# In the Meadow Table Runner

38" x 14 1/2"

Create a festive winter scene with this quick and easy table runner. Building snowmen has never been easier!

#### **Fabric Requirements:**

1 1/2 yards of blue fabric for the background and binding
1/4 yard white fabric for blocks and snowmen
Assorted coordinating scraps for snowman accessories
1/2 yard backing fabric
18" x 42" piece of batting
Basting Spray
1/4 yard Steam a Seam 2
1/2 yard Tear Away Appliqué Stabilizer
4 tiny buttons

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Please read through all the instructions before beginning.



Cut out 8 blue and 16 white 2 1/2" squares. Set 6 white squares aside.



Using the squares sew four sets like this.



Sew two sets like this. Press to the blue.





Assemble the strips together to make 2 nine patch blocks like this. Press the seams out.





Cut 6 strips of blue and 1 strip of white that are 2 1/2" and the width of the fabric. Set the white and two blue strips aside. Sub cut the remaining blue strips into 7- 6 1/2" x 2 1/2" and 2- 18 1/2" x 2 1/2" pieces. Set the 18 1/2" pieces aside.



Attach a 6 1/2" blue piece to two sides of each of the nine patch blocks as shown.

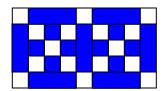




Sew the remaining white 2 1/2" squares to remaining blue 6 1/2" pieces to create sashing. You should have three sets like this. Press the seams in toward the blue.

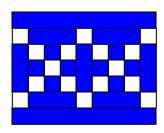


Sew the sashing strips to the nine patch blocks. Press the seams to the sashing.





Sew an 18 1/2" blue border strip to each side of the blocks. Set aside. Press the seams to the blue borders.





From the blue fabric, cut two piece of fabric that are  $10 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 10". Sub cut the white  $2 \frac{1}{2}$ " strip into 4- 10" pieces.

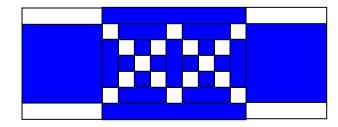


Sew two 10" white strips to each of the blue pieces. You will have two sets. Press the seams to the blue.





Sew the pieces to the center piece. Set aside.





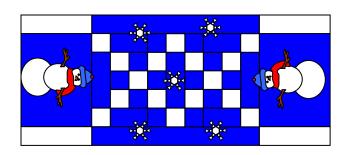
Now is the fun part....Making the snowmen.

You can change or adjust the pieces to make snowmen of your choosing. Here is how I made mine cut a piece of Steam a Seam 2 and a piece of white fabric that is 6" x 23". Peel the paper backing from the Steam a Seam 2. Press it onto the back of the white fabric. Use the templates on the last page to cut out the snowman.

Prepare more Steam a Seam 2 on fabric scraps. To make the other details of the snowman, use the templates on the last page.

For the snow flakes cut a piece of Steam a Seam 2 and a piece of white fabric that is 5" x 25". Peel the paper backing from the Steam a Seam 2. If you don't have a Go! Cutter, follow the Steam a Seam2 instructions then cut out triangles, squares and circles to create a snowflake. Here's link to give you an idea on how to create them. <a href="http://www.makinglearningfun.com/themepages/SnowflakeVisualDiscriminationActivity.htm">http://www.makinglearningfun.com/themepages/SnowflakeVisualDiscriminationActivity.htm</a>

Take the table runner and the pieces to the ironing board. Pull the paper backing off the pieces and put in place as you like. The Steam a Seam allows you to lift and move the pieces until you find a position for the snowman and snowflakes that you like. Once the pieces are where you want, press them with your iron. Now the pieces will not move.





Place a piece of Tear Away Appliqué Stabilizer on the back side of the table runner behind the snowman and snowflakes. You may want to use a spray adhesive product to hold the Tear Away in place. Using a decorative stitch such as a button hole stitch or zig-zag stitch along with thread the color of your choice, machine applique the pieces in place. Remove the excess Tear Away.



Cut a piece of batting and backing fabric that are 18' x 42". Lay the backing wrong side up. Place a batting piece on top of that. Then place the table runner right side up on top of the batting. Adhere the pieces together with basting spray. Machine quilt as desired.



Trim the batting and backing off even with the edges of the table runner.



Using the 2.5" blue strips and the left over strip that were precious cut, bind your table runner.



Sew two little buttons for eyes on each of the snowmen.



### 18 Admire!

Naming a pattern is always the hardest part for me... The name "In the Meadow", came to me while I was cutting the snowman. I was thinking about building snowmen and immediately the song "Let it Snow" came to mind. I hope you have fun "building snowmen" " in the meadow", as I did. This is my kind of snowman building...no jackets and no boots required!

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