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Thanks

# 10 Sewing Ideas for Thanksgiving



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## Letter from the Editors

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Hi Sewists,

[AllFreeSewing](#) is so pleased you have a copy of *Give Thanks: 10 Sewing Ideas for Thanksgiving*. One of the most family-centric holidays in the U.S., Thanksgiving is often forgotten between major commercial holidays like Halloween and Christmas. Never forgetting one of our favorite days of the year, we're thrilled to offer you a collection of crafts that emphasize the importance of giving thanks and celebrating with family and friends. In *Give Thanks: 10 Sewing Ideas for Thanksgiving*, you'll find a variety of easy sewing tutorials. Gather ideas for Thanksgiving that acknowledge the dinner table, kids' activities, and your home décor for the season. Best of all, these Thanksgiving decorations and crafts are designed to last, so you can use them throughout the fall to prep for, celebrate during, and reminisce after your Thanksgiving dinner. Create and keep memories with these DIY ideas for Thanksgiving, all specially designed by skilled seamstresses. Decorating for Thanksgiving just got a lot more fun and festive, thanks to *Give Thanks: 10 Sewing Ideas for Thanksgiving*. Give thanks with us and enjoy the crafts from this roundup.

Happy Sewing!

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## Hostess Gift Bag

By: [Fawnda from Fireflies and Jellybeans](#)

When you're unsure about what to bring to Thanksgiving dinner, consider this Hostess Gift Bag. It's true that a nice bottle of wine goes a long way at a dinner, but coupled with this DIY sleeve in festive fall colors, you're sure to bring more to the table than you originally thought. Not only is it easy to sew this DIY bag, it takes less than an hour to make and you can even use fabric scraps to finish it off. Sounds pretty wonderful; take a look at these accessible instructions for a go-to gift that the whole party will enjoy.



### Materials:

- Fabric (2 pieces 8 X 15 inches)
- Ribbon (24 inch length)
- Coordinating Thread
- Safety-pins
- Sewing Machine
- Scissors
- Bottle of Wine
- Optional: Frey Check



### Directions:

1. Put right sides together and sew across the bottom. Cut out 1 inch squares out of the bottom corners.



2. With Right sides together, sew the sides. In this tutorial there is a 1/4 inch seam allowance.



3. Square off your corners.



4. Put your bottle in the bag and decide how high you want your bag to go by folding down the top.



5. Once you have decided the height of your bag, sew your casing for the drawstring ribbon. The ribbon in this tutorial is thin so it uses a 1/2 inch casing. If your ribbon is thicker you are going to want to make a bigger casing.

6. Sewing the casing involves sewing around the bag to make a little tunnel for your ribbon to go through.



7. Make two slits in your casing where you want your ribbon to go through.



8. Optional: Use Fray Check on your slits to stop them from fraying.



9. Put a safety-pin on one end of your ribbon.



10. Push the safety-pin into and through your casing.



11. Pull the ribbon so that it is even on both sides.



12. Place the bag on your bottle and tie a bow!



You can also make the bag taller and move your casing a bit to make a bag like this one:





## Harvest Raggedy Quilted Coasters

By: [Judi from Love to Sew Studio](#)

These shabby-chic DIY coasters are perfect for resting a steaming mug of apple cider on. Make Harvest Raggedy Quilted Coasters as an easy fall craft that will deck your home for autumn. When guests gather in your home for Thanksgiving, these DIY coasters will add a subtle, decorative touch for a festive, homey look. Follow this easy tutorial on how to quilt these coasters with the perfect print and some batting.



### Materials:

- 2 White Kitchen Towels
- Four Different Lengths of Rick Rack (1 to 1 ½ yards each depending on the width of your towels)
- Sewing Machine
- Needle & Thread
- Pins
- Scissors



### Directions:

1. Place the quilt batting in-between 2 fabric squares as shown in the photo. Do this to all of the fabric squares. You should have 4 of these.



2. Sew from one corner to the opposite corner diagonally as shown in the photo.



3. Make an "X" by sewing from the other side of the coaster diagonally to the opposite side. Each coaster should have an "X" sewn through it as shown in the photo.





