



## CHRISTMAS TREE SKIRT OR TABLE TOPPER

Fabric requirements yields 2 tree skirts or table toppers.

**Fabric:** 9 different fabrics for skirt – 100% cotton. (make sure your fabric is at least 42" wide after preshrinking) . Attached is a fabric measurement worksheet. The "Yardage Needed" column will be what you will need to buy.

When selecting your fabrics, line up your 9 choices in an order that is pleasing to the eye, fabrics 1 – 9. Fabrics 1 and 9 will be on the outside edges. I like to put my very favorite fabric in the center of the tree skirt in the 4 or 5 position. Also... if you select a real "zinger" fabric, that looks great near the center too. Pay attention to contrast between color and design. Also, don't forget that this fabric will be cut up. So.. try not to get two busy prints next to each other. Same goes for the same colors. You want to be able to see the piecing after you have put all of this effort into your project.

Once you are satisfied with the layout of the fabrics, have your fabric cut paying attention to the attached cutting chart, **Yardage Needed** column.

\*\*\* *Since we are working with angled wedges of fabric, please get good quality cotton to reduce the probability of stretching and distorting.*

**Backing/Batting/Binding** (won't need for the class, we'll only be working on the top)

- 4 yds backing (remember this yields 2 tree skirts or table toppers)
- 4 yds batting
- 2 yds binding

**Supplies:**

- Rotary cutter (with a sharp blade), large cutting mat (*at least 24" x 36"*) and ruler (*at least 18" long*)
- 9 or 10 degree circle wedge ruler (Phillips Fiber Arts)
- Fabric Grippers (optional but sure do come in handy to prevent your wedge ruler from slipping) May also use Invisigrip
- Sewing machine in good working order that you know how to operate
- 1/4" presser foot
- Basic sewing supplies – Sewing machine, pins, scissors, , etc.
- Neutral color thread – i.e. beige, light gray
- Glue stick

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# Roadmap for Wedgework Xmas Tree Skirt

Fabric #	Swatch	Cut Width in inches	Finished Width	inches needed	Yardage needed
1		4.5	4	45	1 1/4
2		2.5	2	25	3/4
3		3	2.5	30	7/8
4		2	1.5	20	2/3
5		2.75	2.25	27.5	3/4
6		2	1.5	20	2/3
7		2.5	2	25	3/4
8		3	2.5	30	7/8
9		4	3.5	40	1 1/4
<b>Total Finished Width</b>			<b>21.75</b>	<b>262.5</b>	<b>7 5/6</b>
Put fabrics least liked in positions 1 & 9					
<b>PRE-WORK</b>					
<b>NOTE:</b> You can use less than 9 fabrics, you can use fabrics more than once.					
But you will have to pay attention to the yardage purchased if using less than 9 fabrics.					
Have the store help you figure what you need to purchase and what you need to cut.					
Prior to arriving in class please have your strips cut according to the Cut Width column on the "Roadmap for Wedgework Xmas Tree Skirt" spreadsheet.					
Strips are cut across the width of the fabric (selvedge to selvedge).					
<i>As each fabric is cut, glue a small piece of that fabric to the column "swatch" to help you keep the fabrics in the correct order when sewing</i>					
You will need to cut 10 strips, the correct width, (light blue column)out of EACH of the 9 fabrics.					
For example. For fabric 1, you will cut 10 strips that are 4.5" wide.					
Fabric 2, you will cut 10 strips that are 2.5" wide..... and so on.					