Plus, the design is absolutely precious and provides a creative and safe way for the kids to enjoy your quilting. This project is also wonderful because it will transition you from Halloween to Thanksgiving. What could be better?



#### **Materials:**

- (2) Orange 10 inch x 10 inch squares (or large orange scraps)
- Blue 8 ½ inch x 12 ½ inch rectangle
- (4) Yellow 1 ½ inch x 3 ½ inch rectangles
- Yellow 1 ½ inch x 12 ½ inch strip
- Green 2 ½ inch x 3 ½ inch rectangles
- Green 1 ½ inch x 3 ½ inch rectangles
- Scrap batting pieces
- 5 black buttons

#### Instructions:



#### 1. Making the Background:

Start by laying your 4 yellow rectangles and 5 green rectangles out as follows with the small green rectangles at the beginning and end of the row. Place the yellow rectangles on the green rectangles with right sides together and sew a ¼ inch seam along the aligned edge. Press.

Finish sewing the row together by placing the second pieced set onto the first pieced set with right sides together and sew a ¼ inch seam along the aligned edge. Press. Continue adding the third, fourth, and then fifth piece.



Now layout the blue rectangle, yellow strip, and pieced strip as follows.

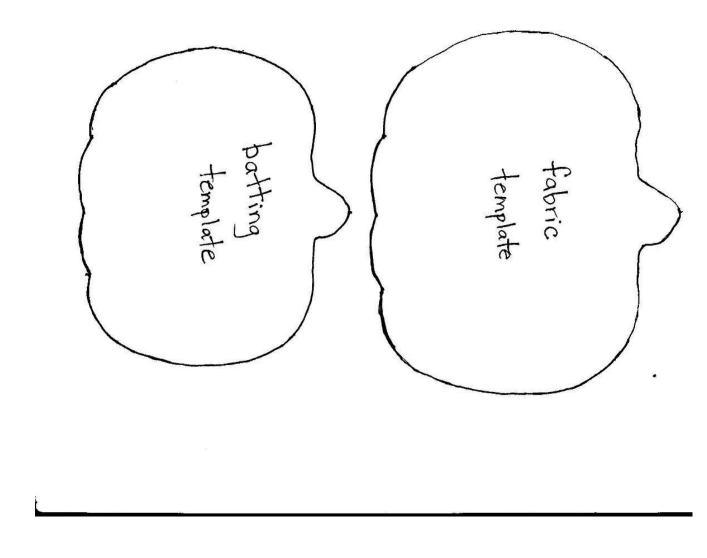


Sew the three rows together using the same method employed to piece the strip together. The background to your block is now complete and can be set aside for the moment.



# 2. Making the Pumpkins:

Print out the following template. Just save the image to your computer and then add it to a word file. You will want to size your fabric template to about 3 ½ inches x 4 inches. You can also choose to just make your own pumpkin template or just free hand your pumpkins making them each unique.



Trace the pumpkin template onto your orange fabric. Trace 5 template pieces with the template right side up and 5 template pieces with the template right side down. If you prefer, you may use a water soluble pen to do this, but a regular pen will also work. Cut your 10 pumpkins out.



Now trace 5 pumpkins onto scrap batting using the batting template. If you want your pumpkins super puffy then double up your batting. Cut out the batting pumpkins.



Lay a right side up and a right side down fabric pumpkin together with right sides facing each other. Then place a batting pumpkin on top. Stitch a ¼ inch seam around the entire edge of the pumpkin leaving a gap in the side. Remember to back stitch at the start and finish. Turn your pumpkin right side out through the hole. Use a pencil or pointed tool to push the edges out. Press. Fold the raw edges under and pin. Sitch a ¼ inch seam around the entire pumpkin, closing the hole. Repeat to make 5 pumpkins.



To make the pumpkins removable, stitch a button hole into the center of all 5 pumpkins using the buttonhole foot for your machine. If your machine doesn't have a buttonhole foot, you can make a buttonhole using a zig-zag stitch.



## 3. Attaching the Pumpkins:

Lay your pumpkins onto your background fabric and move them around until you get them placed in a manner pleasing to you. Using a marking pin, mark through the center of the buttonhole onto the background block.



Now simply stitch a button onto each of the 5 markings. You may use a zig-zag stitch with your feed dogs down to sew on your buttons.



Button your pumpkins onto your block.





