



Instruction FABRIC WREATH





Materials from Gütermann

- Sew-all thread in matching colours
- Cotton fabric 145 cm wide, Collection PORTOFINO:
- 0.5 m summer flowers fabric in rose pink-multi-colour
- 0.5 m small stars fabric in rose pink-multi-colour
- 0.5 m striped fabric in rose pink-multi-colour
- Remnants lozenge-pattern fabric in light blue-white and beige-white
- Remnants polka dot fabric in deep pink-white

In addition

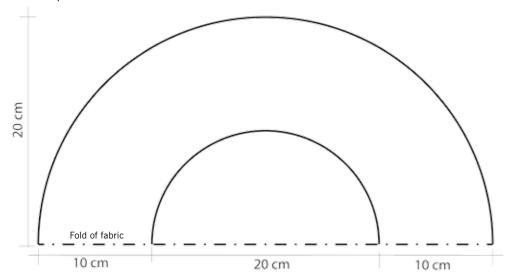
- 0.1 m H 630 volume fleece batting,
 90 cm wide
- 250 g wadding

Tools

- Sewing machine
- Iron
- Scissors
- Pair of compasses
- Ruler or hand gauge
- Measuring tape
- Tailor's chalk or fabric pencil
- Pins
- Hand-sewing needle
- Wooden spoon

Cutting

- Wreath: 1 piece each of summer flowers fabric and small stars fabric
- Bow: 2 pieces striped fabric lengthwise, 45 x 14 cm (take care to cut out in accordance with the fabric pattern); volume fleece batting, 90 x 14 cm
- Blossoms: 1 piece each of striped, polka dot and lozenge-pattern fabrics in various sizes Cut all pieces with a 1 cm seam allowance!







2. To make a flower on each strip fold corner a on b, corner c1 on d1, c2 on d2, c3 on d3 and c4 on d4, taking care always to fold wrong side to wrong side. Because of the bias the fabric will pucker, but this is what is required. Using the largest possible stitch setting, stitch a basting seam 1 cm from the raw edges and leave the sewing threads hanging loose. At one end knot the needle and bobbin thread together. At the other end pull the bobbin thread until the fabric strip is gathered to about half its length.

1. Pin the cut-out piece for the bow right sides together along the narrow side and stitch the seam. Iron open the seam allowances. Iron the volume fleece batting on to the reverse side of the cut-out piece. Fold the cut-out piece lengthwise right sides together and pin the edges. Mark the ends of the tape on the bias. Stitch the seam from the centre of the long side towards the ends marked on the bias, leaving a turning slit, about 8 cm long, in the centre. Clip back the seam allowances, clipping them on the bias at the corners. Iron along the seam line and turn the bow to the right side. Now ease the ends of the bow carefully into shape and iron the edges, folding the open seam allowances at the slit towards the inside. Close the slit with hand sewing.



3. Now coil the strip, until a flower is formed. Sew the lower edge of the flower together by hand. Secure the thread at the end, but leave it hanging down. Prepare four flowers in different fabric patterns in various sizes.



4. On both pattern pieces for the wreath cut vertical notches about 0.7 cm deep on the seam allowances on the inner ring. Iron the seam allowance on the inner circles to the wrong side. Place the two rings right side to right side on top of each other and pin on the outer circle. Stitch the outer ring seam with a stitch length of 1.5 mm. Clip back the seam allowances; also cut vertical notches almost up to the seam line. Iron along the seam line and turn the ring out, so that the fabric layers lay wrong sides together. Ease the outer ring seam carefully into shape and iron.



5. There are two possibilities for the inner ring: either iron the seam allowances towards the inside and sew the two parts together by hand along the folded seam allowances or iron the seam allowances towards the inside and machine-stitch the folded edges all around close to the edge. In either method be sure to leave a slit open for stuffing the wreath.



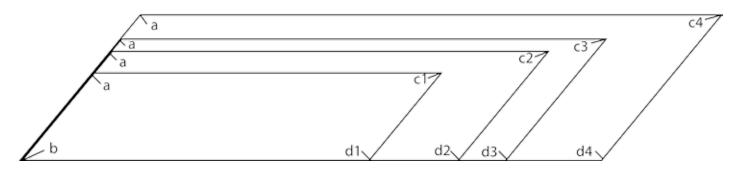
6. Stuff the ring equally but not too tightly with the wadding. (The more wadding used, the more the ring curves and bulges and thus looks narrower.) Finally sew the slit closed by hand.



7. Fold about 5 cm of the bow near the centre, cross-wise over itself. Hand sew the fold line in the required position on the wreath, folding about 2 cm of the long edge of the bow towards the inside as you sew it on. Tie a bow without a knot (a knot would make the bow too thick).



8. Arrange 4 flowers near the bow and secure with pins. Sew each flower securely to the wreath by hand using the thread hanging from each flower Arrange 4 flowers near the bow and secure with pins. Sew each flower securely to the wreath by hand using the thread hanging from each flower.



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