

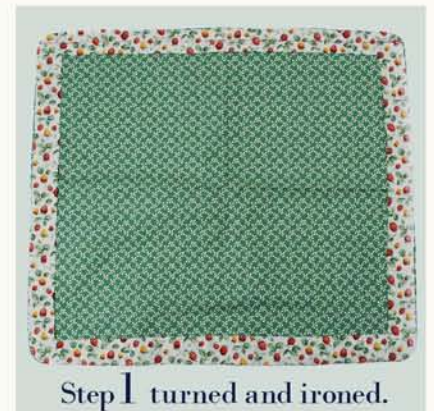
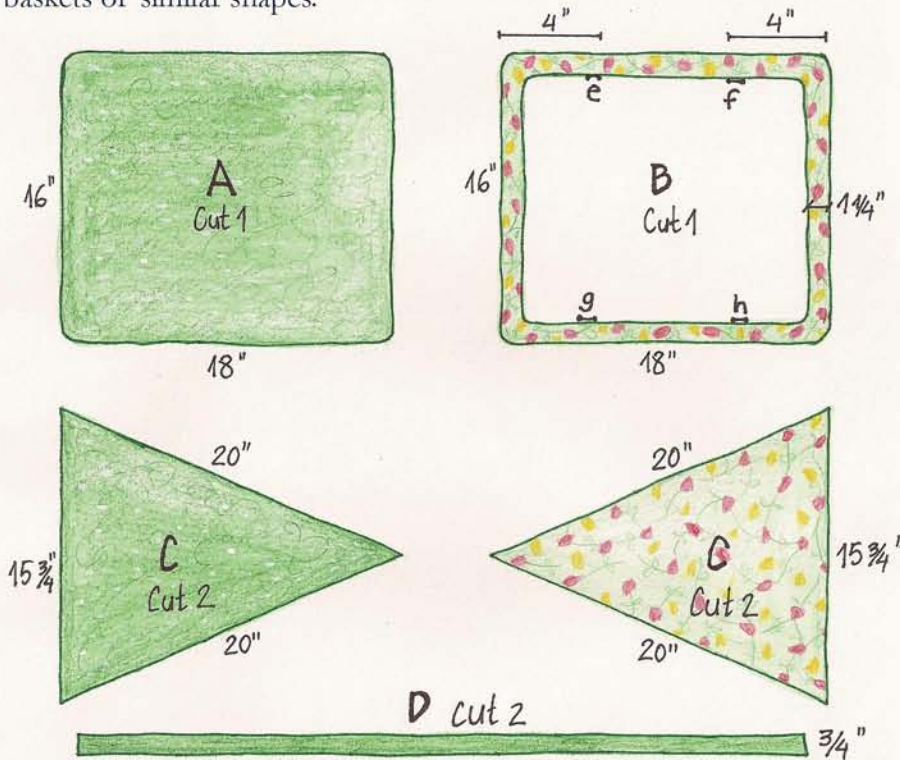


Little Red Riding Hood's Picnic Basket

This beautiful lined basket held by our Little Red Riding Hood in the Summer 08 issue, can be purchased through most craft stores, and measures 8" square at the top and 6" square at the base. This size is commonly called a berry basket. All you need is half a yard of quilt fabric, and another half a yard for contrast. You can enlarge the pattern for lining larger sized baskets of similar shapes.

Pattern

- Note: All seams, sew 1/4" from edge

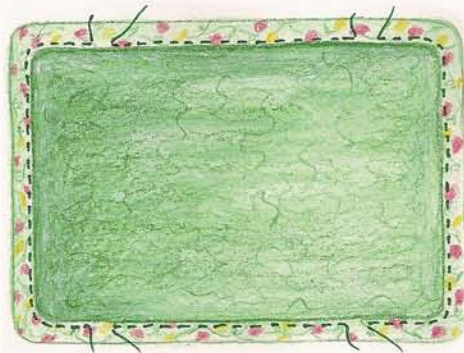


Step 1. Sew piece A to piece B with right sides together, turn back and iron



Step 2. Turn the unfinished edges of B 1/4" inside and baste before stitching to piece A





- Step** 3. Sew or hand-stitch all edges leaving a half-inch opening at the four points e, f, g, and h.



- Step** 4. Fold each piece D lengthwise right sides together and sew edge. Turn around with a chopstick or knitting needle, and finish the ends closed.

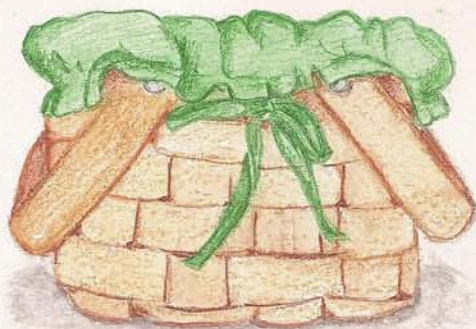


- Step** 5. Place each lace through the loop, one starting at e and ending at g, the other starting at f and ending at h.



- Step** 6. Place elastic throughout the loop, stitch ends together through one of the openings (e, f, g, or h).

- Step** 7. Fit the finished lining over the basket, with the long side on the handle joints..



- Step** 8. Tie the laces together on each side under the handle joints.



How to make the ties:



- Step** 9. Sew lining and contrast with right sides together, leaving a 3" opening at bottom. Turn around, iron and close the openings with a top-stitch. Now you have to double-sided triangles sized 15-1/4" by 19-1/2".



- Step** 10. Once the lining is fitted neatly over the basket and stretched to fit inside, then, take one of the triangle ties and attach to lining with pins. Attach the first triangle tie from e to g (as shown on photo 10a) and the second (to overlap 3") from f to h. Now you can take the lining off and stitch the triangle ties to the lining.



Your basket is ready!
Enjoy!