4. Sew a 1" border around the outside square of each coaster (this helps prevent the ragging from passing this stitching line).

5. Cut slits around the whole outside of each of your coasters. Be careful not to cut in the stitching. The smaller the slits, the more raggedy your coaster will be. Wash your coasters in cold water. Dry your coasters in the dryer.



6. Your awesome raggedy coasters are done. For a more "harvest" effect, add some raffia and an Autumn Greetings tag.



## Fall Leaf Table Runner and Napkin Rings

By: [Chica from Chica and Jo](#)

This year when you set the table for your turkey dinner, include these coordinating Fall Leaf Table Runner and Napkin Rings. This autumnal craft takes the weight off your shoulders when you're decorating for Thanksgiving. Instead of messing around with foliage from outside, learn how to make faux leaves that nod to those glorious golds, reds, and oranges outdoors and spread them across the table.



### Materials:

- Fabric (amount depends on size of table)
- Felt (in 3 or 4 coordinating colors)
- Hot Glue Gun
- Scissors
- Straight Pins
- Sewing Machine
- Leaf Template (if available)
- Pinking Shears (optional)



### Directions:

1. Start by measuring your table and determining how big you want your runner. The width should generally be in the 12-18" range, and the length should be about 12-24" longer than the length of the table. In this example, the runner is 66" x 14". You'll want to cut the fabric two inches longer and wider than the finished runner, so for this tutorial that means a 68" x 16" piece of fabric.

2. In this tutorial there are two yards (72") of striped fabric, which is plenty for the runner. There are four coordinating colors of felt; in total eight 9"x12" sheets of felt (two in each color). When you have all of your fabric, cut it down to 68" x 16", or the size you need.

3. The next step is to cut out all of the cute felt leaves. This is a lot easier to do if you have a template; but it's not necessary. Cut out the leaf shapes. Then pin them to the felt and start cutting. If you're savvy with getting the most of your felt, you can get about 15 leaves from each sheet. The amount of leaves you need altogether will depend on the size of your runner.



4. Some of your leaves might be tricky to cut out if they have uneven edges; they can be suddenly really easy if you use pinking shears. Just cut around the pattern piece and then trim the bottom with regular scissors!



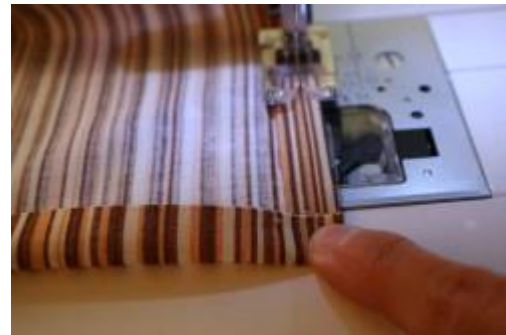
5. Cut about 10 of each pattern in each color, which is 120 total. You may need more or less depending on the size of your runner.



6. Now on to the runner itself. The only sewing we have to do here is to hem up the edges. Pick one side to start with, put the fabric face down, and fold over about 3/8" or 1/2" of the edge. Use the sewing machine to sew that down. When you get near the end of that side, pinch the corner between your fingers and hold it like this:



7. Fold that pinched corner down and hold it ever-so-carefully with the tip of your finger, and continue to sew SLOWLY until you get to that corner. Keep sewing until you get about two stitches onto the folded-over edge. (Please be careful here and don't sew your fingers!)

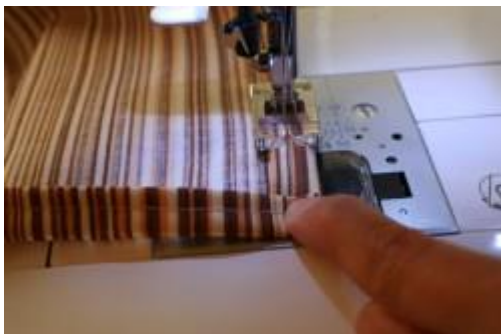


8. Now make sure the needle is in the "down" position (going through the fabric), then lift the presser foot. The needle will hold the fabric in place and you can pivot it 90 degrees so that you can sew the next side of the fabric. Put the presser foot back down and continue hemming the next edge.





