

Mug Mat and Mug Warmer

Mug Mat Requirements:

For front of mat 6 strips of fabric 1.5" by 5"

Backing fabric 6.5" by 5"

Piece of Wadding 6.5" by 5"

Scraps of fabric for appliqué (optional)

Steam a Seam or similar for appliqué (optional)

Threads for sewing and embellishing.

1. Sew the 6 strips together along the long edges using a 1/4" seam, and alternating the direction you sew each strip in see diagram (a). Press all seams in the same direction.
2. Decide if you wish to appliqué a small motif on the front of your mat, or whether you wish to embroider along each seam. Either of these techniques can be done by machine or hand sewing.
3. Place the right sides of the Backing piece and the front fabric together, then place the wadding on top. Machine around the edge using a 1/4" seam, leaving a 2" gap along one long edge. Trim the corners making sure not to cut through the stitching. Turn inside out making sure that your corners are nice and sharp. Hand sew the small gap together using ladder stitch, pulling both fabrics together see diagram (b). Press lightly.
4. Sew around the edge approximately 1/4" in.

Mug Warmer Requirements:

12 strips of fabric 1.5" by 4.5"

4.5" x 12" piece of backing fabric

4.5" x 12" piece of wadding

1 coordinating hair tie

1 small button

Scraps of fabric for appliqué (optional)

Steam a Seam or similar for appliqué (optional)

Coordinating thread for sewing and embellishing.

Card for Template.

1. Make a card template of diagram (c).
2. Sew the 12 strips together along the long edges using a 1/4" seam, and alternating the direction you sew each strip in see diagram (a). Press all seams in the same direction. Lay the template onto the front of your fabric, mark around the outside and carefully cut out on this line.

3. Decide if you wish to appliqué a small motif on the front of your wrap or whether you wish to embroider along each seam. Either of these techniques can be done by machine or hand sewing.
4. Lay your backing fabric down, wrong side up and trace around the template and carefully cut out.
5. Also cut out your Wadding using the template.
6. Now take your hair tie and using a small length of thread, fold your elastic and wrap thread around about a third of the way up and tie a knot.
5. Place your hair tie on the patchwork piece, in the centre of one short side, the large loop lying on the patchwork piece, secure with a few stitches, avoiding the metal piece.
6. Now lay the backing piece onto the patchwork piece, right sides together. Then place the wadding on top. Pin together securely, then sew all pieces together using a 1/4" seam, leaving a 2" gap on one long edge for turning. Trim the corners, being careful not to cut through the stitching. Turn inside out making sure that your corners are nice and sharp. Hand sew the small gap together using ladder stitch pulling both fabrics together see diagram (b). Press lightly.
7. Top stitch very close to the edge.
8. On the patchwork side opposite the hair tie, sew your button on about 1.5" to 2" in. This may need a little adjusting depending on the size of your mug.