

PATRIOTIC PICNIC SET



Designed specifically for WHITE

Set out some red, white and blue for your next family picnic.

Coordinate the fabrics for a patchwork of fun. Stitch up a reversible tablecloth, place mat/silverware holders, napkins, a casserole cover and a wine bottle carrier. It's the perfect combination for a sunny day at the park. Just add the ants!

SUPPLIES

Fabric requirements are for all items. All fabrics are 45" wide. All seam allowances are 1/4" wide.

- ♦ 4 yards each of three coordinating cotton prints
- ♦ 1 3/4 yards of a fourth coordinating cotton print
- ♦ 3 yards of a solid-color cotton
- 2 yards of muslin or a similar fabric for backing

- ♦ 3 packages of Medium Rick Rack
- ♦ 5 packages of Jumbo Rick Rack
- ♦ Cotton quilt batting (thin)
- ♦ Assorted buttons
- Spray adhesive
- ♦ Fabric glue stick
- ♦ 1/4" straight stitch foot
- Walking foot
- Fabric marking pencil or chalk

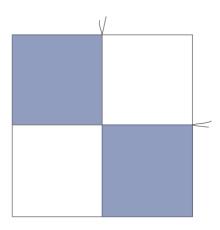


REVERSIBLE TABLECLOTH

The finished tablecloth is a 52" square.

Side One:

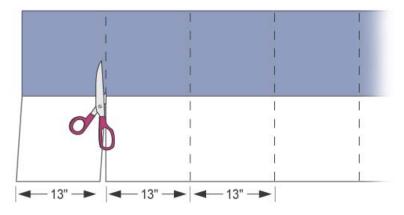
1. Cut or tear two 26 1/2" squares from two different fabrics. Stitch the squares together using a 1/4" seam allowance and the 1/4" straight stitch foot as shown here.



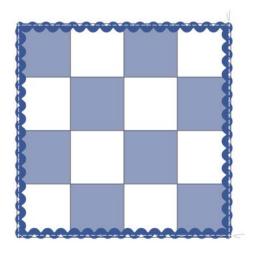
2. Position the medium size rick rack over the seams and straight stitch in place.

Side Two:

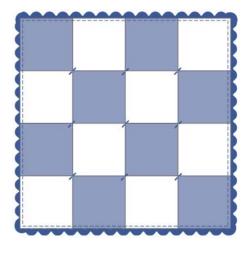
- 1. Cut or tear two 13 1/2" x 45" strips from two different fabrics.
- 2. Stitch two different fabric strips together along the long edge using a 1/4" seam allowance and the 1/4" straight stitch foot. Press the seams to one side.
- 3. Mark and cut the newly sewn strip into 13"-wide pieces.



- 4. Stitch the pieces back together in a checkerboard pattern with four squares across and four squares down using the walking foot to avoid any fabric slippage. Press the seams to one side alternating the seams.
- 5. Stitch the jumbo rick rack to the right side along the outside edge. The seam allowance in this step will be slightly less than 1/4".



- 6. Pin Side One to Side Two, right sides together, and stitch leaving a 6" opening along one edge. Be sure to take a full 1/4" seam so the seam holding the rick rack does not show.
- 7. Turn right side out and press well along the edges. Topstitch close to the edge to hold the rick rack flat.
- 8. Tack the two layers together in the center and along the seam lines by using the built-in bar tack stitch following your instruction manual for set-up. Or lower the feed dogs, setting the machine for a small zigzag and stitch six to eight times in one spot. If your machine has a button sew-on setting this can also be used to tack the layers in place.

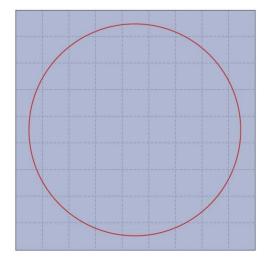




CASSEROLE COVER

This cover will fit a 13"-16" round casserole dish.

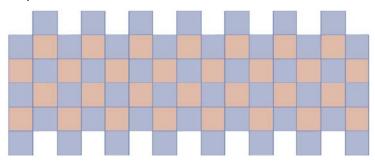
- 1. For the bottom section of the casserole cover, cut an 18" x18" square from one print fabric, the muslin and the batting. With right sides out, layer the batting between the two fabric pieces. Use the spray adhesive to hold the layers in place.
- 2. Using your walking foot and quilt guide bar, machine-quilt the square with the lines of stitching 2" apart in both directions creating a grid pattern.
- 3. Draw a 16" diameter circle pattern. Trace the pattern on the newly created fabric and cut out. Using the same circle pattern, cut a bottom lining piece.



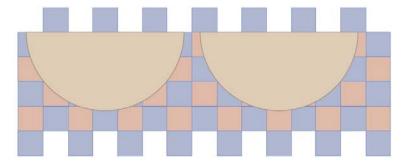
4. Stitch rick rack around the circle on the printed fabric side in the same way as the tablecloth with the edge of the Rick Rack along the edge of the circle.

For the top of the cover, the patchwork design is created using one of the print fabrics and the solid colored fabric.

5. Cut or tear enough fabric to make six strips that are 2 1/2" by 60". (NOTE: Use 1 1/2 strips of fabric that are cut across the 45" width of fabric and you will have one section with seams that can be discarded.) Seam together along the long side. Cut the sewn strip into 2 1/2" strips. Reassemble into a checkerboard pattern.

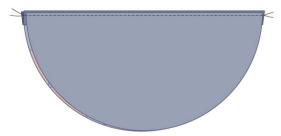


 Cut the circle pattern used for the top section in half. Layer the pieced fabric, batting and muslin as before, using spray adhesive to hold the layers together. Place the half circle patterns on the layers so the edges match. Cut carefully.

