# The Cheer You Up Projects

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## **Making The Blocks**

## Block 1

A: 7" x 3" (17.7 x 7.6 cm)
B: 7" x 7" (17.7 x 17.7 cm)
C: 9 1/2" x 3 (24.1 x 7.6 cm)

sew with 1/4" (6mm) seam allowance

Finished Block 9 1/2" (24.1cm) square



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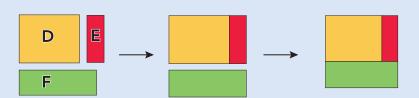
#### Block 2

D: 5" x 4" (12.6 x 10 cm) E: 1 1/2" x 4" (3.8 x 10 cm)

F: 6" x 2 1/2" (15.2 x 6.4 cm)

sew with 1/4" (6mm) seam allowance

Finished Block 6" (15.2cm) square



## Project 1 - The Trivet/ Potholder

Finished measurements approx. 8 3/4" x 8 3/4" (22.1 x 22.1 cm)

You will need:

1x Block 1

Cotton Batting 11" x 11" (28 x 28cm)
Insulated Batting 11" x 11" (28 x 28 cm)
Lining Fabric 9 1/2" x 9 1/2" (24.1 x 24.1 cm)
Hanging Loop 4" x 2" (10.5 cm)
Basic sewing and quilting notions

Seam allowances are 3/8" (1cm) unless otherwise stated



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#### **Brief Directions**

(please refer to the video tutorial for more detailed demonstration)

- 1. Layer the following: insulated batting (bottom), cotton batting (middle), and Block 1 (top) wrong side down.
- 2. Quilt as desired, then trim excess batting.
- 3. Sew the hanging loop, then attach that to the top right corner of the main fabric.
- 4. Lay the main fabric and the lining fabric right sides together, then sew all around, leave about 4" (10 cm) of opening.
- 5. Turn the fabric in side out, through the opening hole
- 6. Fold the opening towards the wrong side about 3/8", pin/ clip in place, then topstitch with 1/8 (3mm) of seam allowance.

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## **Project 2 - The Mug Rug**

Finished measurements approx. 10 3/4" x 5 1/4" (27.2 x 13.2 cm)

You will need:

2x Block 2 Fusible Fleece 10 1/2" x 5" (26.7 x 12.7 cm) Lining Fabric 11 1/2" x 6" (29.2 x 15.2 cm) Basic sewing notions

Seam allowances are 3/8" (1cm) unless otherwise stated



#### **Brief Directions**

1. Lay out the blocks next to each other in random manner, then sew them together with 1/4" (6mm) of seam allowance



- 2. Fuse the fusible fleece to the wrong side of the main fabric (center the position)
- 3. Lay the main fabric and the lining fabric right sides together, then sew all around leaving about 4" (10cm) of opening.
- 4. Turn the fabric inside out through the opening hole.
- 5. Fold the opening towards the wrong side, pin/clip to hold the fold, then topstitch all around with 1/8" (3mm) of seam allowance

## **Project 3 - The Drawstring Bag**

Finished measurements approx. 8 1/2" x 8 1/2" 8 1/2" (21.6 x 21.6 x 21.6 cm)

You will need:

4x Block 1

 $6x\ 9\ 1/2''\ (24.1cm)$  fabric squares (1 for the bottom external, and  $5x\ for\ lining)$ 

5x cotton batting 11" x 11" ( $28 \times 28$ cm)

4x fabric rectangles  $5\text{\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}}}\ x\ 3\text{\ensuremath{^{\prime\prime}}}\ (12.7\ x\ 7.6\text{cm})$  for the drawstring tabs

Double fold bias tape 1/2" wide, cut two strips 40" (102 cm) long

Basic sewing and quilting notions

Seam allowances are 3/8" (1cm) unless otherwise stated

#### **Brief Directions**

(please refer to the video tutorial for more detailed demonstration)

- 1. Layer Block 1 (all 4 pieces) and the exterior bottom fabric with batting, quilt as desired.
- 2. Sew the drawstring tabs, attach to the top center of all Block 1 pieces.
- 3. Sew the long edges of the bias tape with 1/8" (3mm) of seam allowance
- 4. Sew the bag exterior pieces.
- 5. Sew the lining pieces, leaving about 4" (10 cm) opening at the bottom.
- 6. Assemble the bag
- 7. Turn the bag inside out through the opening hole, topstitch the top edges with 1/8" (3mm) of seam allowance.
- 8. Sew the opening hole close.
- 9. Thread the drawstring straps, make a knot at both ends, and you are done!

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## **Project 4 - The Tote Bag**

Finished measurements approx. 16"  $\times$  13 1/2"  $\times$  5" (40.6  $\times$  34.3  $\times$  12.7 cm)

## Fabrics, interfacing, cutting

18x Block 2

Fusible Fleece: 16" x 16" (40.6 x 40.6cm) cut 2x

Straps : 26" x 4" (66 x 10 cm) cut 2x

Fusible woven interfacing: 26" x 2" (66 x 5cm) cut 2x

Lining Fabric : 17" x 17" (43.2 x 43.2 cm) cut 2x Slip pockets: 17" x 8 1/2" (43.2 x 21.6) cut 2x

Zipper Pocket: 10" x 17" (25.4 x 43.2 cm) Fusible woven interfacing 9" x 2" (23 x 5cm)

#### **Other Supplies**

1 set of magnetic snap closure

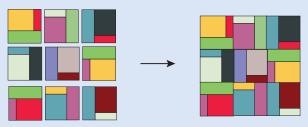
1 all purpose zipper at least 9" (23cm) long

Seam allowances are 3/8" (1cm) unless otherwise stated

#### **Brief Directions**

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1. Randomly lay out 9 blocks in 3 rows and 3 columns for each the front and the back exterior, then sew them together with 1/4" (6mm) of seam allowance.



make 2x (1 front, 1 back exterior)

- 2. Apply Fusible Fleece to the front and back exterior pieces (center the position), then quilt as desired.
- 3. Sew the straps, then install them to the exterior pieces.
- 4. Sew the slip pocket pieces with 1/4" of seam allowance, install to the front lining piece.
- 5. Sew and install the zipper pocket to the back lining piece
- 6. Install the magnetic snap closure
- 7. Sew the bag exterior pieces, box the corners.
- 8. Sew the lining pieces, box the corners, leave about  $5^{\prime\prime}$  (12cm) of opening at the bottom.
- 9. Assemble the bag.
- 10. Sew the opening hole close. Finish the bag with topstitching.

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