

# Logan's Patchwork Fabrics

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## BASIC PLACEMAT INSTRUCTIONS

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Instructions are for ONE placemat – finished size 12½" x 17½"

There may be slight variations to this square which can be adjusted later, for the Christmas placemats the ideal cut was 10¼" x 10¼" cut 1

From the second feature fabric cut a rectangle 4½" x 10¼"

From the border and backing fabric cut (35cm will do one place mat or 1.2 will do 4)

15" x 13½", 4½" x 13½" set aside for backing.

2 strips, 16" x 2"

2 strips, 13½" x 2"

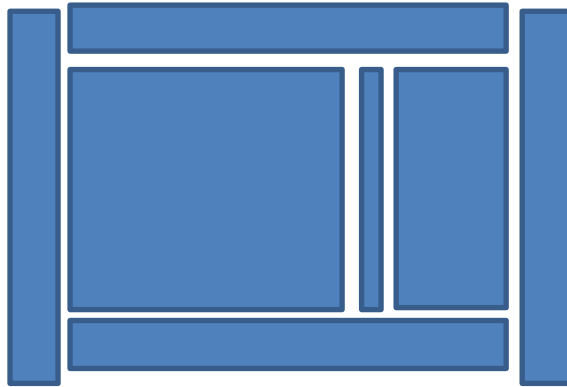
1 strip, 10¼" 1½"

Join the square and the feature

rectangle, with the 1½" strip.

Sew 16" x 2" strip to top and bottom

Edges. Trimming the length to fit.



Sew end borders –adjust the length. Press all seam allowances towards the borders.

Sew the two backing pieces together using a ½" seam as follows, 2" 2.5 stitch length, lock off by stitching 3 to 4 stitches on 0, extend stitch length to maximum say 5, stitch to within 2" of edge, lock off, complete seam at 2.5 stitch length. Press seam allowance open.

Trim wadding to the same size as the place mat top. Note the backing is larger than the top and wadding.

Place backing on a flat surface, right side up, cover with placemat top, right side down, cover with wadding, taking care to line the edges up exactly with the top. Baste the three layers together

Using your walking foot stitch at a ¼", stitch length approx. 3 around all four sides, pivot at each corner with needle down. Remove basting.

Trim excess fabric and wadding from the corners and cut the backing back level with the top.

UNPICK the long stitches in the back join, to create an opening. Carefully turn the placemat through this opening.

Press lightly, slip stitch the opening closed re-baste and quilt, Start by ditch stitching between all the borders and add any further quilting as per your imagination.

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