9. Continue like this around all four sides. Then do it again! You've got it sort of hemmed after the first pass, but to properly encase the rough edge of the fabric, you'll need to fold it over again, and hem it all the way around one more time. Use the same corner-folding technique and you'll end up with nice, finished results on the front and back.



10. Now to the fun part... gluing on the leaves! Crank up the hot glue gun and put a little dab on the back of a leaf. Stick it right on one of the long sides of the runner, so that it hangs off the fabric a little on the side.



11. Continue with alternating colors and shapes, angling them a little to the left or right, until you get a nice row of leaves. Continue all the way down one side, then do the other.





12. Your table runner is done! You can stop here, or if you're still feeling crafty, you can use the leftover fabric and leaves to make napkins and napkin rings. They're easy, too, and will really make your table decor pop. For the napkin rings, start with a 3" x 6" piece of fabric. Fold it in half lengthwise, with right sides facing, and pin in place.



13. Use the sewing machine to sew along the pinned edge, then flip the tube inside out so that the pretty side of the fabric is showing. Align the seam in the middle of the tube and flatten. It's kind of hard to see in the photo below because of the striped fabric, but the seam is running right down the middle of the top.



14. Fold the flattened tube in half, with seam touching seam. Take it to the sewing machine and sew the ends together.

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15. Open the piece (which is now a loop) and put the seam in the middle of the top. Flatten with your hand. Put a little dab of hot glue under one side of the seam and press it down so that it doesn't stick up.



16. Now take two of your leftover felt leaves (or cut more if you have to) and arrange them so they are a little off-center. Put a dab of hot glue between them and press in place.



17. If you want to have your napkin rings serve double-duty as place cards for your table, you can also use puffy paint or a marker to write a name on the top leaf. If you're planning to do this, just be sure you use a light-colored leaf on top!



18. Squirt a generous amount of hot glue on either side of the seam on top of the fabric ring. Press the leaves down on top of that. The glue

will hold them in place and completely hide that ugly seam.



19. If you bought a long piece of fabric and only used a little of the width, you've got a big piece left. So why not make napkins? They're easy

and really add a lot of style to your table. All you have to do is cut squares of fabric (at least 14" x 14", or larger if you want) and hem up the sides. Use the same hemming technique you used for the table runner, but this time make the folded edge as narrow as you can, so that your napkins aren't bulky on the edges.



22. Now tuck the napkins into the napkin rings and set your table. So pretty!

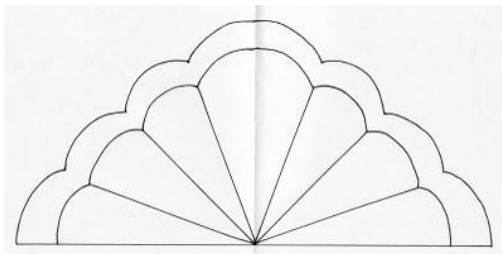




## Last Minute Kids' Thanksgiving Placemat

By: [Vanessa from Punkin Patterns](#)

This Last Minute Kids' Thanksgiving Placemat is a quick and cute solution when you're not sure how to decorate for Thanksgiving. All of your tiny guests will be thrilled at this festive addition to your tabletop – as well as some of the adults too! It's easy to learn how to sew a placemat that looks like a turkey, thanks to this dynamite tutorial. Simply follow these instructions on how to make each turkey part and compile a beautiful piece that will be an anticipated annual treat.



### Materials:

- ½ Yard Dark Red Felt (72" wide)
- ¼ Yard Dark Brown Felt (72" wide)
- Three 9" x 12" Pieces of Tan Felt
- Remnants of Black, Red, and Gold Felt
- Coordinating Thread
- Turkey Template ([Find one from this Google Doc provided by the designer](#))

### Directions:

1. Cut out pieces of felt to make the following pieces - use the main photograph as a guide:  
Feathers A: Cut one on fold in dark red felt  
Feathers B: Cut one on fold in dark brown felt  
Body: Cut one on fold in tan felt  
Eyes: Cut two in black felt  
Beak: Cut one in gold felt  
Wattle: Cut one in red (or dark red) felt



2. Place Feathers A and Feathers B together centering B in A, making sure that the bottom straight edges line up. Pin together.

