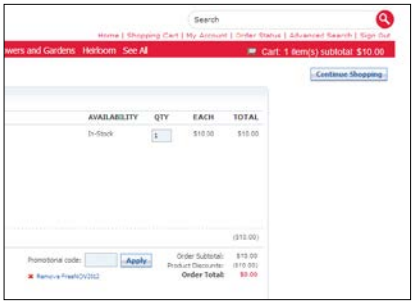
Autumn Hexagon Runner

By Marie Duncan

Make this gorgeous autumn hexagon runner using the Hex N More Ruler! /Batik fabrics add a nice touch of autumn color to your table. The IN-R-Form batting alternative gives nice definition to the quilting and the pretty embroidery design which is free for the month of September, quilts the runner beautifully!

The leaf design is the 2013 September Monthly Design, #200153040. It is free for the month of September 2013 from www.myembroideries.com.

To download the design, go to the HUSQVARNA VIKING® website. Click on **Be Inspired/Inspiration** and **Free Monthly Projects**. Click on the **Download Design** button to access the design. When you get to the checkout, enter the coupon code **free2013sep** in the box. Click **Apply**.



After September 2013, the design will be available for purchase on www.myembroideries.com.

Sewing Supplies:

- Interchangeable Dual Feed 920219096
- Changeable ¼" Guide Foot 413238345
- Changeable Quilters Guide Foot 413155545
- Clear ¼" Piecing Foot w/guide 412927445
- Do All Quilter's Hoop 150mm x 150mm 920115096
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- INSPIRA® embroidery needle, size 90 620071896
- INSPIRA® Aqua Magic stabilizer 620120201
- INSPIRA® In-R-Form batting alternative 36" x 58" 620131596
- Hex N More Ruler JBQ201
- Assorted batik fabrics for hexagons minimum 6 ½" squares or strips
- ⅝ yard of backing fabric
- Sewing thread

NOTE: Pre-Wash all fabrics to pre-shrink. We will need to wash our runner to remove the stabilizer after embroidery. INSPIRA® In-R-Form batting alternative does not shrink. If the fabrics aren't pre-washed, puckering can occur after washing.

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Cut:

From assorted batiks:

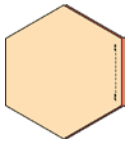
Sixteen 6½" hexagons following instructions that came with the ruler

From backing fabric:

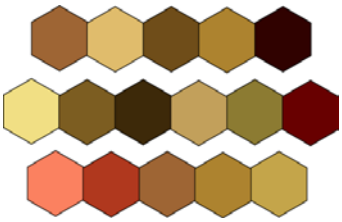
Two 20" squares

Piece the Hexagons:

1. Thread with sewing thread top and bobbin.
2. Select Woven Medium, Seam on your Exclusive SEWING ADVISOR®.
3. Snap on your Clear ¼" Piecing Foot w/Guide.
4. Lay out the hexagons on a flat surface and decide on the placement.
5. Pick them up in order, and take to your sewing machine.
6. Place the first two right sides together.
7. Begin stitching ¼" from the edge and backstitch. Continue sewing stopping ¼" from the end and backstitch as shown.



8. Continue piecing the hexagon together in this manner until you have three strips as shown.



9. Press all seams open.
10. Place the first two strips right sides together. You will be lining up the first seam to be sewn, only. Stitch the first two sides together stopping with the needle down in the seam. Pivot and "arrange" the next seam to be sewn. Repeat until the seam is complete.
11. Repeat with the other row of hexagons.
12. Press all seams open.
13. Place the two backing squares right sides together.
14. Begin to stitch the seam and sew about 6". Stop. Select Baste on your Exclusive SEWING ADVISOR®.
15. Sew about 8". Reselect Seam on your Exclusive SEWING ADVISOR®. Sew the remaining seam.
16. Press the seam to one side.

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17. Place the pieced runner top right sides together with the backing fabric; pin.
18. Trim the backing even with the pieced top.
19. Transfer your pins to the backing side.
20. Place the pinned runner, backing side up, on top of INSPIRA® In-R-Form batting alternative.
21. Pin through all layers.
22. Attach your Interchangeable Dual Feed and snap on the Changeable ¼" Guide Foot.
23. Stitch around the outside of the runner using a ¼" seam allowance.
24. Trim the excess In-R-Form.
25. Clip the outer corners and snip in to the seam line on the inner corners.
26. Open up the basted portion of the backing seam.
27. Turn right side out.
28. Insert Steam-A-Seam into the opening and press with steam to fuse closed.
29. Topstitch ¼" from the outer edge all the way around.
30. Snap on your Changeable Quilter's Guide Foot. Stitch in the ditch of the hexagons.

Embroider/Quilt your Runner:

1. To quilt your runner, hoop Aqua Magic stabilizer in your Do All Quilter's Hoop.
2. Bring up design **200153040**.
3. Thread with sewing thread top and bobbin. Because the design is mostly straight stitching, with only a tiny bit of narrow satin stitching, the sewing thread will quilt nicely and look better on the back of the runner than bobbin thread would.
4. Place your runner on the hooped stabilizer.
5. Activate **Baste in Hoop** .
6. The needle moves to the top right of the basting area.
7. Baste the runner to the hooped stabilizer.

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8. Stitch the first leaf. We placed the leaves randomly, allowing some to overlap slightly.
9. Embroider as many leaves as you would like.
10. Wash the runner in the washing machine in warm water to remove the stabilizer.

Enjoy your beautiful runner as you set the table for dinner!

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