

# Quick Placemats

## Materials:

- 1 – 12 ½” x 18 ½” fabric for backing
- 1 - 12 ½” x 18 ½” batting
- 1 - 9 ½” x 12 ½” focus fabric
- 2 – 2” x 12 ½” accent fabric #1
- 2 – 3 ½” x 12 ½” accent fabric #2
- 2 – 2 ¼” x WOF of a coordinating fabric for the binding

## Instructions:

1. Spray baste the backing and batting together. Find and mark the center along both sides.
2. Find and mark the center of the focus fabric on both sides. Align the centers of all pieces and pin in place.
3. Put accent #1 on each side of the focus fabric – right sides together. Stitch through all layers. Fold accents pieces out and press.
4. Put accent #2 on each end of the stitched unit – right sides together. Stitch through all layers. Fold accent pieces out and press.
5. Optional: Quilt the focus fabric to better hold it in place.
6. Trim the stitched placemat to 12” x 18”.
7. Using your preferred method, stitch on the binding..

## Notes:

- You may vary the number, width, location, and/or direction of the accent fabrics.
- Use one or more orphan blocks in place of the focus fabric. You may need to add borders on the top and bottom to get the size you want.
- To self-bind the placemat cut the backing 2” bigger on all sides. Then follow the instructions you can find on either YouTube or Pinterest to fold the backing over the front and create a self-binding. One good video is at [diyjoy.com](http://diyjoy.com) – How to Make a Self-Binding Quilted Placemat.

