



# ACORN COMPASS

CHARM PACK PROJECT  
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## SUPPLIES

- (1) KTQ Autumn Journey charm pack
- (1) tan tone-on-tone fat qtr.
- ¼ yd. dark brown binding
- ¾ yd. backing and batting
- 9" x 9" sq. green woven plaid
- 5" x 10" pumpkin or red woven plaid
- 4" sq. each of dark and medium brown woven plaid
- cotton thread - dark green
- pearl cotton - dark brown
- #22 crewel needle
- freezer paper
- fusible web



SPLIT LEAF  
CUT 4



ACORN CAP  
CUT 4



ACORN NUT  
CUT 4



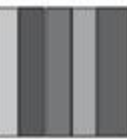
## ASSEMBLY

*Instructions given are to piece the quilt top, then raw-edge applique the leaves and acorns as you quilt. Another option is to raw-edge applique the leaves and acorns onto the tan background by machine or by hand, add the pieced borders and quilt.*

**CENTER** - Cut a 16 1/2" sq. from the tan tone-on-tone fat qtr. for the center background.

**BORDERS** - Cut (35-40) 5" charm squares into (3) 1 1/2" x 5" strips each (you will need a total of 104 strips). Sew (4) sections of (16) strips each for the sides of the quilt. Press all seams in one direction. Sew (2) sections to opposite sides of center background square; press toward center. Set aside remaining (2) sections.

**BORDER CORNERS** - Piece (8) sets of (5) 1 1/2" x 5" strips each for the mitered corners; press. Trim the pieced strips to 5" square, cutting from just one side as shown. Layer (2) sets of strips right sides together with seams opposing and the trimmed narrow strips opposite each other (these will be the tiny bias strips in the corners). Sew diagonally corner to corner as shown. Trim seam allowance to 1/4". Open mitered corner square and press seams open. Stitch corners to each end of remaining strip border sections using color picture as a guide; press toward corner. Add to opposite sides of quilt top; press. Quilt top measures 25 1/2" square.



trim to 5" sq.



layer



stitch & trim



press

**SANDWICH** quilt top, batting and backing with spray baste or use the method of your choice. **QUILT-in-the-ditch** around center background square, corners and every other border strip with dark cotton thread.

**RAW EDGE APPLIQUE** - Cut (2) 1/2" bias strips and (2) 3/8" bias strips diagonally across center of green plaid square. Mark an "X" from corner to corner and thru center of tan background with chalk marker. Position doubled green bias strips on "X" with 3/8" strips centered on 1/2" strips; pin in place. Stitch thru center of doubled strips with green cotton thread.

Trace template for split leaf onto freezer paper; fuse to selected plaids. Cut on drawn lines; peel paper from back of applique. (Fuse freezer paper to plaid and peel off a couple times before cutting for easier release and less distortion of applique design.)

- (2) green plaid split leaves
- (2) pumpkin or red plaid split leaves

Trace template for acorn nut and cap onto fusible web; fuse to selected plaids. Cut on drawn lines; peel paper from back of applique.

- (4) dark brown plaid acorn nuts
- (4) medium brown plaid acorn caps

Slightly overlap green and pumpkin split leaf halves over end of green vines, leaving about 2" between leaf and corner of tan background square. Stitch about 1/8" from raw edge of leaves with dark green cotton thread.

Position acorn nuts and caps about 2" from center intersection between leaves (see color picture). Fuse in place overlapping cap over nut about 1/8". Blanketstitch around acorn nut by hand with dark brown #8 pearl cotton. Stitch diagonally across acorn cap in a 1/2" grid, tacking at crossed threads. Stitch from acorn cap to vine intersection with a stem stitch. Stitch N, S, E, W for compass with dark brown pearl cotton and a stem stitch.

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