Christmas Mat Tutorial

A great Christmas project, using the beautiful new fabrics from Dear Stella - Christmas Darlings range. Available from olive and flo handcraft.





This Christmas table mat has been designed by me <u>Creativeblonde</u>, hope you enjoy my print friendly tutorial... You can check out more of my tutorials on my blog at <u>www.creativeblonde.co.uk</u> or follow me on <u>Instagram.</u>

Supplies:

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- Fat quarter of the Christmas Dachshunds
- Fat quarter of the Red Dear Stella hearts
- 2 fat quarters of the kona snow
- Red and Green threads
- Fat quarter of interlining (Vilene G700)
- Fabric marker pen, basic sewing supplies
- Batting 22" x 15"



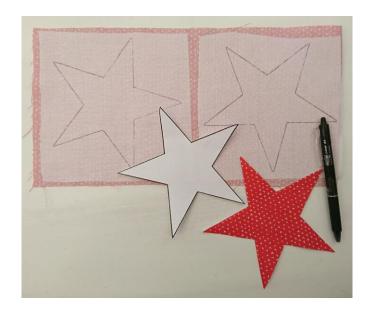
Let's begin:

Cut 2 rectangles measuring 22" x 10" from the kona snow fabric. Cut 4 rectangles measuring 22" x 4" from the Christmas Dachshunds fabric

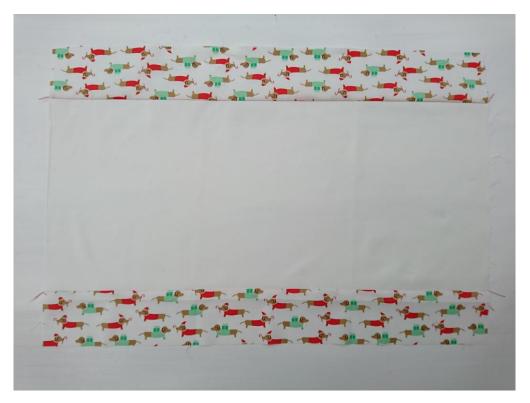
Print off a basic 6" star (measuring from tip to tip) and draw this out on to your interlining, cut these out with excess around them and iron fix them onto the reverse of the Red Dear Stella Hearts fabric.



Then carefully cut these out.



Using the red thread, sew the two Dachshund strips using ¼" seam allowance to the top and bottom of the kona snow. (I reversed the direction of mine, so they were the correct way around depending on which side of the table you were sitting at). Press seams to the pattern side.

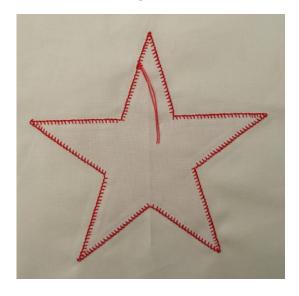




Position the stars on to the top of the table mat. (I placed mine in a descending pattern across the mat.) Once you are happy with the placement, use a small amount of fabric glue to hold in place, while you blanket stitch using the a vibrate red thread around the three hearts.



Using a needle, thread the loose ends through to the reverse of the table mat, as shown in the photo below, this will avoid any of the blanket stitch from coming undone.





Baste the batting to the reverse of the top piece of the table mat, place the bottom piece of fabric right sides together.



Using a ½" seam allowance, sew all the way around, leaving a 4" gap to turn the placemat the correct way around. Turn the placemat right side out, press and using a ladder stitch sew up the gap.



Using a fabric marker pen, and a ruler with a ¼" seam allowance marker, draw a line around each star



Stitch over these lines using your green thread, through all layers of your placemat, this will ensure the batting will not move inside. Sew your loose ends under the top layer to hide them.







Your Christmas Darlings table mat is complete, thanks for reading...



Be sure to check out my other Dear Stella – Christmas Darlings table mats, also available on my blog at www.creativeblonde.co.uk and at Olive and Flo Handcraft.



Merry Christmas - from creative blonde x