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#1074 Quilted Maple Leaf

Coasters, Pillow, or Mini Quilt

Finished Size: Three options: 5" , 12", and 15"

Seam Allowance: 1/4" (5mm) included

Materials

Fabric: non-stretch fabric, such as woven cotton "Quilting Cotton", linen, canvas, or flannel. Use solid color fabric or fabric with a small non-directional design.

Colors: Recolor as desired.

- Deep Red
- Red
- Orange
- Yellow
- Brown for stem
- Background - Often a pale color or a very dark color. Creating contrast is key.
- Backing - Use a color above or pick another fabric.
- Binding - Use a color above or pick another fabric.



Quilt Batting: Low loft (thin) batting. Suggestion: 100% cotton, or high temp polyester.

Tools

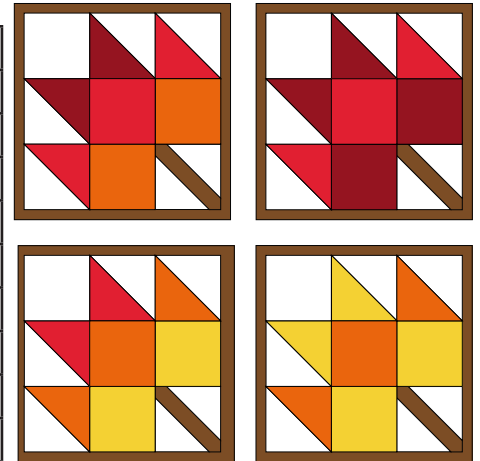
- Rotary Cutter, Scissors, or a Cutting Machine, like a Cricut
- For Cricut Maker
 - Rotary Blade
 - Fabric Mat
- For Cutting Machines with a Fine Point Blade
 - Standard or Light Grip Mat
 - Freezer Paper for Bonding

Typical Sewing Materials (pins, scissors, matching thread, iron, etc)

Cut Chart - For Scissor or Ruler Cutting

5" block - Four Small Leaves

	Squares	Triangles	Triangles
Size	2 3/16"	2.5" Half Square	2.25" Half Square
Background	4	16	8
Deep Red	2	4	
Red	2	6	
Orange	4	4	
Yellow	4	2	
Brown	Four Stems cut from squares see pattern		
Backing	Four- 7x7"		
Batting	Four - 7x7"		
Binding	2.25" wide - About 100"		



12" Block - One Large Leaf

	Squares	Triangles	Triangles
	4.5"	4 7/8" Half Square	4 3/16" Half Square
Background	1	4	2
Deep Red		2	
Red	1	2	
Orange	2		
Brown	Stem cut from squares see pattern		
Backing	14" square		
Batting	14" square		
Binding	2.25" wide - About 55" - Choose Binding or Pillow Back		
Pillow Back	Two pieces 9.5 x 12.5" - Choose Binding or Pillow Back		

15" Block One Large Leaf

	Squares	Triangles	Triangles
	4.5"	4 7/8" Half Square	4 3/16" Half Square
Background	1	4	2
Deep Red		2	
Red	1	2	
Orange	2		
Brown	Stem cut from squares see pattern		
Backing	14" square		
Batting	14" square		
Sashing	Cut Two - 2" x 13" Cut Two- 2" x 16"		
Binding	2.25" wide - About 55" - Choose Binding or Pillow Back		
Pillow Back	Two pieces 9.5 x 12.5" - Choose Binding or Pillow Back		