3. Sew from edge of bumps on feathers down to the center of the turkey leaving pockets in the feathers (See diagram). Sew along the bottom straight edge also. Set aside.



5. Sew beak, wattle, and eyes onto the body. Sew body onto Feathers (A and B) in the center, lining up straight edges on the bottom. You're done! Place on the table with knife, spoon, and fork in the pockets and a plate on top.



## Easy Bread Bag

By: [Rachael from Imagine Gnats](#)

Sew an Easy Bread Bag for a fun and sanitary way to store your bread before, during, and after your Thanksgiving meal. Check out the bag sewing tutorial to learn how to sew a bag that will keep all your homemade bread fresh. Bags like this are easy to make. Plus, you get to choose whatever fabrics you like best with your Thanksgiving decor. Keep your dinner germ-free and more stylish than you ever imagined.



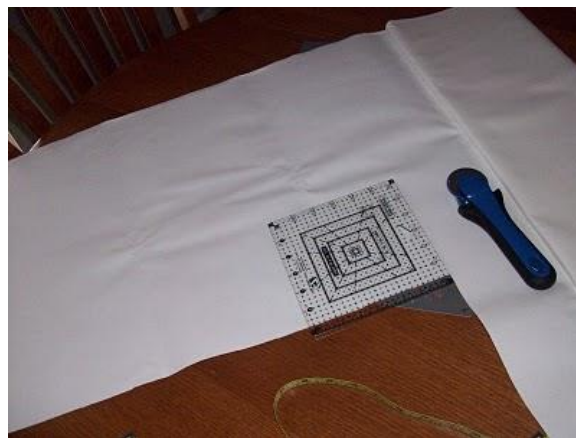
### Materials:

- Cotton Fabric (for the exterior)
- Rubberized Cotton
- Piece of Ribbon (about 36" long)
- Thread
- Scissors (or rotary cutter)
- Tape Measure
- Sewing Machine



### Directions:

1. Because the rubberized cotton is 36" across, use this dimension to help determine the size of the bag (this way you don't waste fabric). Cut the piece for the lining 20" x 18", and this way a 20" piece of the lining material will make two bags. It's easy to adjust the size of the bag, just remember that the height of the lining (in this case the 18" side) needs to be 1" shorter than the height of the exterior cotton fabric. \*Note: all seams are sewn with 1/2" allowance.



2. Fold the lining material in half so that it measures 18" x 10". Sew up the side and across one end, trim corners.



3. Cut a piece of the exterior fabric 20" x 19". Take the ribbon and fold in half so that right

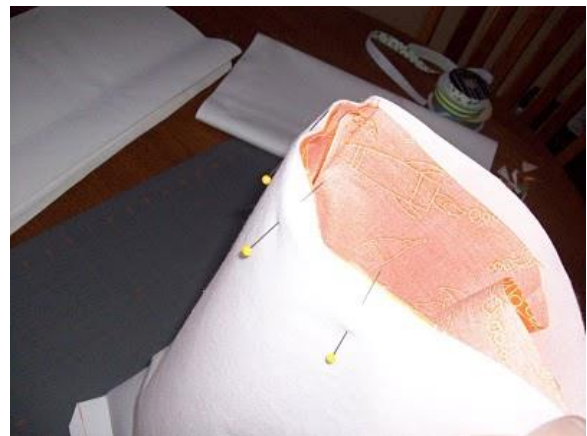
sides are facing. Pin folded ribbon 3" down on 19" side of fabric (pin on right side).



