



PLAYFUL PINWHEEL PLACEMATS

By Colleen Tauke | Finished Size: 12-1/2" x 18-1/2"

Materials:

Yardage is calculated for a set of 4 placemats

1/8 yd of three colors for pinwheels
 1/3 yd of pinwheel background
 1-1/2 yd of focus fabric which includes binding
 7/8 yd backing fabric
 Quarter inch seam marker
 Fabric marking pen/pencil
 Square acrylic ruler - 4-1/2" x 4-1/2" or larger
 Basting spray or safety pins
 Batting

Cutting:

The cutting instructions are for **one** placemat.
 WOF = width of fabric

Cut (2) 3" sq. of three pinwheel colors
 (6) 3" sq. pinwheel background
 (1) 12-1/2" x 14-1/2" rectangle from focus fabric
 (2) 2-1/4" by WOF from focus fabric for binding

Construction:

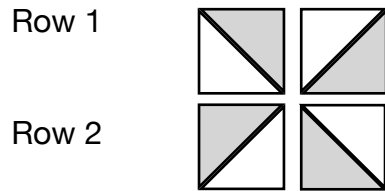
1/4" seams are used for construction - **Note** the trim in step 2.

1. On the back side of each of the 6 pinwheel background squares, use a quarter inch seam marker to mark diagonal stitching lines across each block. See diagram below.

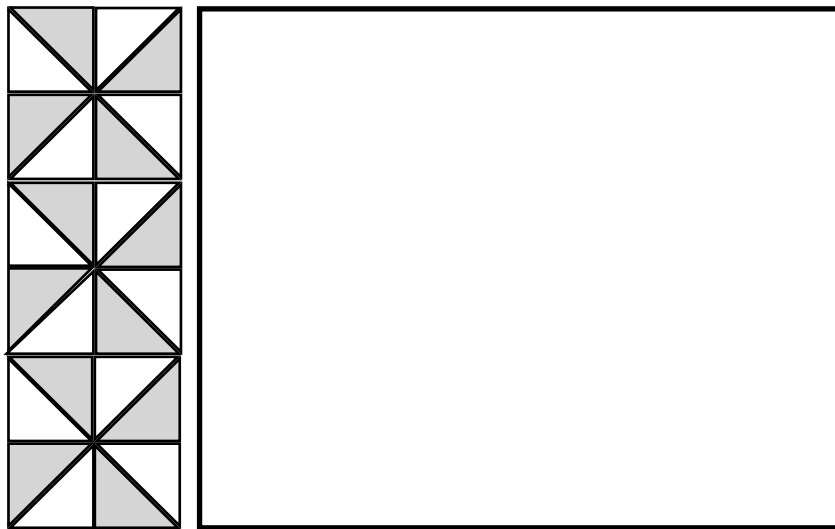


2. Pair each background square with a pinwheel square. Stitch on marked lines and cut apart as shown by the red line above. Press seam toward the pinwheel color. **Trim** each triangle square to 2-1/2" x 2-1/2". This process yields 2 triangle squares from each pairing. When complete, you will have 3 sets of 4 matching triangle squares.

3. Arrange the matching triangle squares into a pinwheel - noting the color placement



4. Join triangle squares in Row 1 with a seam - press seam allowance to the right.
5. Join triangle squares in Row 2 with a seam - press seam allowance to the left
6. Join Row 1 and Row 2 to create a pinwheel block
7. Repeat this process to create three pinwheel blocks. Next, seam the three blocks into a column as seen below.
8. Place the pinwheel column along the short side of the focus fabric and stitch with a 1/4" seam. Press seam toward the focus fabric.



9. Layer placemat top, batting and backing - quilt as desired. Add binding to finish the outer edge.

My Notes

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