# **Ghostly Pumpkin Mug Rug Pattern**

By: Debra Dooley from Damsel Quilts & Crafts

Make a pumpkin quilt mug rug pattern just for Halloween! This Ghostly Pumpkin Mug Rug Pattern is made in the shape of our favorite fall gourd, and features a spooky scene that will remind you of Halloween. Applique a ghost, a leafless tree, and an eerie owl to the front of this pumpkin for a festive table decoration. This is the perfect mug mat to bring out when you're enjoying your pumpkin spice lattes.



#### **Materials:**

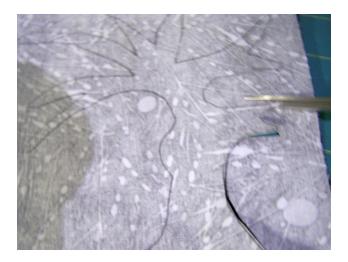
- Scrap 10 inch x 10 inch mottled orange cotton fabric for front pumpkin
- Scrap 10 inch x 10 inch Halloween treat fabric
- Scrap of black print cotton fabric for tree
- Scrap white print cotton fabric for ghost
- Scrap mottled brown cotton fabric for owl
- Scrap green print cotton fabric 2-4 inch squares for stem
- Cotton batting 10 inch x 10 inch square for pumpkin
- Cotton batting 4 inch x 4 inch square for stem
- Paper back fusible web
- Fabric marking pen
- Yellow and black fabric paint
- Small fine tip paint brush

## **Instructions:**

1. Place pumpkin pattern on fold of orange and treat fabric. Cut one of each. Press open. Set aside. (Pattern located at end of instructions).



2. Draw tree, ghost, and owl onto paper sides of small, separate pieces of paper back fusible web.



3. Iron tree to wrong side of black fabric, ghost to wrong side of white fabric, and owl to wrong side of brown fabric.



4. Cut out all three along drawn lines.



5. Peel off paper back and place pieces on orange pumpkin top as shown below or place however you like.



6. Press in place when you are happy with placement.



7. Outline tree, ghost, and owl with decorative stitch and color coordinated thread.



8. Lay top pumpkin on top of batting and trim the batting to ½ inch all the way around so batting has the same shape as pumpkin.



- 9. Layer back right side down, then batting, and then top right side up, aligning top and bottom so edges match as much as possible.
- 10. Pin to secure layers.
- 11. Quilt as desired.



12. Trim off excess batting.

#### 13. For Stem:

Take the 2-4 inch green squares and batting and lay out as follows:

- 1) Lay down batting
- 2) Lay down 1 green 4 inch square right side up on top of batting
- 3) Lay other green square wrong side up on top

14. Using the stem pattern, draw around stem with fabric marking pen, on top wrong side.



- 15. Pin along sides to hold layers in place while you sew.
- 16. Stitch on drawn line using a small stitch; leaving bottom open.



17. Trim around stem to ½ inch from stitching. Turn right side out and turn in bottom edge and slipstitch. Press.

18. Attach stem to top front of pumpkin.



- 19. Slipstitch stem in place.
- 20. Use black and yellow fabric paint to add details to ghost and owl; referring to pattern for detail.