Cricut Design Space Instructions

1. Download zip file
2. Un-zip
3. Open Cricut Design Space
4. New Project
5. Upload your selected project into design space
6. Add to Canvas
7. Follow directions on the SVG about checking the size and ungrouping.
8. Re-color pieces as desired.
9. Make-It
10. Check placement of pieces on the mats and adjust if needed.
 - Pieces can be moved anywhere on the mat or from one mat to another.
 - Cricut Explore: Move pieces so there is a bit of space between them.
11. Press Continue
12. Select Base Material
 - Cricut Explore Choose Felt, Craft Bonded
 - Cricut Maker: Choose Calico
13. Prepare mats for each fabric
 - Fabric Prep: Iron all fabric so that it is smooth and crisp
 - Cricut Explore users: Apply Freezer Paper to your fabric.
 - The 15" Pillow & Mini Quilt have some pieces that will only fit on a 12x24 mat. If you don't have one, follow the hand cutting chart on the previous page.
14. Check placement of materials and adjust if needed
15. Cut Materials
16. Design Space may change the mat order. Please check which mat is next, or select the mat you want to cut.
17. Unload and change mats as needed.

Assembly

1. Once your pieces are all cut, lay them out in the correct order. Rearranging the colors as desired.
 - *Speedy Ninja Tip: A fleece blanket or flannel swaddle make great impromptu design boards. Just wrap fabric it around a piece of cardboard or hang it on the wall.*



2. First assemble triangles: Pin or clip triangle pairs together. Then sew and press fabric to the dark side. Then place the now squares back into the design layout.
3. Pin together adjacent squares.
4. Sew those pairs together, and put back in order in your design.
5. Then pair up the previously sewn sets and sew them together.
6. Continue this pairing and sewing process until all rows are complete
7. Press the seams on each row before attaching the rows to each other.
8. Sew each row to the one next to it, and complete the block, then press.



9. For 15" Block, add sashing pieces. One each to the top and bottom. Then trim flush and add one each to the right and left sides.
10. Layer with back and batting. (Both backing and batting are cut larger than the block to leave room for shrinkage while quilting.)
11. Do some quilting (hand or machine) to hold the layers together or just decorate your leaf with free motion quilting
12. Square up block, trimming off excess backing and batting. (Approximately 5.5", 12.5", or 15.5")

Optional Pillow Back (12" and 15" Only)

Prepare the Envelope Flaps

1. On each pillow back piece, double fold one long edge.
 - Fold about 1/2" over press, and then fold the same amount again.
2. Sew along each fold (about 1/4" from the edge) to hold them in place.



Layer It Up

1. Place the quilt block right-side up.
2. Align one pillow back piece right-sides together to one edge of the quilt block.
 - It will not completely cover the quilt block.
 - The finished folded edge will be in the middle of the block not along the edge.
 - The pieces may be too tall, if you had to cut down your block. Don't cut them yet, just let them hang off one side
3. Align the other pillow back piece to the opposite side of the quilt block. This overlap creates the envelope back.
 - The finished folded edge will be in the middle of the block not along the edge.
 - The piece may be too tall, if you had to cut down your block. Don't cut it yet, just let it hang off one side
4. Pin or clip the pillow back to the quilt block around the edges
 - Now you can cut off any extra pillow back length to get it out of the way.
5. Sew around the entire edge of the square 1/4" from the edge of the quilt block.
 - This is going to be pretty thick, go slow.
 - You can use a slightly wider seam allowance if it helps you sew straight.
6. Clip the corners to reduce bulk
 - Cut across each corner within the seam allowance.
 - This will make it easier to turn it right-side out in the next step.
7. Turn right-side out through the pillow back
 - Take your time. If needed, clip more of the corner bulk.
 - Poke or pull out your corners as much as desired. A chopstick can help with this.
8. Stick a pillow inside and try it out
 - Don't have a pillow form? Fold up a lap blanket, they fit pretty well.
9. Post a picture of your pillow and show off to your friends, and me.



