March 28, 2023 Program Meeting Making Table Runners Using 10 Degree Ruler

At the March 28, 2024, Program Meeting, Guild members learned how to make a rectangular or curved table runner using a 10 degree ruler. Three fat quarters, the ruler, sewing machine, and notions were necessary to complete the project.

The instructor previously layered the 3 fat quarters together and safety pinned them together so they wouldn't move when she cut them in layers. Look to the left in the picture.



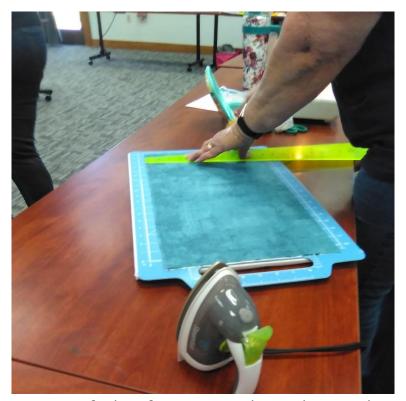
At the bottom of the picture you can see the cut pieces from the 3 layers.

The instructor then demonstrated where to start cutting the fabrics.



Demonstrating How to Use the Ruler

Line up the top of the ruler to the top of the fabric as close to the edge as possible. The first cut of the fabric is waste because of the ruler's slant.



Cut the first piece out of the fabric on the other side of the ruler. I'm using previous picture as my guide.

Flip the ruler and cut the second piece.



Flip the ruler and cut the third piece.



Keep flipping the ruler each time you cut a piece of the fabric.

Then lay out your pattern to sew. Rectangular pattern in progress.





Curved pattern in progress. Sections can be 6 or 8 pieces.







8 Piece and 6 Piece Sections

You can alternate the 8 piece and 6 piece sections as shown or use all 6 piece sections or all 8 piece sections to form the curved table runner.

Some table runner tops "finished" from the Meeting:







Instructors actual finished table runners:



The curved table runner has top stitching that was done on the sewing machine.



The curved table runner doesn't have a binding. The edges were turned and pressed in for the runner top and the fabric back. Then the two pieces were sewn together with a thin batting between them. The rectangular runner's fabric binding was machine stitched. See below.