## 21. Let dry and you're finished!

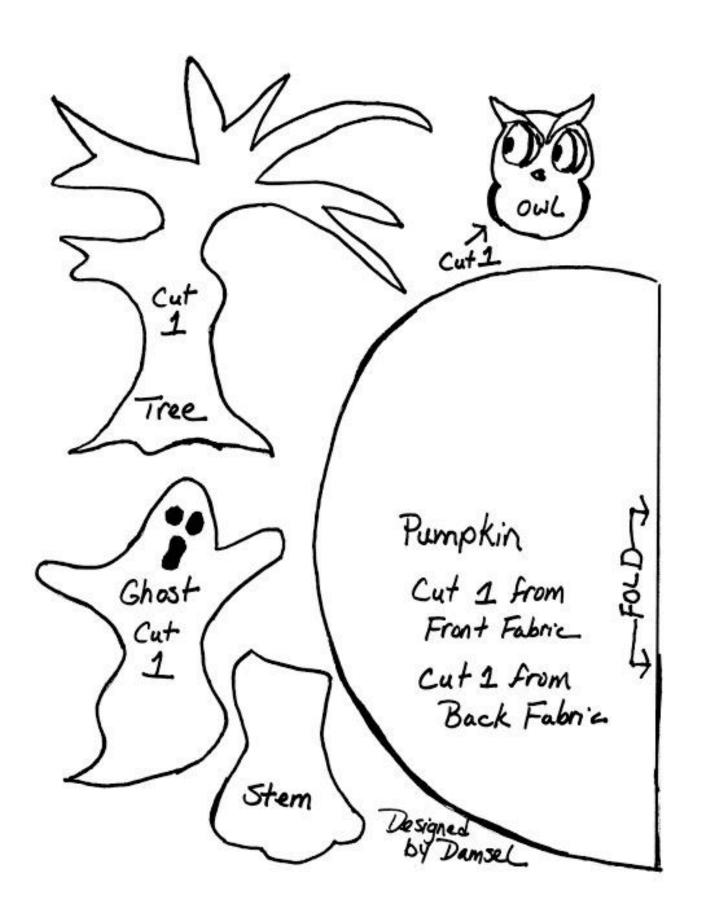












# Other Quilted Halloween Ideas

#### **Monster Tote Bag**

By: Cintia Gonzalez-Pell from My Poppet Makes

The only thing better than a new tote bag is a new tote bag you don't have to pay for. Upcycle an old chair cushion into this adorable Monster Tote Bag that's as cute as it is useful. This quilted tote bag pattern is surprisingly easy to make. The cushion itself does most of the work for you, as you'll be keeping the basic structure the same. All you have to do is sew the pieces together and add some fun monster applique of your own design. This bag is great for a child's library or overnight bag. It's big enough to store almost anything your child could need, from clothes to books to arts and crafts. For a fun way to get the kids involved, have them design their own monster so that they can show off their art whenever they carry this adorable tote around.



#### **Materials:**

- Monster face template PDF (located at end of tutorial)
- Old cushion/pillow cover with zippered side NOT ENVELOPE BACK (or 2 squares of fabric 42 x 42 cm [16 inches x16 inches])
- For straps: Strong fabric 2 x 10 cm x 58 cm (4 inch x 22 inch) pieces
- Fabric scraps in your choice of colors for applique
- Sewing machine
- General sewing supplies

#### **Instructions:**

1. Cut the zip off your cushion cover.



2. The seams of this cover were unfinished so you may cut off excess fabric to help reduce the bulk when sewing in french seams. If you want to use the outside design of your cushion cover, go straight to step 5.



3. Turn cushion cover right side out and sew a 1 cm seam (1/2 inch) along dotted line.



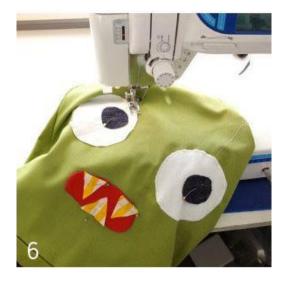
4. This is what it should look like. Turn inside out. This will now be the outside of your bag.



5. Print out the monster face template and cut out your fabric shapes. Arrange as desired and pin.



6. Sew on using either zig zag (satin) stitch or just a straight stitch or a combination of both.



# To Make Bag Handles:

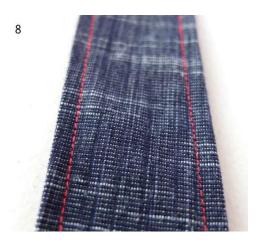
Cut two pieces of strong fabric (such as old denim) 10 cm x 58 cm (4 inches x 22 inches).



7. Fold in half lengthwise (the right side in) and sew along dotted line. Turn inside out.



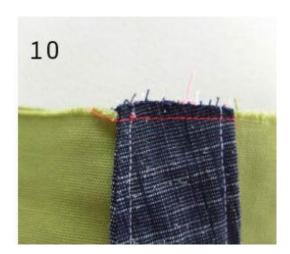
8. Press and top stitch as pictured.



9. Pin straps to desired position on the outside of bag facing down.



10. Stitch in place to hold.



11. Turn bag insideout and press a hem of about 1 cm (1/2 inch) on the top edge (this should make the handles face up now).



