

French Braid Workshop with Jen

Saturday April 25th @ Saylorburg Firehall 9am-3pm

Fabric requirements:

From yardage:

- Main fabrics: 13-15 Fat quarters (or you can use half yard pieces cut in half. The more variety, the scrappier it might look)
- Accent triangles: 3 fat quarters or 5/8 yard
- Inner Border: 1/3 yard
- Outer border: 1 1/2 yards

From Scraps or 2 2/12" strips:

- Main fabrics: 104 pieces 2 1/2" x 8 1/2" (A)
84 pieces 2 1/2" x 6 1/2" (B)
84 2 1/2" squares (C)
- Accent triangles: 104 2 1/2" squares (D)
- Inner & Outer: the same from yardage section

Cutting requirements (From yardage):

- Main fabrics: from each fat quarter cut the following –
 - 1 strip 8 1/2" x width (20+) (A)
 - 1 strip 6 1/2" x width (20+) (B)
 - 1 strip 2 1/2" x width (20+) (C)
- Accent fabrics: 13 strips 2 1/2" x width (20+) (D)
- Inner border: 6 strips 1 1/2" WOF
- Outer border: 7 strips 5 1/2" WOF

**One jelly roll will be enough fabric for the A & B pieces; you might need different fabric for the C squares depending on how you cut

**If you want the C squares to stand out better down the middle of the braids, then you can use the same color as the accent or another color of your choice

Pre-class work:

- Please have these sewn before class so that we can get to doing the braids quicker 😊

From yardage

1. Sew D strip to A strip
 - Cut 104 pieces 2 1/2" wide
 - label AD
2. Sew C strip to B strip
 - Cut 84 pieces 2 1/2" wide
 - label BC

From Scraps

1. Sew D squares to A strip
 - 104 total
 - label AD
2. Sew C squares to B strip
 - 104 total
 - label BC

This is where the two options merge together. The below directions are for the start and end of each braid that we will go over in the workshop. **Feel free to set aside to do in person if you're unsure.** Just make sure you have the required segments put aside:

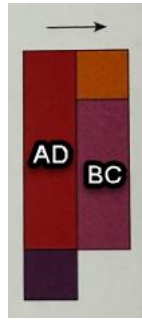
1. Randomly select 12 AD segments and cut off a 2" square from each and discard
 - label E
2. Randomly select 12 more AD segments and cut 6" off the end of each
 - label the AD end (the shorter end) F
 - from the 4 of the 6-inch pieces, cut a 2 1/2" square
 - label the squares G (discard the leftover scrap)
3. Randomly select 4 BC segments and cut off a 2" square from each and discard
 - label H

For some bonus sewing if you are really eager to get your braids done in the workshop, you can also prep the following:

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1. Select 40 AD segments and 40 BC segments and sew them together like this, label J:



2. Select 36 AD segments and 36 BC segments and sew them together like this, label K:

