

Maple Leaf Table Runner

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Get in the autumnal spirit by whipping up this Maple Leaf Table runner. Use for your Thanksgiving table, or leave it out all the time! The finished block is 12½", so you can easily adjust the size of the table runner to fit your table. You could also add borders to individual blocks to make a matching set of placemats...so many possibilities!

Sewing Supplies:

- PFAFF® sewing machine
- ¼" Quilting Foot for IDT™ system 820926096
- Main leaf color fabric (yardage depends on table runner size)
- Leaf background fabric (yardage depends on table runner size)
- Print fabric (yardage depends on table runner size)
- Sewing thread for piecing
- Basic sewing supplies

Cut:

From Main Leaf Color fabric:

2 squares, 3⁷/₈"x3⁷/₈"

4 squares, 3¹/₂"x3¹/₂"

From Leaf Background fabric:

2 squares, $3\frac{7}{8}$ "x $3\frac{7}{8}$ "

1 square, $3\frac{1}{2}$ "x $3\frac{1}{2}$ "

2 squares, 3"x3"

From Print fabric:

2 squares, $7\frac{1}{4}$ "x $7\frac{1}{4}$ ". Cut each square in half diagonally to yield 4 half square triangles.

Sew:

(Piecing instructions are per block)

1. Thread machine with piecing thread. Snap-on $\frac{1}{4}$ " **Quilting Foot** and engage the **IDT™ system**. Adjust stitch length to **2.0**.
2. Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the opposite corner on the wrong sides of each of the 3" background squares.
3. With right sides together, layer one of the marked 3" background squares with one of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " color squares. Sew **ON** the drawn line, then trim $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the sewn line. Press towards the corner. (see *diagram on Page 4*)
4. Repeat with the other 3 " background square in the opposite corner of the piece just made. This makes the stem section of the Maple Leaf block. (see *diagram on Page 4*)
5. Draw a diagonal line from one corner to the opposing corner on the wrong sides of the $3\frac{7}{8}$ " background squares.

6. With right sides together, layer a marked $3\frac{7}{8}$ " square with a color $3\frac{7}{8}$ " square. Stitch a line $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from the drawn line on both sides of the drawn line. Cut the piece on the drawn line to yield two half square triangle units. Press towards the color fabric. Repeat with remaining $3\frac{7}{8}$ " squares. (see *diagram on Page 4*)
7. Lay the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " background square, half square triangle units, color squares and stem square as shown in photo to right. Sew into rows, then sew rows together.
8. Sew a $7\frac{1}{4}$ " print half square triangle to opposite sides of the block just made. Press towards the print. (see *photo below*.)
9. Sew the remaining 2 triangles to the other two sides to complete block. (see *photo below*.)



Assembly:

Assemble as many blocks as needed for length of table runner desired. Join together in a row, then baste, quilt and bind as desired.

Now at least your table is ready for Thanksgiving...time to plan the menu!

