

## Poinsettia Table Topper

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### Supplies and Pre-Class Instructions:

- Sewing machine with  $\frac{1}{4}$ " foot and other accessories (cord, foot pedal, extension table, and knee lift)
- Size 70/10 Microtex Sharp sewing needles
- Poinsettia Table Topper Pattern including the instructions and foundation papers
- Fabric yardage is noted on the pattern or from Quiltster.
- Thread to blend with your fabric
- Iron and pressing mat (a small size is helpful for use by your sewing machine)
- Rotary cutters with new blades (it is helpful to have 3 sizes available)
  - 60 mm for cutting fabric
  - 45 mm for cutting templates
  - 28 mm for trimming
- Medium sized cutting mat (12"x18" is a good size for use by your sewing machine)
- A piece of template plastic (3"x12" works well though having a longer piece is sometimes needed)
- Ruler for cutting fabric and templates (24"x6" or 6 1/2" works well)
- 12" Add-A-Quarter ruler
- Washout fabric glue stick (SewLine is a good one to use)
- Craft glue stick (UHU is a good brand but others work will too)
- .55mm Flower Head or .5mm 1 7/8" Glass head pins (long shanks)
- Purple Thang
- Thread scissors
- Black Sharpie
- Seam ripper
- Gallon size zip lock type bags
- Jumbo paper clips



**Cancellation Policy:** We must commit to our teachers and to other students one week before the class begins so we can't give refunds or transfers after that time (unless we can fill your spot from the waiting list). You are welcome to send someone in your place if you are unable to come. If enrollment has not met the minimum required for the class, we will cancel it one week before the first session.

**Date:** November 14, 2020

### Pre-Class Instructions:

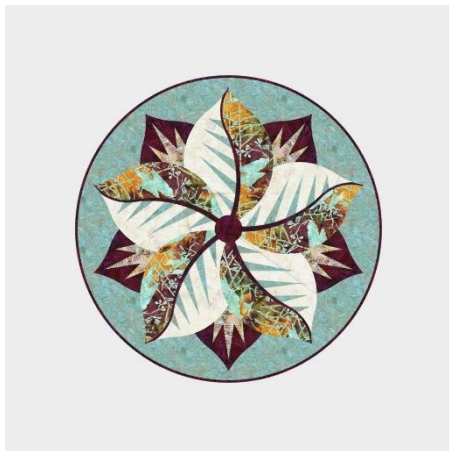
Please read the instructions completely through at least one time before class. This will help to ensure you understand the cutting information noted below. It is strongly encouraged that you have the papers, templates, and fabrics for the entire project cut out, placed in bags, and ready to use in class.

Check the Quiltworx website for pattern corrections before you begin the project. Corrections can be found at this link: <http://www.quiltworx.com/corrections/>

**Quiltworx YouTube Videos:** Judy Niemeyer has many videos on YouTube that cover a variety of topics. These can be a valuable resource to give you some additional background or refresh your memory after class on a topic. If you are new to Quiltworx patterns, a few videos you may find useful include:

- The Basics of Foundation Papers
- Tools for Paper Pieced Quilting with Judy Niemeyer
- Paperwork First: Prepare for Cutting a Quiltworx Project

**Fabric Selection:** This project can be done with a variety of colorways and you need to decide if you want to make a round project or square it up (which a bit more of your border fabric). *Page 16* of the pattern identifies the yardage required if you use the same number of fabrics noted on the cover sheets. This project also works well with a focus fabric as one half of the leaf. There will be less paper piecing and it allows you to showcase a favorite fabric. An example is shown below:



The yardage for this project is shown in the following link. This is the file from Quiltster for this design.

[https://48e2f6f2-21bb-446b-ac23-a5eb7064fb44.filesusr.com/ugd/03a3c5\\_aa936cc4a1f8410aaf19d6172f46eb8f.pdf](https://48e2f6f2-21bb-446b-ac23-a5eb7064fb44.filesusr.com/ugd/03a3c5_aa936cc4a1f8410aaf19d6172f46eb8f.pdf)

It is helpful to fill out the swatch table on *page 5* of your pattern to help keep you organized.

Check out Pinterest or [www.quiltworx.com](http://www.quiltworx.com) for photos of finished projects.

**Ziploc Storage Bags (1 gallon size):** This project requires 4 bags with the following labels: #A1, #A2, #B1, and #B2. The following will go in each bag:

- Bag #A1 – A1 foundation papers (5 of these), cutting templates, and fabric strips
- Bag #A2 – A2 foundation papers (5 of these), cutting templates, and fabric strips
- Bag #B1 - B foundation papers (5 of these), cutting templates, and fabric strips
- Bag #B2 – T-Templates for either the circle or square layout and fabric strips

**Foundation Papers:** Follow the cutting instructions on *page 4* of your pattern to cut the Foundation Papers and Template Layout Sheets for Group A. Follow the cutting instructions on *page 9* to cut the Foundation Papers and Template Layout Sheets for Group B. You will cut the pieces about an 1/8" around the perimeter of each piece. Don't cut apart the pieces any further unless you are familiar

with Quiltworx patterns. Using your rotary cutter helps the process go more quickly. As you cut the papers place them into the appropriate bag.

**Fabric Cutting Instructions:** Follow the cutting instructions for Group A on *pages 5 and 6*. Note that 2 options are provided. Option 1 is for a design where each leaf uses the same colors. Option 2 is for a design using multiple colored leaves for Unit A1 and Unit B. Cutting instructions for Group B are on *pages 10 and 11*. If you have used Quiltster to create your design then you will be able to cut the required number of strips for each fabric based on the yardage chart. Following is a summary of the cutting instructions for a simple design using the same fabrics for each leaf. Strips are cut width of fabric.

Fabric	Strips Required	Bag
Fabric A1 (center)	3 ¼" square	#A1
Fabric A2 (leaf right side background)	3 strips @ 6 ¾"	#A1
Fabric A3 (right leaf accent)	1 strip @ 7 ¼" (Option 1)	#A1
Fabric A4 (leaf left side background)	3 strips @ 6 ¾"	#A2
Fabric A5 (leaf left side accent)	1 strip @ 8 ¼"	#A2
Fabric A6 (veins)	1 strip @ 8 ½"	#A1
Fabric B1 (small leaf background)	1 strip @ 8 ½"	#B1
Fabric B2 (small leaf accent)	1 strip @ 7 ¼"	#B1
Fabric B3 (background)	2 strips @ 6" for a round Poinsettia 2 strips @ 8 ¾" for a square Poinsettia	#B2

If you are familiar with cutting out your template layout sheets then go ahead. Hold off on cutting the vein and background pieces so I can show you a few tips in class. If you are unclear at all about cutting out the template layout pieces, just cut the fabric strips and we can complete the cutting process in class.

If you have any questions regarding the class preparation, please contact me directly at: 208-5703290