

Hearts and Flowers

A Valentine Quilt

8" x 10" Fused Art Quilt

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Materials and Tools

Background fabric: 8" x 10" of light green

Heart fabric: 7" x 7" of pink

Border Strip and Flower fabric: 7" x 7" of blue

Stems and Leaves fabric: 5" x 6" of green

Flower Center fabric: 2" x 3" of red

Felt: 2 pieces of 9" x 11" of medium blue

Fusible web: 1 yard

Decorative rotary cutter blades like: wave, scallop, or pinking

Pressing cloth to protect the felt when ironing

Machine quilting thread



Preparation

1. This art quilt measures about 8" x 10" upon completion, is constructed on felt rather than batting, and is machine quilted. Please note: acrylic felt will easily scorch when using a hot iron. Use a pressing cloth when ironing acrylic felt.
2. Assemble all the materials and tools listed.
3. Fuse all the fabrics except 1 of the medium blue felt rectangles. Follow the instructions that come with the fusible web. After the fabric cools remove the release paper.

Cutting Directions:

1. Trim 1/4" from each side of the light green background fabric with a decorative rotary cutter blade.
2. Fold the pink heart fabric in half (glue sides out) and cut out a large heart shape like you would with a piece of paper.
3. Trim 1/4" around the edge of the heart shape with a decorative blade.
4. Cut 4 strips measuring about 1/4" x 7" from the blue border strip fabric with a decorative blade.
5. Cut 3 circles from the blue flowers fabric. Cut one with a 3 1/2" diameter, one with a 2 1/2" diameter and one with a 2" diameter.
6. Trim 1/4" around the edge of the blue flower circles with a decorative blade.
7. Cut 3 stems measuring about 1/4" x 5" from the green stem fabric.
8. Cut 3 pointed oval leaf shapes measuring about 3" x 1 1/2" from the green leaf fabric
9. Cut 3 circles measuring about 1/2" in diameter from the red flower center fabric.

Construction Directions:

1. Center the fused side of the blue felt onto the non-fused piece of blue felt. Place the pressing cloth on top and fuse-tack into place for 5 - 7 seconds.

2. Center the light green background fabric onto the blue felt. Place the pressing cloth on top and fuse-tack into place for 5 - 7 seconds.
3. Place the heart, leaves, stems, flowers, and flower centers onto the background using the photo as a guide. Fuse-tack into place.
4. Place the border strips about 1/2" around the edge of the background fabric and snip to fit around the heart and leaves. Fuse-tack into place.
5. Steam set the quilt top for 10 seconds in each spot using a pressing cloth.
6. Machine or hand quilt the quilt.
7. Trim 1/4" from the edge of the felt using a decorative blade.
8. Add a hanging loop to the back for display.

**For more information about fusing, read Laura's book
Fusing Fun! Fast, Fearless Art Quilts published by C&T Publishing, 2005.
For more about the fabrics used in this pattern visit:**



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