

# Table Décor

## Placemats & Centerpieces

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See text files provided with designs for specific supplies, fabric preparation & cutting instructions. These instructions will work for both the placemats and centerpieces. The only difference: The fabric is cut to different sizes.



1. Hoop stabilizer in hoop. Stitch placement line on stabilizer only. (Designs for smaller hoops will stitch corner placement lines instead)



2. Mark center on fabric edge & tape next to outline keeping marked center even with placement line center mark. On corner designs – place fabric corner right next to corner placement line and tape in place.



3. Stitch designs following instructions in text file. Picture shows 2 motifs in 1 hooping. Corner designs will stitch 1 motif per corner. Repeat instructions until motifs are stitched in all 4 corners.



4. For those with 8" or wider hoops, skip this step because the center design is already stitched! For smaller hoops - hoop stabilizer and stitch cross placement line on stabilizer only. Spray area with temporary adhesive spray.



5. Fold fabric in half & in half again to find center. Place folded fabric inside one corner of placement line.



6. Unfold fabric until smooth and flat in hoop ( should be secured with the adhesive spray)



7. Stitch center motif in center of fabric following instructions in text file. Remove from hoop and trim stabilizer close to edge of all designs.



8. Pin 2 border strips (right sides facing) to long mat sides and stitch with  $\frac{1}{2}$  seam allowance. Stitch ~6" basting stitches in the center on one side (will be reopened to turn mat later)



9. Fold borders out from center (to right side) and press. Seam allowances should face out. Pin last borders to remaining sides of mat.



10. Stitch last two border strips to mat ( $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance).



11. Flip borders away from center & press.



12. Remove basting stitches along border to create opening.



13. Pin back fabric to front & stitch together with 1/2" seam allowance.



14. Clip outside corners. Pull through opening to the right side. Use pointer tool in corners until even & square. Maneuver edges until seams are straight and even. Steam press.



15. Pin opening along border so that it is nice & straight.



16. Top stitch along inner edge of border. Move needle to far left position and keep edge of border even with left edge of foot.



17. Next, move needle to the center position and top stitch outside edge keeping edge of mat even with right edge of foot. Here is your finished placemat!