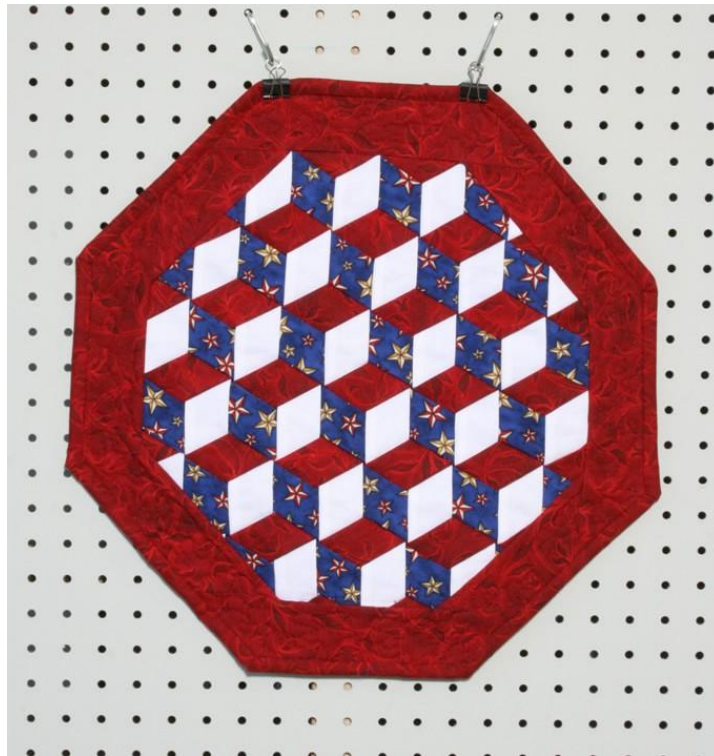


TUMBLING BLOCK STYLE TABLE TOPPER WOVEN AND REVERSABLE



Supply List for 16" Table Topper

1/2 yard each of Dark, Medium and Light fabrics

1/4 yard for Binding

1/4 yard each of two fabrics for Borders

6" x 36" Batting – fusible or regular

18" x 18" Heavy fabric (use as temporary anchor for weaving)

Instructions

1. Cut and prepare the 3" x 18" strips for weaving:

Cut 10 **Light**, 12 **Medium** and 12 **Dark** strips.

Fold each fabric strip in half lengthwise right sides together.

Sew into tubes using 1/4" seam allowance.

Turn tube right side out and press each tube so the seam lies on the edge of the tube.

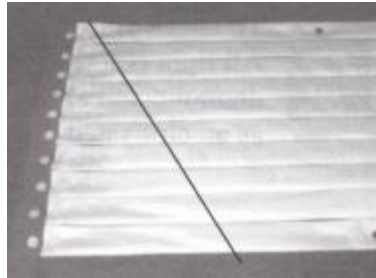
2. Secure the first layer of weaving strips – light fabric:

Place your **light** strips vertically across the base parallel to each other and just barely touching.

Pin each strip on both ends and at top/bottom center to the heavy fabric base.

Place the 60 degree angle line of a long acrylic ruler along the bottom edge of the **light** strips.

Use an erasable fabric pen to draw a line along the long edge of the ruler (top left to bottom edge).



3. Weave the Second Layer – medium fabric:

Using the drawn line as a guide, work from left to right and bottom to top.

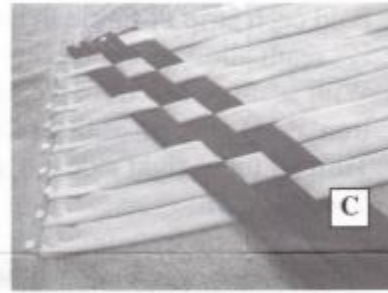
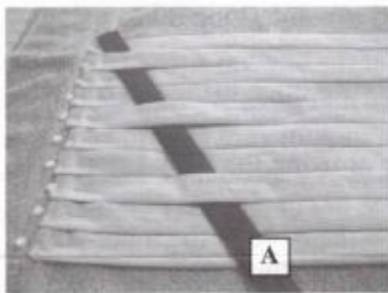
Weave the **medium** set of strips over and under the **light** strips to form diamonds.

Row A – Over two, under one. Repeat to end.

Row B – Over one (one time only), under one, over two. Repeat to end.

Row C – Under one, over two. Repeat to end

Repeat rows A, B and C until you reach the far right end.



Weave the bottom left corner by working the rows backward (C, B, A) from right to left from the first woven strip.

4. Weave the Third Layer – dark fabric:

Work from bottom to top and left to right. The first dark strip should lay on top of medium fabric rows A & B.