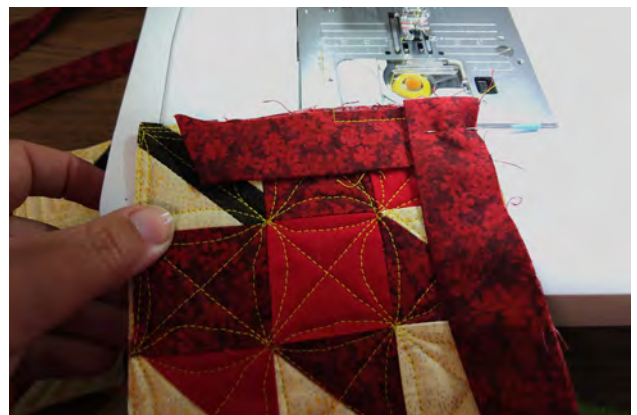
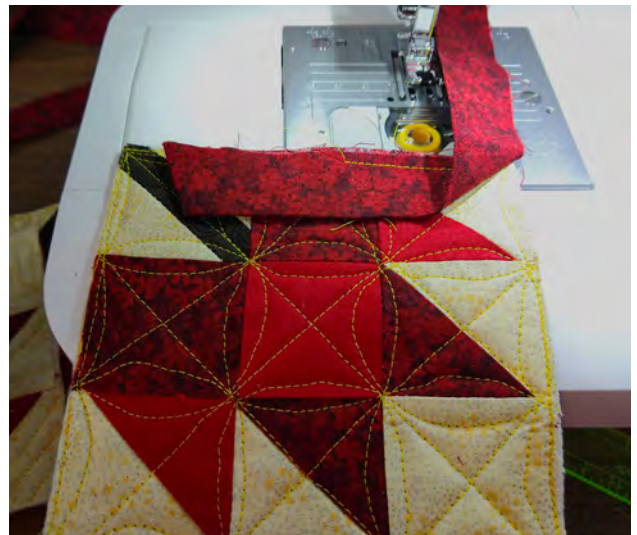
Sew On Binding - Skip if you made a pillow

Prepare the Binding

1. Assemble binding pieces into one long strip
 - Place diagonal edges right-sides together creating a square corner.
 - Sew with 1/4" seam allowance
 - Repeat with all pieces creating a continuous piece of binding.
 - Press
2. Fold in binding in half (hot dog style) and press

Attach the Binding

- My preferred beginner binding method: Use any method that you like.
1. Fold over and press the starting diagonal end of the binding to the wrong side.
 - This creates a finished end.
 2. Place binding on the front of your project starting in the middle of one side.
 3. Pin or clip binding from starting place to the next corner, no farther.
 4. Start sewing several inches (3ish) from the end of the binding.
 5. Sew to the corner, stopping 1/4" from the edge, back stitch, and cut thread.
 6. Turning the Corner: With the sewn edge across the top and the next side to the right, fold the binding upward away from you, pin at the edge.
 7. Then fold the binding back downward along the next edge while maintaining the mitered fold.
 8. Sew along the next edge to the next corner, again stopping 1/4" from the edge.
 9. Then repeat steps 5-7 again on each corner.
 10. When you are getting close to where you started, back-stitch and cut your thread.
 11. Trim the long tail of the binding to length and tuck into the finished (folded over) end.
 12. Sew the last few inches to finish.



13. Fold binding to the back side of the project and clip or pin into place

14. Machine or hand sew binding to finish.

- Ninja Tip: I change my thread colors for this step. Top thread: background color (white) Bobbin thread: binding color (green).
- Sew from the top near the folded edge of the binding. When done, the stitches will hide in that “ditch”.

15. Give it a final press

16. Post a picture of your mini-quilt and show off to your friends, and me.

17. To hang it up, pull/sew a piece of string though the top binding fold, or make a proper hanging sleeve.



Ta Da! Look what you made! Show it off you all your friends.