12. Roll over a hem about 2 cm (1 inch) wide and press (handles should face down now).



13. Pin handles to face up.



14. Stitch 2x seams as shown in picture.



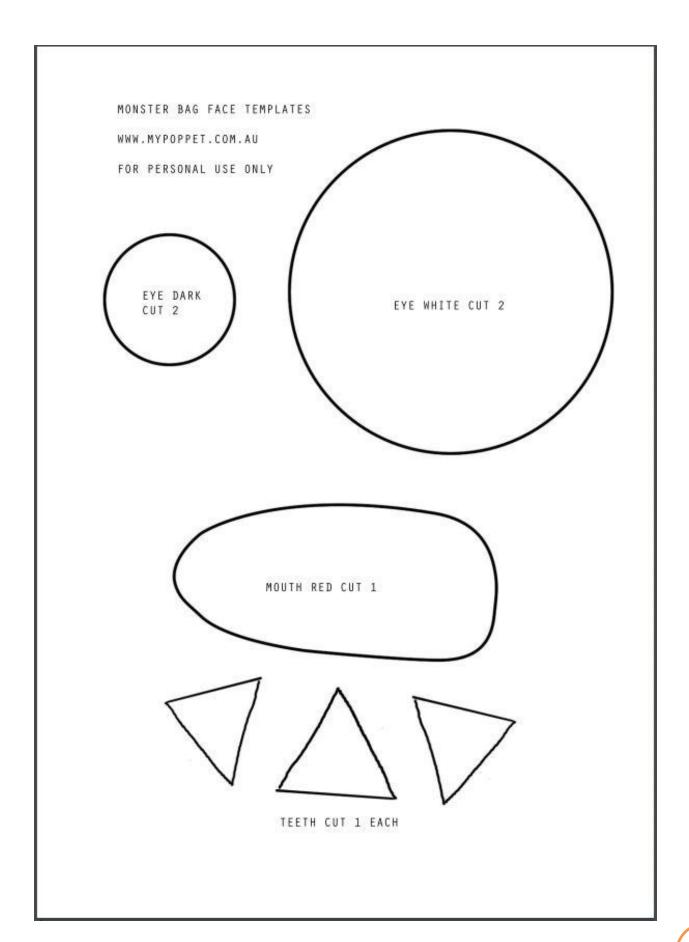
15. Well done! You have made a super cool monster tote bag from an old unwanted cushion cover.











### **Halloween Inspiration Patchwork Pillow**

By: Jodi Nelson from Pleasant Home

Get ready to create some spookily adorable Halloween décor with this easy patchwork pillow project. Use a Halloween charm square pack to make this quick and easy Halloween Inspiration Patchwork Pillow. This tutorial for making homemade pillow cases looks great with Halloween fabrics, but you could easily make it in other colors too! Create a charming charm pack pillow using your favorite Halloween prints and colors with this quick quilting tutorial.

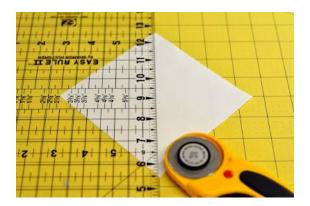


#### **Materials:**

- 9 5 inch x 5 inch printed fabric squares
- 9 5 inch x 5 inch white fabric squares
- 4 1 inch x 22 inch pieces of fabric for trim
- Backing

# Instructions:

1. Cut 5 inch x 5 inch white squares in half diagonally.



2. Cut those triangles in half.



3. Cut 5 inch x 5 inch printed squares in half diagonally and in half again.



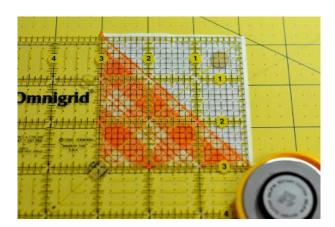
4. Sew one white triangle to one print triangle right sides together.



5. Press open, towards print side.



6. You should have 36 blocks/squares for a 16 inch pillow. Square them up at 3 inches.



7. Lay out the blocks. Sew them in rows either across or up and down, according to your preference.



8. Iron the seams open to reduce bulk.



9. Add a 1 inch border (the pieced top isn't quite big enough for a 16 inch pillow).



10. You may quilt this pillow if you like. Just add a piece of batting to the wrong side of the top and quilt as you normally would, before adding the pillow back.



### Spooky Spun Sugar Quilt

By: Vickie Eapen from Spun Sugar Quilts

Show off your Halloween quilting fabrics by sewing mini quilts. This Spooky Spun Sugar Quilt is one of those small quilted projects that will come together in no time. The colors in this project scream Halloween, too. The orange and black color combination is classic, but we also love the purple and green color combination, too. The wonky-ness of this quilt design also ties in nicely with the theme of Halloween. Your quilt will definitely look like it belongs in a fun house. Use this quilt as a showstopper wall decoration or set it out as a stellar table topper. Everyone will be in awe.

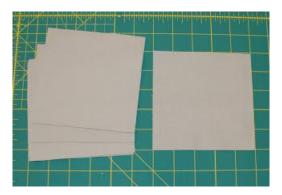


#### **Materials:**

- Charm Pack Haunted Mansion by Sanae for Moda
- ½ yard Haunted Mansion sku #322376-17
- 1 yard Bella Solid Grey
- Creative Grid Straight Out of Line Ruler

# Instructions:

1. Cut 5 inch strip of Bella Solid Grey. Subcut the Bella Grey into (8) 5 inch squares.



2. Choose 8 charm squares.



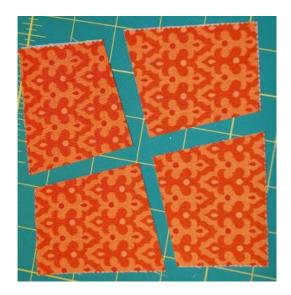
3. Now layer one grey 5 inch solid with one charm square. Be sure that the print is facing up. Make 4.



