

# birds of provence placemat

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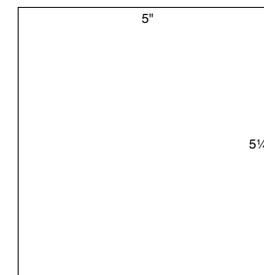
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## SUPPLIES & TOOLS:

Material Requirements are for two placemats and napkins

- Provence Fabrics
  - 1/4 yd. blue floral
  - 1/2 yd. birds on gold
  - 3/4 yd. blue geometric (includes backing)
  - 3/8 yd. white floral bouquet
  - 3/4 yd. red daisies (includes napkins)
- Two 14-1/2" x 19-1/2" pieces of quilt batting
- Gold and red sewing thread
- 5" x 5-1/4" translucent template plastic
- Sewing machine
- Iron & pressing surface
- Basic sewing supplies
- Ruler and pen or pencil
- Optional: rotary cutter, ruler and cutting mat



## DIRECTIONS:

1. Follow steps 2 through 7 to cut the pieces for the placemats and napkins.
2. Mark the vertical and horizontal centers of the template. Center the template over the motif you wish to cut out so that the rectangle is horizontal. Draw around the template and then cut out the shape. For fabrics with an all over design, you can also cut the 5" x 5 1/4" rectangles using a rotary cutter, ruler and cutting mat.
3. From light blue floral, cut four rectangles.
4. From blue geometric print, cut two 13-7/8" x 19-3/8" backs and four rectangles.
5. From red daisy, cut two 18"x18" squares for the napkins and four rectangles.
6. From white floral bouquet, cut six rectangles with each one centered over a bouquet.
7. From gold bird print, cut six rectangles centered with each one centered over a bird or a pair of birds. Then cut four more scrap rectangles from the remaining fabric.
8. Follow steps 9 through 17 to make each placemat. Stitch all seams right sides together using 1/4" seam allowance.

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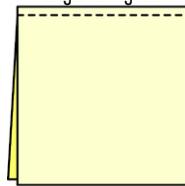
Skill Level 2: some experience necessary

Approx. Crafting Time: varies

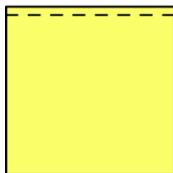
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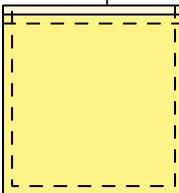
9. To make the napkin pocket for the lower right corner of each placemat, stitch a bird rectangle to a scrap rectangle along the top edge. Press the seam open.



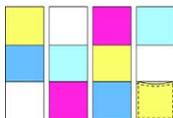
10. Fold the pocket along the seam so the right sides are out and press the top seam. Topstitch  $1/4$ " from the top edge.



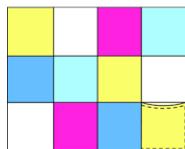
11. Pin the pocket to another scrap piece matching the sides and lower edges. Baste  $1/4$ " from the side and lower edges.



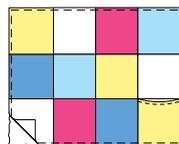
12. Arrange the rectangles in four rows of three as shown in the diagram with the pocket in the lower right corner. Stitch the rectangles in each row together. Press the seams in rows 1 and 3 down toward the bottom of the row. Press the seams in rows 2 and 4 up toward the top of the row.



13. Then stitch the rows together matching the seams to complete the top.



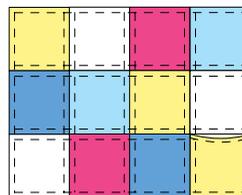
14. Place the top on the quilt batting and baste them together  $1/4$ " from the outer edges. Trim the batting close to the basting.



15. Pin the front to the back with right sides together stretching the back so the edges are even with the front. Stitch around the edges leaving an opening of about 4" along the bottom edge.

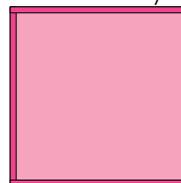


16. Turn the placemat right side out and press the edges lightly to flatten the outer seams. Slipstitch the opening closed along the seamline.
17. Quilt  $1/4$ " from the outer edges. Quilt  $1/4$ " from the vertical and horizontal seams of the placemat but not along the top edge of the pocket.

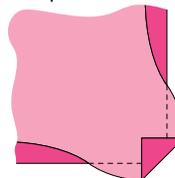


18. Follow steps 19 through 21 to make the napkins.

19. Press under  $3/8$ " along the edges of the napkin.



20. Open the hem at the corner and press the corner diagonally.



21. Then fold hem in half so the top raw edge matches the pressed fold. Stitch the narrow hem in place.

