

Turkey Table Topper

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# Virtual Sewing Guild OnLine Class

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## Supply List:

- \* Front Fabric
- \* Back and Border Fabric
- \* Fusible knit interfacing or Jenny Haskins Sheer Magic Plus:
- \* Tear Away Stabilizer
- \* Printed template of Turkey design (optional)
- \* Embroidery and construction Thread
- \* Tear Away Stabilizer

## Equipment List:

- \* Embroidery Machine in good working order
- \* Stitch in the ditch foot
- \* Iron and Ironing Board
- \* Pressing Sheet
- \* Towel for passing embroidery
- \* General Sewing Supplies



### Note:

These instructions are to be used in conjunction with the video for this class.

Jenny Haskins Sheer Magic Plus or Fusible knit interfacing

I choose to only fuse this to the ends of my fabric to increase the number of stitches my fabric could hold during embroidery. You might choose to fuse this to entire piece of your front fabric. Do a test to determine what will work best for your particular fabric combinations.

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Fabric	Quantity	prep
<b>Front Fabric:</b> 12” x 45 “ or WOF WOF=Width of fabric	1	Fuse with Jenny Haskins Sheer Magic Plus or knit interfacing.  You can fuse the entire piece or just a the ends.  If you are just doing the ends use a piece 12” x 16”  If you are doing the entire piece it would be 12” x 45”
<b>Back and Border fabric</b> 18” x 45” or WOF	1	no prep necessary
<b>Jenny Haskins Sheer Margin Plus or Fusible Knit Interfacing:</b>		See prep instructions for Front Fabric (above)  Be sure to follow the manufactures instructions for fusing.

## Prep and Embroidery

1. Cut and prep your fabric according to the chart on the previous page
2. Optional: Print a turkey template. This can be printed in black and white or color, and on regular printer paper. This template should be printed at a 1:1 ratio, or in other words, it needs to print out at the exact size it will stitch out.
3. Load the design onto your sewing machine
4. Mark the horizontal and vertical crosshairs for placement of your embroidery design on both ends of your front fabric
  1. Measure up 10" from one short edge and draw a line parallel to the short edge
  2. Measure in from on long edge 6" and mark a line parallel to the long edge and perpendicular to the first line you drew.
  3. Where these two lines intersect is where you will center your fabric for embroidery



5. Hoop one layer of tear away stabilizer and your table runner fabric
  1. Have the center of the cross hairs centered in the hoop
  2. Make sure your design and fabric are positioned so the design will stitch out facing the direction you want. In my example the turkey feathers are facing (or closest to), the center of the table runner, and the “feet” of the turkey are closest to the short edges.
6. Float a piece of tear away stabilizer under the hoop and above the feed dogs for added stabilization.
7. Stitch the entire design changing colors as you go
8. Repeat for the other end of the table runner
9. Remove the excess stabilizer
10. Place a towel on top of your pressing surface
11. Place the embroidered turkey on the towel with the right side of the embroidery touching the towel and press from the back (wrong side) of your project.

## Construction

1. Trim the embroidered fabric to 11" x 45" using your rotary cutter, ruler and mat.
2. Find the center of both long ends on the front fabric and mark with a pin
3. Find the center of both long ends on the back fabric and mark with a pin
4. Put the back of the table runner and the front embroidered piece of the table runner right sides together and pin one long edge, being sure to match up the center marks.
5. Stitch using a 1/2" seam allowance
6. Repeat for the other long edge. Remember the back fabric is wider than the front.
7. Press the seams how they were pressed and then towards the backing and border fabric
8. Turn right sides out
9. Find the center of both short ends on the front fabric and mark with a pin
10. Find the center of both short ends on the back fabric and mark with a pin
11. Adjust the fabric so the front and back centers meet and the amount of border on each side of the embroidered design is the same on both sides.
12. Press
13. Stitch in the ditch with the Stitch in the ditch foot.
14. Fold the table runner in half long ways so the front right side is touching itself.
15. Stitch the short ends with a 1/2" seam allowance
16. Press
17. Trim the corner
18. Turn right sides out to form a point at each end
19. Press
20. Stitch in the ditch through all layers along the border to hold everything in place.

**Remember to refer to the video for more information if needed.**