4. Fold the exterior fabric in half so that it measures 19" x 10". Being careful not to catch ribbon in the seam, sew up the side of the fabric. When you reach the end, turn and sew in about 2". On the other side of the end, sew in about 2" as well (this leaves a large place to turn the bag right-side-out). Go back over where the ribbon attaches 1/4" from original seam to secure the ribbon. Trim corners.

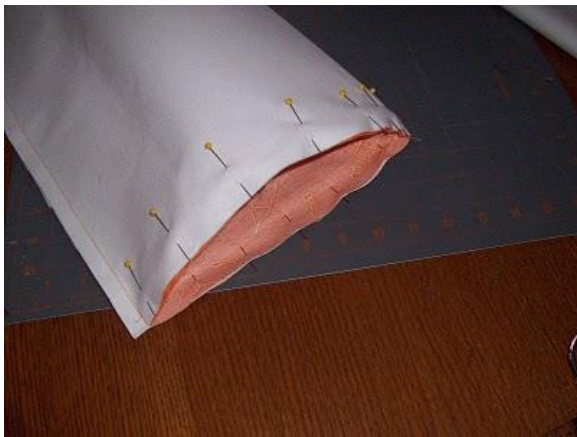


5. Turn the exterior fabric right-side-out and place inside the lining so that right sides face.



6. Pin top edges and sew around. After sewing seam, do not trim.





8. Instead of folding the fabric back at the seam around the opening, just pull back the exterior fabric enough to where it hits the edge of the lining, which will give you 1/2" of the exterior fabric inside the lip of the bag. Even out the edge, pin in place and then topstitch. (This overlap is the reason why you want the exterior fabric to be 1" longer.)

7. Pull the exterior fabric out and pull over lining, turning bag right-side-out.





9. Now the only part left is to finish the bottom edge of the exterior. You could slipstitch, or you could just pin together and topstitch across the entire edge (making sure that the lining doesn't get caught in seam).



10. There it is! You've got your very own bread bag.





## The Traditional Turkey Handprint

By: [Judi from Love to Sew Studio](#)

From this tutorial, make a turkey that will last longer than your Thanksgiving dinner with The Traditional Turkey Handprint. Ideas for Thanksgiving like this one play off of a classic holiday tradition for kids. With your child, create a handprint and transform it into the nation's favorite bird with the help of these instructions. Make this decoration for the month of November or use it as an opportunity for a group kids' craft on Thanksgiving. Even after your child's hand has outgrown this outline, you'll love taking out this softie year after year and reminiscing.



### Materials:

- Scraps of Fall Color Fabrics
- Fiber Fill or Stuffing
- One Button for Eye
- Paper
- Black Marker
- Scissors
- Pins
- Sewing Machine or Needle & Thread

### Directions:

1. Have your child trace their hand with a pencil.



2. Go over it in a black marker and make the feathers by drawing a curved line from the index finger to the pinky finger as shown. Number the feathers. This will be your pattern.



3. Fold a brown piece of fabric in half and pin and cut the turkey body. You will have two, one for the front and one for the back.

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4. Pin and cut the feathers on different colored fabrics. You only need one feather per finger.



5. Place the two turkey bodies right-sides-out. Pin each of the feathers in place. Leave a 3-4" opening at the bottom.



6. The double blue pins and yellow pins indicate where to leave an opening. Add a gobble.



7. Zigzag stitch around the outer edge of the handprint as shown. Don't forget to leave an opening. To reinforce the zigzag stitch, straight stitch around the outer edge of the handprint, once again leaving the opening at the bottom.



8. Very gently stuff the turkey starting with the feathers.



9. Stitch up the opening in the same manner with zigzag and then straight stitch.



10. Hand sew a button on for an eye and your child handprint turkey craft is ready to be on display.





## Turkey Time Quilt

By: [Judi from Love to Sew Studio](#)

There's no doubt about it that once you see the instructions to this craft for Thanksgiving, you'll want to gobble it up and start sewing ASAP. The Turkey Time Quilt tutorial walks you through all of the steps to sewing this fabulous fabric poultry piece. Decorating for Thanksgiving has never been this adorable. Have each family member write something they're thankful for on one of the turkey's feathers. You can use this quilt as a throw during the holiday and afterwards to remember the festivities.



