

Mini Design Wall

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Materials

12½" x 12½" square or pieced quilt block for outside cover

⅜ yard coordinating fabric

¾ yard length of ¾"-wide ribbon or twill

1⅞ yard fusible fleece

1½" piece of iron-on hook and loop tape

(2) 12" x 12" squares of cardboard

Liquid fray preventative

Permanent fabric adhesive

Cutting

From the coordinating fabric, cut (1) 12½" x 13½" rectangle of fabric (for outside cover) and (1) 12½" x 25½" rectangle of fabric (for inside cover)

From fusible fleece, cut (2) 15" squares and (1) 13½" x 27" rectangle.

Trim the hook and loop tape to match the width of the ribbon and round the corners with scissors.

Assembly

Note: *all seams are stitched using a ¼" seam allowance unless otherwise indicated.*

1. Lay the 12½" x 12½" square/quilt block right sides together on the 12½" x 13½" rectangle. Stitch together. Press seams toward rectangle to make outside cover.
2. Fuse 13½" x 27" piece of fusible to wrong side of outside cover. Quilt as desired. Trim away excess fleece. Depending on your quilting, your project may have shrunk slightly. Measure your outside cover and trim the inside cover to match measurements.
3. With right sides together, layer outer cover onto inside cover, stitch around the cover, leaving a 6" opening for turning on the short edge opposite to the square/quilt block.
4. Grade seam allowances at corners, then turn right side out through opening. Press flat.
5. Fold ribbon off-center so approximately 12" is folded; test fit into cover by pinning into the open seam. Fold the cover in half and wrap the ribbon loosely around the cover; the ribbon should overlap approximately 4" from the fold.
6. Topstitch around the entire cover near the edge, reinforcing the ribbon as you stitch the opening closed.
7. Test-fit the 12" x 12" square of cardboard in the cover; trim the square so it matches the height of the cover dimension.

8. Center the 15" x 15" square of fusible fleece on top of the cardboard with the fusible side down; fuse the fleece to the cardboard.
9. Trim out the corners of fleece, wrapping the fleece to the opposite side of the cardboard and fuse.
10. Using fabric adhesive, apply glue to the outside edge of the wrong side of the wrapped cardboard; carefully align the glued cardboard and press into place on the right inside cover. Repeat for the left inside cover. Use clips or heavy books to keep glued surfaces touching. Allow to cure for 24 hours before continuing to the next step.
11. Close the cover; wrap the ribbon around the cover and apply the loop tape to the top side of the left-hand ribbon. Check the overlap and trim the right-hand ribbon so it just covers the loop tape. Apply the hook tape to the underside of the right hand ribbon. Follow manufacturer's direction to permanently fuse hook and loop tape to ribbon.
12. Apply the liquid fray preventative to cut ends of ribbon.

Note: *When using the design wall in its standing position, use the hook-end of the ribbon to catch the fleece on the opposite board to prevent the design wall from collapsing. You can adjust the standing angle by moving the hook further up the board.*