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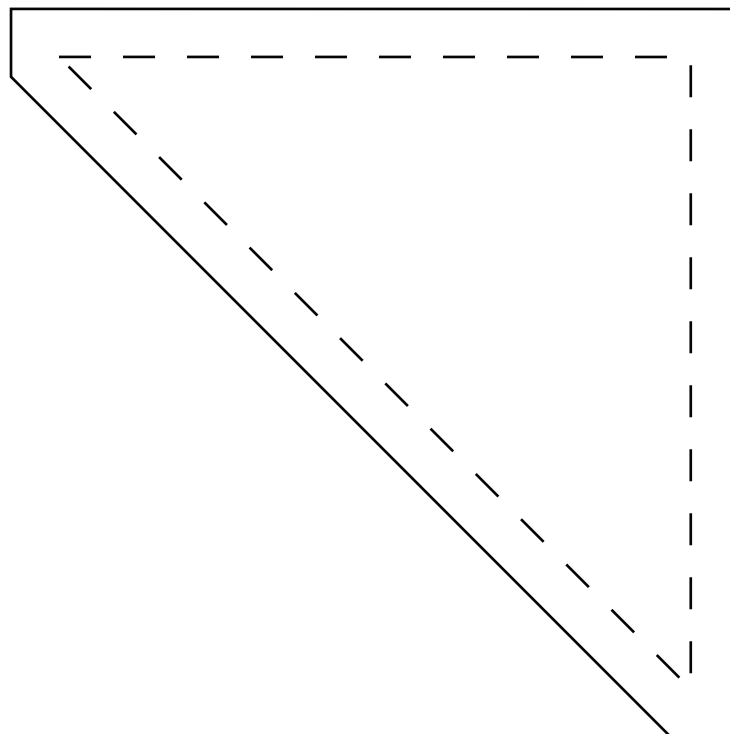
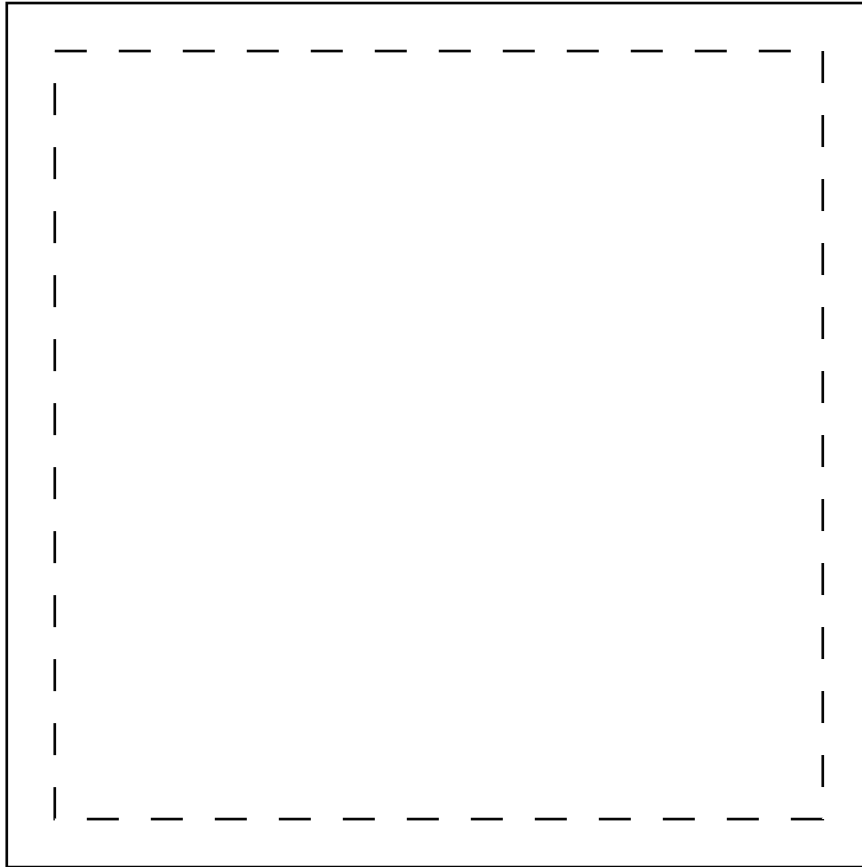
