

Mini Mats & Pin Cushions

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Featuring the Forest Spirit Collection by Felice Regina

Mini Mat Size: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"

Pin Cushions Approximate Size: 4 1/2" x 5 1/2" x 2"



Mini Mats

FREE
PROJECT



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PLEASE NOTE: BEFORE MAKING YOUR PROJECT, CHECK FOR ANY PATTERN UPDATES AT WINDHAMFABRICS.COM'S FREE PROJECTS SECTION.



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FABRIC	SKU NUMBER	YARDAGE
	51111P- X Panel	1 Panel
	51117-8 Pale Gold	1/2
	51114-1 Persimmon	1/2
	51116-3 Veridian	1/8
	51118-6 Citrine	1/8

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

- (4) 10" x 10" squares of batting for Mini Mats
- FiberFill for Pin Cushions
- Embroidery floss in green and gold to match the pin cushions

CUTTING:

Mini Mats

- From 51111P-X Panel
 - Cut (4) blocks in orange color (be sure to remove all white background fabric of panel)

- From 51117-8 Pale Gold & 51114-1 Persimmon
 - Cut (2) each 10" X 10" squares for backing
 - Cut (2) each 1 3/4" x WOF (width of fabric) for binding

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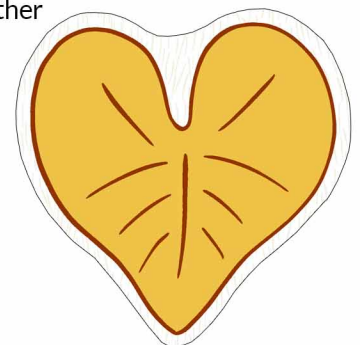
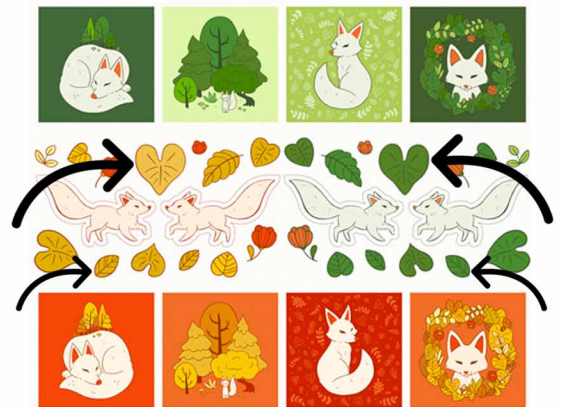
- From 51111P-X Multi
 - Cut (1) large leaf each color Citrine and Green (see picture) - add 1/4" seam allowance around each leaf
 - Cut (1) small leaf each color Citrine and Green (see picture) - add 1/4" seam allowance around each leaf

- From 51116-3 Veridian & 51118-6 Citrine
 - Cut (1) each large leaf shape using the leaf cut above as the template - *cut with right sides together
 - Cut (1) each small leaf shape using the leaf cut above as the template - *cut with right sides together
 - Cut (1) each color 2 1/2" x 14 1/2" for sides.

**Note: You are using the fabric as our template and since it is on the reverse side of the pin cushion, the pattern must also be reversed.*

SPECIAL NOTE:

Seam allowances are 1/4" except where specified.





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ASSEMBLY:

Mini Mats

51114-1 Persimmon fabric is for the sitting and sleeping fox print backing & binding.
51117-8 Pale Gold fabric is for the trees and the fox in the leaf wreath backing & binding.

1. Take one of the printed fox blocks - make a sandwich by placing the print block centered on top of the batting square and then add the backing square in 51114-1 Persimmon on the bottom. Be sure the face of the print is facing outward on the back side of the block mat.
2. Pin or base the pieces together. Quilt as you desire around the fox. Trim the excess fabric from batting and backing to match face piece.
3. Bind around edges with 51214-1 Persimmon.
4. Repeat steps for the other 3 blocks changing the fabric for backing & binding accordingly.

Note: If you would like to make the green mats instead of the orange one, substitute the following backing and binding fabrics:

51117-8 Pale Gold → 51118-2 Pine
51114-1 Persimmon → 51115-5 Celedon



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51116-3 Veridian is for the green leaves
51118-6 Citrine is for the gold leaves

Small leaf

1. Take the matching floss color. Cut (3) 8" lengths. On one end knot the pieces together. Anchor that end so that you can braid the strands together. You want a finished length about 4". Knot the end when braid is finished.
2. With right sides together, slide the braided floss between the face and back of the leaf with one short knotted end sticking out. Sew around the leaf leaving a hole on one side large enough to turn the leaf to the right side.

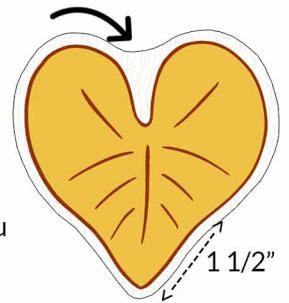


Note: Be sure you do not catch the floss into the seam allowance.

3. Clip around seam allowance so that seam can lie smoothly, turn to the right side. Stuff with a small amount of fiberfill and either hand or machine sew the opening closed.

Large Leaf

1. Take one matching side strip and press one short end 1/4" to the wrong side. Starting from a position 1 1/2" from point of leaf, with right sides together, pin or baste the side piece around the edge of the leaf. You may find it easier to clip the seam allowance around curved sections as you pin or as you later machine stitch. Slide the small leaf in-between the 2 layers with the short knotted end of the braid sticking out at the top of the leaf (position indicated by arrow). When you sew all around the leaf, overlap the short ends of the side piece with the folded end on underneath. This is where you will later add the stuffing to the leaf. Press seam as flat as possible.



Note: Be sure you do not catch the floss or the small leaf into the seam allowance.

2. Take the matching bottom leaf shape and with right sides together, start at the same position on the leaf and pin or baste to the side strip the same as you did for the top. make sure they line up.
3. Turn to the right side and press seam. Stuff with fiber fill or you can make it even better by using crushed walnut shells as the stuffing to make the pin cushion more rust proof for your pins.
4. Hand stitch the opening closed.
5. Repeat for the other leaf.