4. Line up the Straight Out of Line Ruler on the 5 mark.



5. Cut on the ruler edge. Following instructions on the ruler, turn the ruler 90 degrees and cut again. The results are 4 wonky pieces.



6. Shuffle the pieces by alternating 2 solids and 2 prints as shown.



7. Sew together similar to a 4 patch, carefully flipping one piece on to the other and pinning. Because of the wonky cuts, they will not line up the same as straight cut pieces. You should have 8 blocks 4 ½ inch X 4 ½ inch at this point.



- 8. Take a solid 5 inch square and layer it with a charm square wrong side up. Print must be wrong side up. Continue to subcut the squares the same way as you did for the first 8 blocks.
- 9. It is critical, for a successful arrangement, that you do not flip the ruler in this entire process. Just turn the ruler. If you flip it, then all of your blocks will go the same direction and the solid will not alternate with the prints once they are sewn together.



10. If your blocks are correctly cut, then continue to piece them as before.



11. You should have 8 more 4 ½ inch X 4 ½ inch wonky blocks.

12. Arrange your blocks as desired. You may choose to have the solid alternate with the prints. In addition to that, when quilting, you may connect the corners with straight line quilting using a matching grey thread.



13. Bind in a strip on the bias or however you wish.

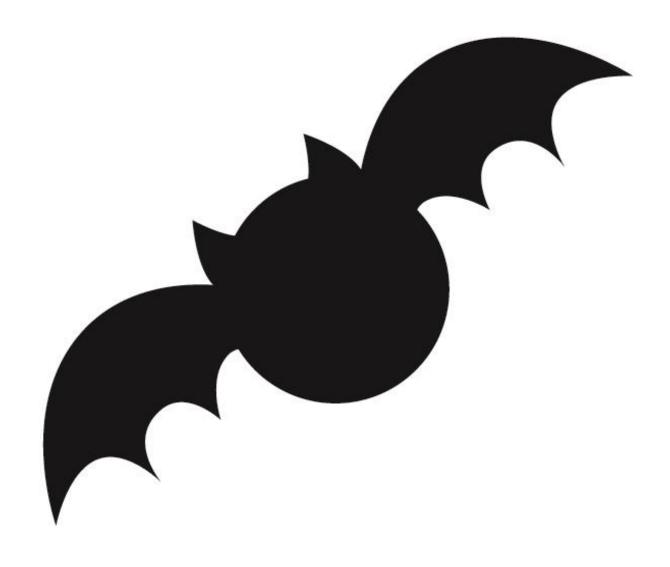


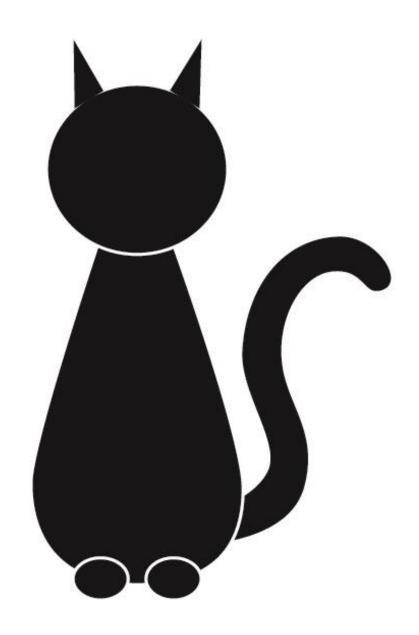
14. And there you have it! Spooky Spun Sugar Little Quilt that's just in time for Halloween.

## **Halloween Applique Patterns**

By: Emily Sterneman for FaveQuilts

This Halloween, treat yourself to some spookily fun applique patterns, brought to you by FaveQuilts! These easy applique patterns are perfect for beginners and are printable, meaning you can have these adorable applique projects at your fingertips with the click of a button. You can create an appliqued ghost, black cat, or bat that looks hauntingly perfect on bags and small quilted projects. These DIY applique patterns are also wonderful for Halloween home décor and would look charming on your grandchild's treat bag. You can even create an entire quilt covered in wacky and whimsical Halloween appliques. Celebrate one of the funnest holidays in style this year with these quick and easy applique ideas!









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