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Garden Charm Table Runner by Marlene Biles



My first Bake Shop recipe!!! I am so thrilled to have the opportunity to share one of my ideas with you for using those adorable little 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" Bake Shop Sampler charm squares. If you are like me, you've had that gorgeous box safely tucked away on a shelf so that you could admire it from afar . . . but this thing just need to be used!

So go grab up your sampler box and choose a little charmer pack or any assortment of 2 1/2" squares that you have lying around and let's get started . . .

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Ingredients:



*Yardage is based on 42" wide fabric

- 40, 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch Garden Party Bake Shop Sampler squares
- 5/8 yard Bella Solid in Natural for background fabric
- 1/2 yard of backing fabric
- 1/4 yard of binding fabric
- small amounts of lightweight fusible web
- thread to match appliqué
- 16 x 39 inch quilt batting

Garnishes (optional):

- 6 medium/large buttons
- 6 mini buttons

Instructions:

Block Cutting and Assembly



From the background fabric cut the following:

Cut 1, 2 1/2 x 42 inch strip

- Sub-cut into 9, 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch squares - set three of these aside for block centers
- Using the 6 remaining 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch squares, cut once diagonally across the blocks to create 12 corner triangles.



Cut 1, 4 1/8 x 42 inch strip

- Sub-cut into: 6, 4 1/8 x 4 1/8 inch squares
- Cut twice on the diagonal to create 24 side triangles

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Now it's time to break open that little charm pack and choose 4, 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inch squares for the appliquéd flowers - set aside.



Using the remaining 36 squares and all of your cut background pieces - lay out 3 blocks as shown to the left.



Using a 1/4 seam, stitch the rows together and then add the corner triangles. Square up the blocks to measure 9 x 9 inches.

Quilt Cutting and Assembly

From the background fabric:

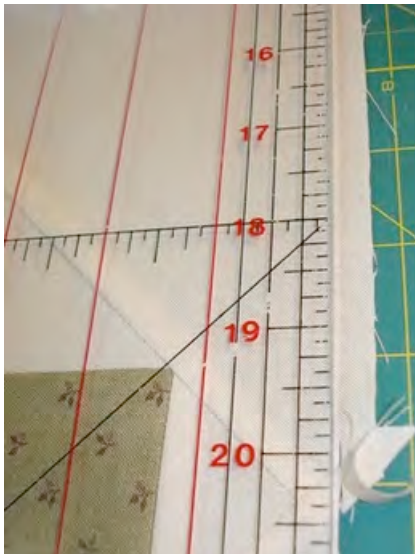
- Cut 1, 14 x 42 inch strip
- Sub-cut into 1, 14 x 14 inch square and cut twice on the diagonal to create 4 side triangles

From the remaining 14 x 28 inch strip, cut a 7 1/4 inch strip and then sub-cut it into 2, 7 1/4 x 7 1/4 inch squares and cut once on the diagonal to create the four corner triangles.

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Lay out the quilt as shown to the left.
Using a 1/4 inch seam allowance, stitch the diagonal rows together and then add the corner triangles.



Straighten the sides of your table runner as shown to the left,
ensuring that you retain your 1/4 inch seam allowance.

Appliqué Instructions



Cut 4 pieces of fusible web 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 inches.

Position the fusible web squares (paper side up) over the template and trace.

Position the fusible squares onto the backs of the four squares you previously set aside and fuse in place.

Cut out each shape on the drawn lines.

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Measure 3 inches out from the point where two blocks intersect and fuse a circle print.

Thread your machine with a thread in a shade slightly darker than the fabric you are stitching. Match your bobbin thread with your background fabric.



Set your machine to a small blanket stitch and stitch around the circles.



Position the petals on top of the stitched circles ensuring that the petals are close enough together in the center so that the large button you have chosen will cover them. Fuse in place and blanket stitch around each petal.

Button - time!



I used buttons in the center of the top and bottom blocks and left the center block without a button. This is where I will place a plant pot or bowl and I want to ensure that whatever is put there will sit flat.

Knot your thread and come up from the back of the quilt top through one of the holes on the large button. Drop one of the mini buttons onto the needle and go down through the other hole and through the large buttonhole as well. Repeat and tie off.

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Quilting

Layer your quilt top, batting and backing using your favorite basting method. If you want to round your corners, use an old CD and pencil to mark a curve.

Machine quilt with a meandering pattern or design of your choice. Be sure to avoid the buttons as you come to them. Trim the corners on the drawn lines to create a gentle curve.

Binding

Cut 3, 2 1/4 x 42 inch strips and stitch together end to end to create a continuous binding strip. Press seams.

Fold strip in half lengthwise and press.

With raw edges aligned, stitch to the right side of the quilt using a 1/4 inch seam, mitering corners as you come to them (for square corners) or easing the binding around the curves. Clip curved edges and hand stitch binding to the backing fabric making sure to cover all machine stitching.

Yield:



One super cute 13 x 37 1/2 inch table runner.

I'm using mine on my patio table for the summer and love how it brightens up the deck. This project would look awesome in just about any fabric line . . . just imagine a Halloween or Christmas print with little pumpkins or presents in place of the flower appliques - the sky really is the limit!

If you have any questions or comments I'd love to hear from you.

Happy sewing!

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