

Christmas Mantle Cover

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*Mantle sample is 64" long, with eight 8"x10" panels.
If yours is longer, keep in mind that you may need more fabric.*

Working Sewing machine, needles, thread

Scissors for cutting applique pieces

Pencil for drawing applique pieces

1 3/4 yard background fabric
(optional 1/2 yard for reversible side)

Scraps of fabrics for your applique pieces or look through fat quarters in the store

1/2 yard Timtex (enough for six - eight 8"x10" panels)

1/2 yard Stitch and Tear for applique

1/2 yard or scraps of Heat and Bond for applique

1 package gold or black fusible bias tape

Prior to class:

Measure your the length and depth of your mantle. Give some thought to what theme you want to incorporate onto the cover – ie: snowmen, candles, stockings, etc. I will have templates that you can use to spell a theme word (JOY, PEACE, SNOW, etc) and possible ideas for the applique designs. When choosing your background fabric, keep in mind the theme of your mantle cover (you will not want a white background if you are going to applique snowmen!) You may want to create another theme for the reverse side (winter, valentine's, birthday)

Searching the Internet for children's coloring pages will give you some more ideas of possible designs. Choose pictures that are simple and have easy shapes to cut out.

Bring along a bag of scraps from your stash for your appliques or you can look through our fat quarters too. You can also use some beads or ribbon or buttons – be creative!

If you have any questions, leave me a message at *Seams Like Home* (677-8790) and I will call you as soon as possible. Feel free to stop by when I am working if you want some suggestions. I look forward to sewing with you!

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