### Materials:

- About 1/3 a Yard of Cream Fabric for Quilt Front and Back
- Quilt Batting
- Pre-packed Quilt Binding
- Scraps of Fall Color Fabrics
- Heat' n Bond or Wonder Under
- Iron
- Sewing Machine or Needle & Thread
- Pins
- Scissors
- Black Permanent Marker
- Computer paper

### Directions:

1. Tape four 8.5"X11" pieces of computer paper together.

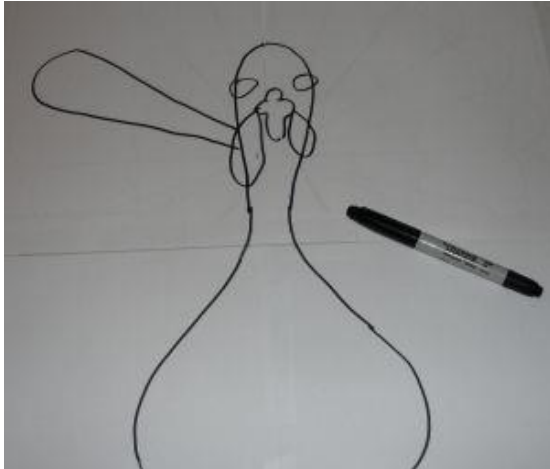


2. With a black permanent marker, draw a turkey body.



3. Add the head, eyes, gobble, and nose. Draw one feather. This will be your pattern.

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4. Pin and cut out one turkey body.



5. Follow the manufacturer's guide on Heat n' Bond: (If you do not have Heat n' Bond you can zigzag appliqué each feather on.) Then pin and cut as many feathers as you would like on your turkey. This tutorial matches the number of feathers with the number of Thanksgiving guests.



6. Peel off the Heat n' Bond paper and place the feathers where you want them. Place the turkey body over top and press. If you are not using Heat n' Bond, now is the time to pin and zigzag stitch the feathers on.



7. Using a close zigzag stitch, stitch around the edge of the turkey body.



8. Using the scraps of fabric add the eyes, nose, and gobble with either Heat n' Bond or a zigzag stitch.

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9. As your guests arrive, have each family member write on a feather what they are thankful for.



10. Cut the quilt binding for the two smaller sides of the quilt. Sandwich the quilt in the quilt binding and pin in place. Stitch along the outer edge as shown in the photo. Do the same thing to the other two raw edges of the quilt. Your

family turkey quilt is done and can be displayed each Thanksgiving as a reminder of what everyone was so thankful for that year.





## Fall Wreath

By: [Heather from Small Fry & Co](#)

There's no better way to stage a warm, Thanksgiving welcome than by learning how to make a wreath for fall. Classic in its basic structure and innovative in its details, this Fall Wreath is a DIY Thanksgiving decoration you'll want to make. Use this homemade wreath tutorial as a means of greeting guests and as a photo hot spot during your Thanksgiving celebration.



### Materials:

- Thrifted Wreath
- Fabric for Both Leaves and Pumpkins
- Heat' n Bond
- Leaf Die Cuts (if available) or Scissors
- Hot Glue Gun
- Sewing Machine
- Needle & Thread
- Stuffing

- Twigs
- Wire
- Floral Tape
- Pencil
- Mod Podge
- Ribbon



### Directions:

1. For the leaves, fuse two pieces of fabric together with Heat' n Bond in the middle. Use die cuts to cut out the leaves. You could do this at a lot of craft stores (which have die cuts available to use) or you could free hand them all. If you want the leaves to curl, brush a coat of Mod Podge on the front side of some of them and lay them in between some glasses to dry so that the edges curl. Here is a picture of some with and without the glue.



2. Glue the leaves all over the wreath base.



3. Next make the pumpkins. These are super easy and you don't even have to worry about perfection because they look more rustic when you don't. To make a pumpkin, cut out a rectangle piece of fabric, any size will do. These are about 8x9" or so. If you want taller

pumpkins, start with a rectangle that is tall and skinny.



