

Timber Lane Creations LLC
"Mini Quilt" – AKA – Hot Pads



Our popular item is a 10 inch square potholder.

Materials Needed: 5 to 6 ½ inch theme block (Can be square or rectangular)
10 to 11 inch square Warm and Natural Batting
10 to 11 inch square Insulbrite
(Note – you can use a smaller "theme block" – frequently I purchase 3" squares and put 4 together to make one larger theme block)
Several 1 ¼" to 1 ½" wide strips to sew around theme block
10 to 11 inch square of fabric for back of potholder
1 – 2 1/2 inch strip of 44/45" fabric for binding

1. Place your theme block on your square of Warm and Natural Batting. Your theme block does not need to be centered unless you choose. Offsetting the block is fine – doesn't need to be centered or square. This is basically paper piecing using the Warm and Natural Batting as the base – foundation piecing if you will.
2. Choose coordinating or contrasting fabric cut into 1 ¼ to 1 ½ inch strips. You can use whatever size strip you desire but we've found the 1 ¼ to 1 ½ inch strips work best. Sew strips around your center square.
3. Continue adding strips (usually 2 to 3 strips total).
4. Cut corner triangles and sew to each corner. Note: I measure the length needed as it varies for each block and cut 2 squares of the needed size and sew to corner. Included is a guide to corner and side triangle sizes.
5. Place your completed top on the square of insulbrite with backing fabric on the bottom. Pin in the center to prevent shifting. Sew using desired thread and stitches.
6. Once you've completed sewing the top press and trim to a 10" square.
7. Taking your binding piece (2 ½ inch strip) and press in half. Choose the corner where you want to hang the pot holder by.
8. Start binding – do not cut or trim the salvage. Start salvage a little beyond the edge of the pot holder.
9. When you arrive at the corner stop ¼ inch from corner and miter the binding. Continue sewing binding on all remaining sides. Turn the binding and press and hand sew the binding edge.
10. Make your potholder loop using your preferred method.