

Table Runner Tutorial

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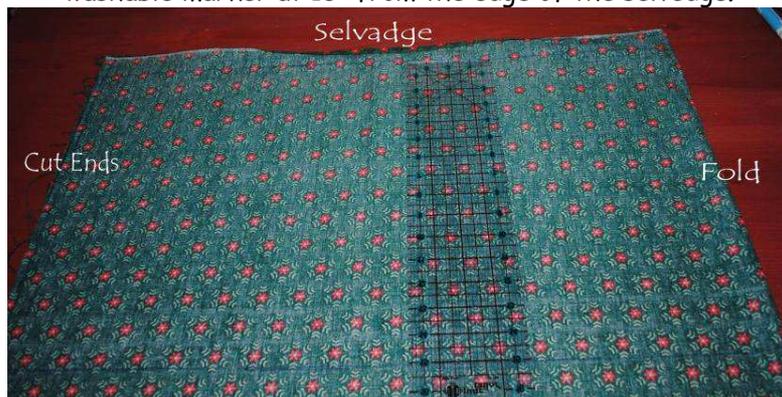
Finished Dimensions: 14" wide X 52 ½" long

Fabric Yardage: 1 ½ yards of cotton quilting fabric (44-45" wide), 1 yard of cotton twill (58-59" wide)
(an additional 1 ½ yards of cotton quilting fabric is needed to make it reversible)

Prepare: Prewash your fabrics so that your table runner won't shrink when you wash it later.



Begin by folding your quilting fabric in half matching up the cut ends, as shown. Measure and draw a line with washable marker at 15" from the edge of the selvage.



Trim off the selvage edge and cut along line drawn. Even up original cut ends.



Now fold your fabric in half again then long way.



Using your ruler, measure an angle from the inside corner to the point on the raw edge that measures 9". Draw a line here.



Cut along line.



Unfold the last fold.



Use this piece as a pattern to cut your twill. (Because your twill measures 59" wide, you'll be able to fold it selvedge to selvedge.)



Now unfold both pieces completely and pin with right sides facing. (I'm only showing one end here.) (See page 5 for additional directions on this step, if you're making your runner reversible.)



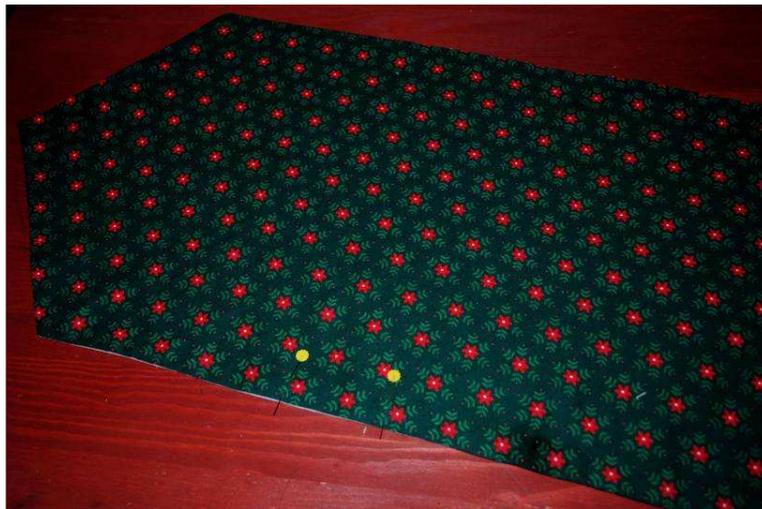
Sew all the way around at $\frac{1}{2}$ ", leaving a 3" opening in one long side for turning.



Trim off corners so that you'll have nice, sharp points when you turn.



Turn right side out and press well. I like to use a little spray starch and pin the opening shut so that it stays nice and neat.



Topstitch all the way around at $\frac{1}{4}$ ".



Display it on your table!



Here's one that I made for a friend that's reversible. To do yours this way, just cut two print layers and hide the twill inside. (When you pin your pieces together, you'll layer the two prints right sides together, then place the twill on top. When you turn it right side out, the twill will be hidden inside.)