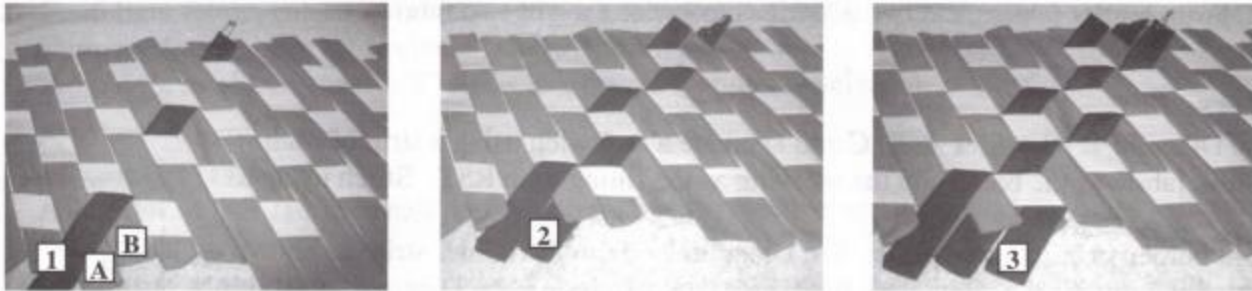
Row 1 – Over one, under two. Repeat to end.

Row 2 – Under one (first time only), over one, under two. Repeat to end.

Row 3 – Under two, over one. Repeat to end

Repeat rows 1, 2 and 3 until you reach the far left end.

Weave the top left corner by working the rows backward (3, 2, 1) from right to left from the first woven strip.



5. Secure and Finish woven rows:

Pin 1/2" away from edge around all outside edges being sure to separate weaving from the base as you pin. Trim into perfect square.

6. Create Octagon Pattern and Final Trimming

Cut a piece of thin paper, interfacing or fabric scrap into a square the same size as your finished woven square. Fold square in half to make rectangle. Fold in half again to make smaller square.

Find the two edges of this square that have folds in them (not raw edges). Fold the square in half to form a triangle with all the folded edges meeting together.

Fold this triangle in half again in the same direction (so all folded edges meet). One side will be taller than the other. Trim protruding edge off and you have a perfect octagon.

Cut your weaving into an octagon. This pattern can be used for multiple sizes by placing an acrylic ruler edge beyond the pattern edge and trim woven square to desired size octagon.

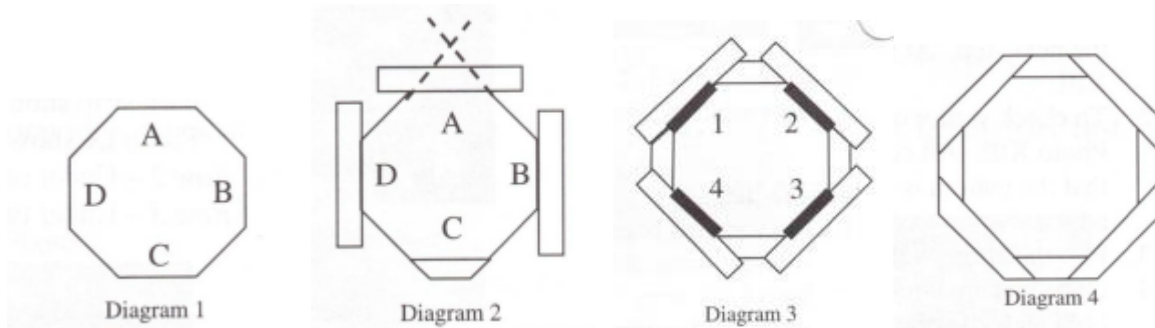
7. Cut Border, Binding and Batting

Border Fabric – Cut two strips 3" x 40"

Binding - Cut two strips 2 1/2" x 40"

Batting – Cut two strips 2 1/4" x 40"

8. Attach Borders:



Create a sandwich on sides A, B, C and D using a strip of each border fabric as the bread and the weaving as the filling. With **RST** – right sides together stitch using a 1/4" seam.

Fold border strips out and press. Trim border strips A, B, C and D as shown by the dotted line example in **Diagram 2 side A**. All four trimmed sides will look like side C in Diagram.

Create a sandwich on sides 1, 2, 3 and 4 with **RST** – right sides together like you did for A, B, C and D. Using a 1/4" seam allowance stitch **ONLY** where border strips meet weaving. **See Diagram 3 bold shading**. Leave the corners loose where the border trips come together.

Sew the loose border strips together separately on all sides. Fold border strips out and press. Trim borders on sides 1-4 to create an octagon. See **Diagram 4**.

9. Batting and Binding

Trim strips of batting to fit borders lengthwise around all eight sides of the project.

Place batting strips between the border strips, butting the edge up to the seam where borders are attached to the weaving. Use the binding method you prefer.