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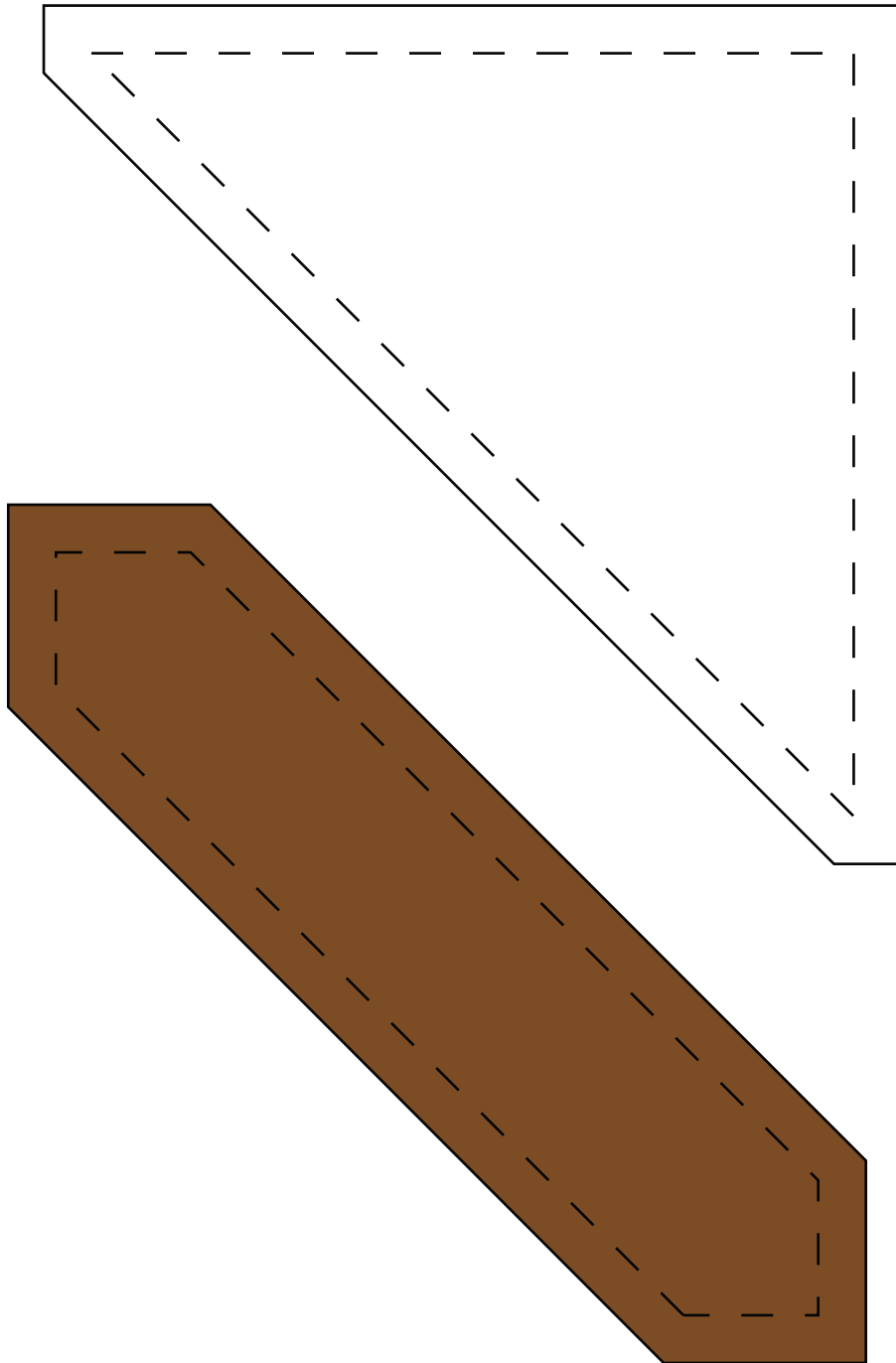
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