4. Sew the side seams together with the right sides of the fabric together. These are about 1/4 inch seams.



It will look like this when done.



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5. Using a needle and thread, do a running stitch around the bottom edge of the rectangle while you still have the wrong sides out.



6. Gather this up tight.



7. You could just do a few hand stitches to anchor it or put the whole thing under the presser foot of your sewing machine and sew over it like this.



8. Now turn this piece right-side-out. This is a look at the bottom of the pumpkin at this point.



9. Stuff this, but not too full.



10. Using a needle and thread, do a running stitch all around the top of the fabric and pull it tight. This time do a few stitches back and forth from one side to the other to hold it together.

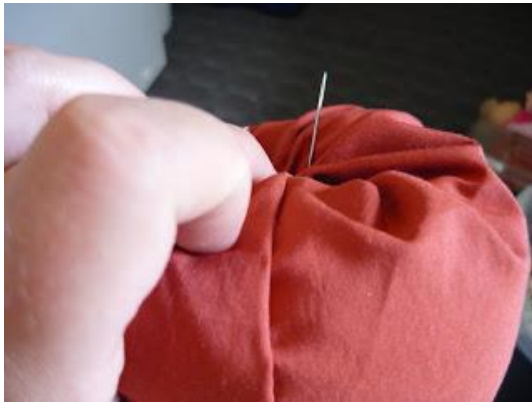




Like this:



11. Now push your needle down through the center and out the bottom of the pumpkin and pull tight. Then go the opposite direction and once more down through the bottom. At the bottom tie off your thread. This will create an indent in the center of your pumpkin.



Like this:



12. Use some dead branches for the stem.



13. Hot glue the stem in the center of the indent.



14. Lastly, you need vine curly cues. For these cut a piece of wire (the length really depends on how much curly cue you want).

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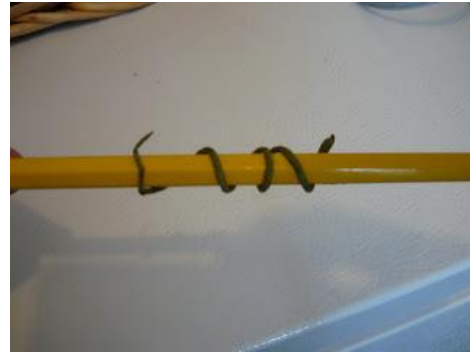
15. Cover the wire using floral tape.



16. To cover the wire, wrap the floral tape around the top of the wire and start pulling the tape downward while twisting the wire. Stretching the tape makes it sticky and it will stick to itself. You want to wrap tightly. Pull and tear when you reach the bottom.



17. Wrap your wire around a pencil like this to make it curly.



18. Hot glue these in place around the stem. You could make leaves too if you want.



19. Glue these to your wreath. Not too many, you don't want it to look tacky. Hang with a ribbon.



## Scrap Buster Fall Pillow

By: [Allison from Cluck Cluck Sew](#)

Decorate for Thanksgiving this year and use up your fabric scraps at the same time with this 16" square Scrap Buster Pillow Cover. Styled in a seasonal pattern, this sewn pillow nods perfectly to the changing foliage outdoors. Keep this pillow around leading up to Thanksgiving, celebrate around it during the big dinner, and reminisce over your much-loved meal afterwards while relaxing against this cute cushion. Totally trendy for Thanksgiving, this DIY pillow can sit on your couch all year-long.



### Materials:

- Scraps: enough for the tree trunk and the leaves. Cutting your scraps into rectangles will make it easier to adhere them to the appliqué material.
- Appliqué Material: This tutorial uses Heat' n Bond. You'll need about 1/2 yard or more depending on how many leaves you want to make.
- Material for the Pillow Front: cut to 17" x 17" square. The fabric in this tutorial is

lightweight canvas, but you could use anything.

- Material for the Back: Cut 1 rectangle 17"x 14" and cut 1 rectangle 17"x 10".
- Iron



### Directions:

1. Iron your fabric scraps onto your appliqué material according to the directions on the



appliqué material. (press & hold the iron over each scrap for a few seconds using a very hot iron to make the appliqué material stick better).