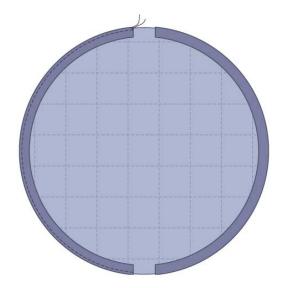


7. Baste the layers of each half circle together. The two half circles can be quilted at this time by stitching-in-the-ditch or buttons can be tacked in the center of each solid-colored square to hold the layers together.

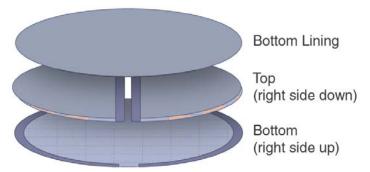
- 8. Cut enough 1 3/4"-wide bias strips to make a 100"-long bias strip. Fold the strip in half, wrong sides together, and press.
- 9. Using the half circle pattern, cut two half circles from the lining fabric.
- 10. Fold in the raw ends of the bias 1/2" at one end. Place one each of lining and one half circle, right sides together, with a bias piece between the layers, matching all raw edges and positioning the bias ½" in from the side. Stitch along the straight edges of the half circles. Stop stitching 1" from the opposite edge and fold in the raw ends of the bias 1/2". Continue stitching to the end.



- 11. Fold the casserole bottom in half and mark the center points along the edges.
- 12. Fold in the ends of the bias 1/2" and stitch the folded bias strip to the outer edge, matching raw edges and beginning 1/2" from each side of the center marks.



13. Layer all the casserole pieces as shown and stitch all the way around the circle. Turn right side out.



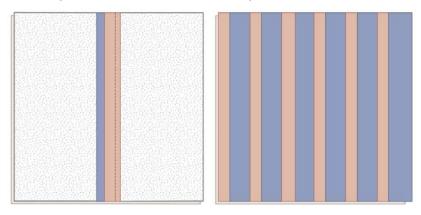
14. Create ties by cutting or tearing 2"-wide strips x 45" long. Press in half with wrong sides together. Open out and press the raw edges to the center. Fold each strip in half so raw edges are encased and topstitch close to the edge. Cut into four pieces. Using a bodkin or large safety pin, feed the ties through the bias casings on each casserole top half and around the outside edge. Pull to gather the edges to fit the casserole.



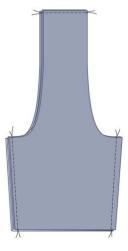
WINE BOTTLE CARRIER

1. Print and cut out the pattern pieces. Cut a piece of muslin and batting at least 18" square.

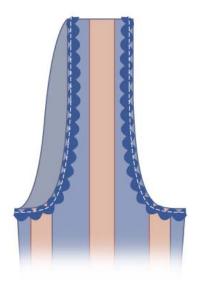
- 2. Select two complementary fabrics, from one cut three 2 1/4" x 45" strips, from the other cut three 1 1/2"-wide pieces.
- 3. Place the batting on top of the muslin. Place one of the wider strips in the center of the muslin/batting square, right side up. Place a narrower strip on top of the wider one with right sides together and one edge matching. Stitch the layers together using a 1/4" seam. Press the top strip open. Continue with the stitch and flip method until the entire square in covered.



- 4. Quilt the layers together by stitching-in-the-ditch using a straight stitch or alternate the rows with a feather stitch.
- 5. Cut out two bag and one bottom sections from the quilted fabric. Cut out two bag sections and one bottom from a complementary lining fabric. With right sides together, stitch the side and handle seams on each set of pieces.



- 6. Stitch the bottom to each. (NOTE: Depending on the weight and bulk of the fabrics, it may be necessary to slightly gather the edge of the bottom circle to fit.) Turn each piece right side out and place the lining inside the wine holder, wrong sides together, matching the seams and edges; pin.
- 7. On the right side of the carrier, baste rick rack along the rounded open sides through all layers, matching the edge of the rick rack with the raw edges.

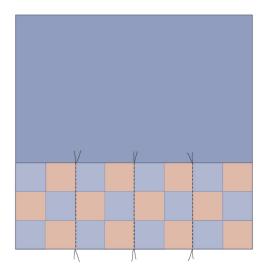


- 8. Cut a bias strip 2 1/4"-wide. Press in half with wrong sides together. From the lining side, pin to the open edges on each side of the carrier matching raw edges and turning in one end and overlapping the edges.
- 9. Stitch to the open edges of the carrier. Wrap the bias strip around the seam to the right side of the wine carreir, pin and topstitch in place.

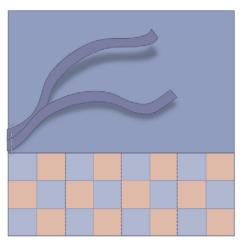


PLACE MAT/SILVERWARE HOLDER

- 1. Cut two 19" squares for each mat from coordinating fabrics.
- 2. Prepare and create fabric for the front silverware pocket in the same manner as the casserole cover (see Step 5). Each mat will need a 19" x 7" piece. Cut the piece from the patchwork section.
- 3. Cut a lining from muslin or a contrasting fabric the same size as the pocket section. With right sides together, match one 19" edge and stitch using a 1/4" seam allowance. Turn to the right side, matching the wrong sides and press.
- 4. Place the lining side of the pieced section to the right side of one of the 19" square pieces. Make silverware sections by dividing the pocket part into four to five sections. Stitch-in-the-ditch with a straight stitch or a feather stitch.



Construct the ties in the same manner as for the casserole dish (see Step 14)
and place two 12" pieces just above the top of the pocket on the left side
matching the raw edges. Pin in place.



6. Place the other 19"square on top with right sides together. Stitch all around sides leaving a 4" opening along one edge for turning. Turn, press well and topstitch close to the edge.

You're now ready for the food!