

Border Guide Christmas Wreaths

Janome sewing machine/accessories:

- Any top-loading machine with decorative stitches
- Border guide foot*
- 3-way cording foot* (*optional on some machines)

Fabrics and Notions: (for one large or two small)

- Fabric for wreath
- Green 10 x 110 cm (4" x 43")
- Red 10 x 110 cm (4" x 43")
- Cream 10 x 110 cm (4" x 43")
- Fusible interfacing 30 x 110 cm (12" x 43")
- Polyester fiberfill 150 g (5.5 oz)
- Gold metallic cord/yarn 3.5 m (3-3/4 yd)
- Red ribbons (narrow and wide) 50 cm (20") each
- Gold beads (3 mm, strung) 1 m (40")
- Gold bells x 2



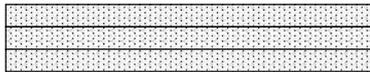
Large
24 x 24 x 7 cm
(9.5" x 9.5" x 2.75")



Small
13 x 13 x 7 cm
(5" x 5" x 2.75")

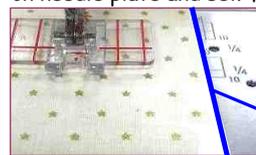
Instructions

1. Fuse interfacing to wrong side of fabrics



Note: To save time, line up fabrics and fuse interfacing to them all at the same time. Cut apart after fusing.

2. Add rows of stitching to red and cream fabrics
 - a. Line up edge of cream fabric with 40 mm guide line on needle plate and sew from one end to the other.

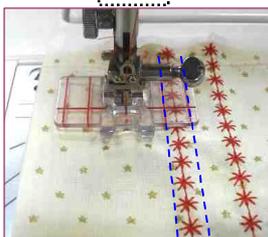
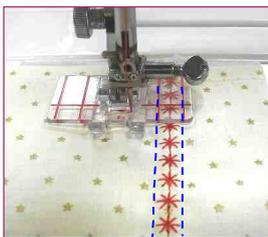


Suggested stitch
40 mm
Thread: red

- b. Line up the row of stitching sewn in a. with the guide lines on the border guide foot and sew a second row. Repeat for a third row.

Thread: red

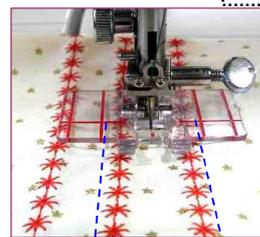
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- c. Line up the first and second rows inside the guide lines and sew a fourth row.

Thread: red

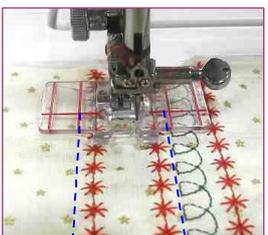
Suggested stitch



- d. Line up the second and third rows inside the guide lines and sew a fifth row, flipping the pattern if your machine allows.

Thread: red

Suggested stitch



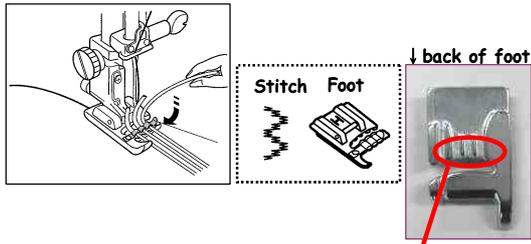
- e. Sew three rows of decorative stitching on the red fabric in the same manner as Steps a. and b. above.

Thread: cream

Suggested stitch



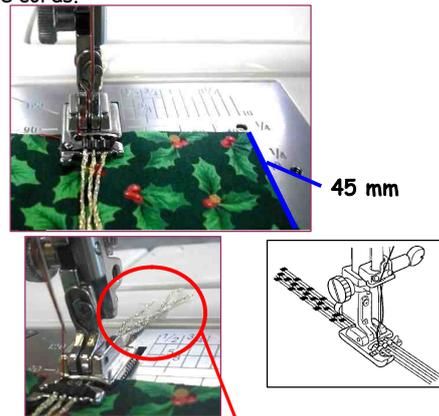
3. a. Cut the gold metallic cord/yarn into three equal lengths and insert under the holder and into the grooves of the cording foot as shown.



Thread: red

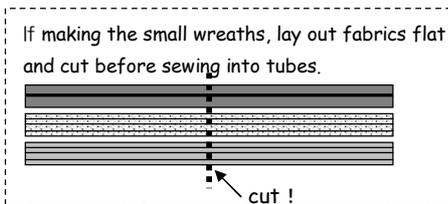
place cords into grooves

- b. Line up edge of green fabric with 45 mm guide line on needle plate and couch the cords.

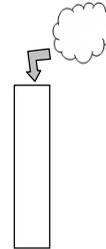


Bring the cords 3-4 cm (1.5-2") to the back to start

4. With right sides together, sew each of the three fabrics into tubes.
Seam allowance: 1 cm (3/8")
Press open seams before turning for neater finish.



5. Turn out tubes and fill with fiberfill.
For best results, only add a little fiberfill at a time and use a ruler to help stuff it.

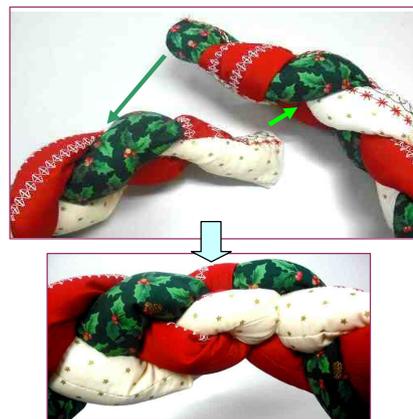


6. Braid the three tubes together.
Holding one end together with a rubber band will make it easier to braid the tubes.

↓ To finish each of the ends
Pin and then blind stitch tube ends.



7. Form into wreath.
↓ To join the ends
Insert one end into the braid of the other and blind stitch at each of the raw ends.



8. Decorate with gold beads, ribbons, and bells

Large wreath

- Thread both bells onto wide ribbon and tie to wreath.
- Loop strand of beads through the wreath, tie ends together and tuck into wreath.)
- Tie narrow ribbon to wreath in a bow.



↑ Threading bell onto ribbon

Small wreaths

- Thread a bell on each of the ribbons and tie to wreath.
- Loop strand of beads around one of the wreaths. Or, if you want to attach to both, thread end of strand into a needle and attach directly to fabric.