2. Now with scissors cut out your trunk and leaf shapes. For the trunk, draw the shape of the trunk on the back of the appliqué material to get a nice shape, but for the leaves you can free cut as you go. For your reference, the trunk on this pillow is 8" tall, and the leaves are all about 2.5" long and are 1.5" or so wide.

3. When you get all of your leaves cut out, tear the backing appliqué paper off the leaves and trunk.



4. You can arrange the leaves however you want on your pillow front. Don't place any within an 1.5" of the edges to leave room for sewing.

5. Once your design is how you like it, press with an iron over each spot for a few seconds, making sure not to bump anything out of place. This will keep everything in place while you sew them on.



6. Now you can sew either along the inside edges of your leaves, or you can do a zigzag stitch or blanket stitch around the edges if you prefer. You can move your foot from leaf to leaf without cutting the strings so it goes faster, then go back and cut your strings at the end.



7. To prepare your pillow back, fold one of the short edges of each pillow backing piece in 1/2"

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and press, then again 1/2" and press and sew to hide any raw edges. These will be the edges of the envelope back.



8. Lay the backing pieces right sides down onto the pillow front overlapping the centers. Place the smaller backing piece (10" x 17") down first on the pillow front, but you might actually prefer to lay the larger pieces down first since it makes the cover easier to slip on. Either way, make sure your right sides are facing towards the right sides of your pillow front and your outer edges match.



9. Pin around the edges well. Sew with a 1/4" inseam around the edges, backstitch over the envelope openings for extra strength. After the initial sewing, go around the edges with a serger, pinking shears or a quick zig zag stitch.

It's especially important if you are using home weight fabric which tends to fray easily. Then clip your extra corner fabric off so the corners will turn nicely.

10. Turn your pillow cover inside out and stuff a 16" pillow form in it.



## Everlasting Fall Leaves

By: [Judi from Love to Sew Studio](#)

Decorating for Thanksgiving just got a lot more fun thanks to this tutorial on DIY tabletop decor. Everlasting Fall Leaves let you keep the best of autumn by teaching you how to sew leaves out of fabric. Instead of watching those gorgeous golds, reds, and yellows disappear with the frost, keep these colors by learning how to sew leaves that look like the real thing. Your table will look delightful with these awesome autumnal hues spread around it as hot pads or simple decor.

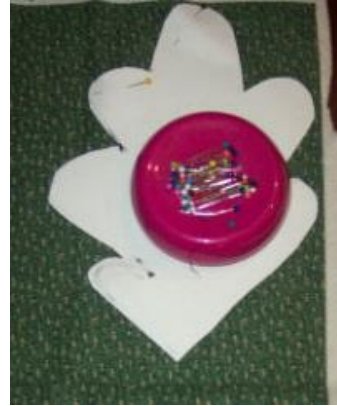


### Materials:

- Fall Color Fabric
- Quilt Batting
- Sewing Machine
- Pins
- Scissors
- Paper
- Pen or Marker

### Directions:

1. First, draw yourself a leaf on a piece of paper. This is about 9" X 7". Pin and cut one layer of quilt batting and two layers of fabric for each leaf.



2. Place the leaf batting down on a flat surface. Then put one of the fabric leaves down with right-sides-up. Put the other fabric leaf right-sides-down, as shown in the photo.



3. Stitch around the leaf using the pressure foot as your guide. Leave an opening towards the bottom of your leaf large enough to turn it right-side-out. When you are done sewing it, clip into the curved areas as shown in the photo, being careful not to cut into your stitching line.





4. Turn your leaf right-side-out. Poke out curves and press the leaf flat. Hand stitch the opening closed.



5. Straight stitch the "veins" on your leaf as shown in the photo. Cut all hanging or loose threads.



6. Your autumn fabric leaves are done! You can use them as hot pads, decorations for your table, and more. If you would like them to have a nice autumn scent, add a teaspoon of whole cloves before you hand stitch them closed.



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