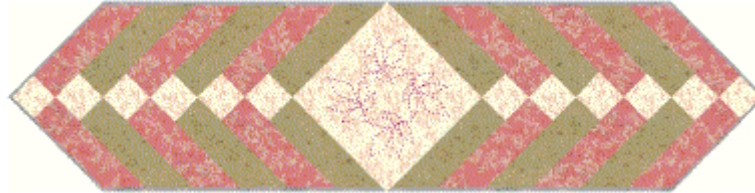


French Braid Table Runner

Finished size – 13" X 40"



Materials Needed –

3 Fat Quarters of different colors. (2 will be for the braids, the other will be the center square & the point squares)

½ yard for backing & binding.

Batting – 14" X 42" piece

Cutting –

Take 2 fat quarters (the two you have chosen for the braids) and cut 2 pieces measuring 9 ½ X 21" from each. Sub cut these into 2 pieces that measures 9 ½ X 12". You'll have one of each. Take one of these and sub cut into 6 – 2" strips.

Cut the remaining fat quarter (the one for center square & points) into: one (1) 9 ½ X 9 ½ square and two (2) 2" X 21" strips. Sub cut the 2 2" X 21" strips into 2 strips 2" X 12".

Sewing –

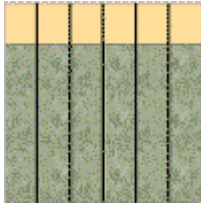
Take the 2 border 9 ½ X 21" pieces and sew the 2" X 12" piece of point fabric to the 9 ½" side. It will look like this:



You will have one each for your braids. This piece will measure 11" X 12".

Take this piece and iron the seam towards the the braid portion.

Now we're going to sub cut this strip into 6 – 2" strips, as thus:



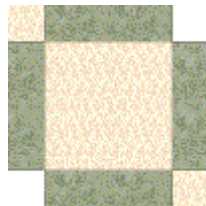
You will now have: 12 strips of each braid, 6 with the square point & 6 without.

Now the fun begins! Sewing it all together!

We'll take the 9 ½" X 9 ½" square and sew 9 ½" strips to 2 opposite sides.



Next, we will add the two part strip to the other 2 sides. We will lock in the seam on this strip to the seam created in the last step. Don't worry that this strip does not go all the way to the end of the block, you're doing it right!



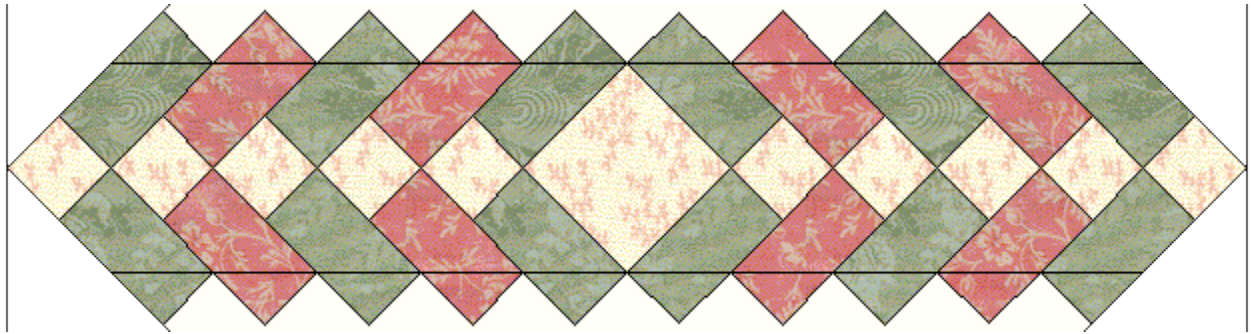
Continue adding the strip sets in the same manner until all your strips are sewn on.



After you have sewn all of your strips on, press carefully. Press so that all of your seams are going in the same direction so that your top will lay flat.

Trimming –

Place your ruler along one side of your top and line up on the points where the 2 braid sections intersect according to the diagram and trim off the points.



Finishing –

Lay out your backing, batting and top. Pin or spray baste the three layers together and quilt as desired. Trim to the top dimensions.

To bind, you can use the leftover backing fabric and cut 3 – 2 ½” strips, sew these together, fold, crease, and sew these to your quilt or you can use pre commercially prepared bias binding. Whichever you choose.

You're Done! Enjoy your Table Runner!

