

SCRAPPY PAPER-PIECED HOTPAD

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YOU'LL NEED:

1 fat quarter of 100% cotton (or scraps)

1/3 yard Insul-Brite

1/3 yard cotton batting such as Warm & Natural

Scraps of 100% cotton fabric

Embroidery floss or perle cotton

6" Narrow ribbon

Tracing or white paper

Walking foot sewing machine attachment

Basic sewing supplies

CUTTING:

Backing: Cut (2) 11" x 6"

Insul-Brite: Cut (1) 11" x 11"

Cotton Batting: Cut (1) 11" x 11" Top: Cut (20) 2" x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " strips

Cut (1) 3¾" diameter circle

Scrappy Paper-Pieced Hotpad

(Makes 2)

ASSEMBLING, STITCHING, AND FINISHING DETAILS:

- * 1/4" seam allowance unless otherwise noted.
- * RST = Right sides together.
- * Place fabric and pattern together, wrong sides together.
- * Place fabric pieces beyond the edge of the pattern.
- * Always add pieces in numerical order.
- * Use a large size needle (14+) and a small stitch length (this makes the paper tear off easily).
- * For more information on paper piecing, refer to the following webpage: http://www.quilt.com/HowTo/FoundationHowToPage.html
- 1. Trace 2 copies of the pattern piece.
- 2. When placing fabric over #1 and #10, make sure to place it so the side edges extend over the seam allowance.
- 3. Stitch the fabric strips to the pattern, beginning with 1 and ending with 10. Trim seam allowances to $\frac{1}{4}$ " after you stitch each piece to the pattern. (This can be done by folding your pattern out of the way and cutting fabric.) Make 2.
- 4. Stitch the 2 pattern pieces together (#1 to #10 and #10 to #1).
- 5. Baste stitch $\frac{1}{4}$ " in around the circle edge, making sure to leave thread tails at each end. Pull one thread just enough to shape the circle so the edges fold under $\frac{1}{4}$ " and press.
- 6. Topstitch circle to center of pattern.
- 7. Cut out hotpad top on outside solid black line.
- 8. Gently tear away paper from hotpad.
- 9. Baste stitch ribbon loop to right side of hotpad top (the folded edge of ribbon will face the center of hotpad and raw edges will match up with hotpad raw edges).
- 10. RST, stitch backing fabric together along 1 long side. Begin and end stitching with a regular stitch length and a baste stitch the center 5". Press seam open.
- 11. RST, pin top and backing together. Baste stitch together close to outer edge of hotpad (a large circle about $\frac{1}{2}$ " in works great). Cut off excess backing fabric to match top.
- 12. Layer and pin hotpad together in following order: Cotton batting, insul-brite, hotpad top facing down.
- 13. Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance, stitch outer edge through all layers. Trim batting and insul-brite close to stitches.
- 14. Remove baste stitches from backing center seam. Remove baste stitches securing hotpad top and backing together.
- 15. Turn hotpad right side out through opening in backing. Hand stitch backing closed.
- 16. Quilt through all layers as desired.
- 17. Hand-embroider buttonhole stitch around circle.

