

QUILTED MAGNET

Learn the basics of quilting by making your own quilted magnet! Follow the directions below to create your own unique magnetic miniature quilt. See the attached sheet for more information and pattern pieces.

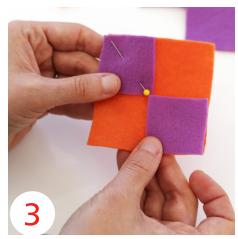


Cut out your paper pattern pieces. Choose a color of felt for the face and back of your magnet. Pin the pattern piece to your felt and cut it out.



Now that your face and back are cut out, it's time to decide on a design using colors that are intriguing to you.

Once you have decided, use your small square and triangle pattern pieces to pin to the fabric and cut out the pieces you need.



Arrange your cut felt pieces on your square how you would like them.

Using just the face side, pin down your first piece so it's held in place on top.

When you're ready to sew, thread your needle and knot the other end.

Continue to sew around all shapes. Make sure to create a knot on the backside before you run out of thread or finish.

When you've sewn your shapes to the front, you can sew your front to the back.





To start, put your needle through the backside of the face piece, so your knot isn't showing on the front. Continue to sew around your shape.

Instead of knotting every time you finish a shape, just jump to the next shape on the backside.

When you have worked your way around the square, make sure to place your magnet inside before the opening becomes too small.

Once it's inside, test your magnet on a refrigerator to make sure it's facing the right way. When you know it's placed correctly, sew shut and knot.



ALL ABOUT QUILTS

Quilting is a fiber art practiced around the world by many cultures. It is the act of sewing together three layers. Quilts have many uses, but they're most commonly used for decoration or warmth.

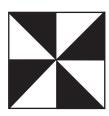
In America, we have made many different kinds of quilts over time. Here are three popular styles:

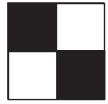
•Whole cloth quilts and medallion quilts were popular in the 1800's. They consist of a plain front and back with a cushion in the middle. The decorative element is made by stitching all three layers together. The stitches make a larger design.

•Patchwork quilts are made up of many pieces of fabric sewn together. These quilts were especially fashionable during hard economic times when people couldn't afford to buy fabric but saved scraps of their own clothes.

•**Applique quilts** are made when decorative elements are added to the top layer of fabric. These have been created especially by the wealthy, who could afford the cost of extra materials. To make your quilted magnet you will use applique techniques that make it look like a patchwork quilt.

You could make these popular quilting patterns with the pattern pieces on the bottom of the page!









Chevron

Pinwheel

Checkerboard

Flying Geese

