

Christmas Tree & Wreath Applique Rag Quilt Pattern 011

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Please read all pattern instructions and my eight page Rag Quilting Basics BEFORE beginning your rag quilt project. You can download the Basics at no extra charge from the website above. The Basics are based upon my experience with rag quilting that help you find short cuts that will make your rag quilting experience easier—especially if this is a new area of crafting for you. Refer to the Rag Quilting Basics if you have any questions. Of course, if you cannot find the answers in the Basics, feel free to email us with your questions. Your finished quilt should be about 56" X 63". However, we all quilt differently so your quilt may be smaller or larger because of this. You can find out how to make smaller and larger quilts by reading the **Machine Sewing, Quilting, Trimming, & Clipping** section of the Basics. Look for the HINTS. Enjoy!





Supplies for trees

1 ½ yard light Christmas print = X squares

1 ½ yard dark Christmas print = O squares

1 1/3 yard natural homespun to add appliqués to = A squares

1 yard green/natural plaid homespun for the large tree appliqués

3 or 4 fat quarters of other green/natural homespuns for the small tree appliqués

Scrap brown calico or homespun for tree trunks

4 yards ivory or cream flannel for backing

Full size batting

600 yards of **cream** All Purpose thread

300 yards of **green** All Purpose thread

300 yards **brown** All Purpose thread

Cutting & tracing tools: See Basics



Supplies for wreaths & bows

- 1 ½ yard light Christmas print = X squares
- 1 ½ yard dark Christmas print = O squares
- 1 1/3 yard natural homespun to add appliqués to = A squares
- ½ yard each of 3 or 4 different green/natural plaid homespun for the wreath appliqués
- 3 or 4 different fat quarters of red/natural homespuns for the bow appliqués
- 2 ½” yards ivory or cream flannel for backing
- Full size batting
- Optional various red buttons (I used 110 buttons on the one pictured)
- 600 yards of **cream** All Purpose thread
- 300 yards of **green** All Purpose thread
- Cutting & tracing tools: See Basics

Cutting fabric and batting for quilt

- Cut all fabric into 8” X 8” squares
- Cut 24 squares from fabric X
- Cut 27 squares from fabric O
- Cut 21 squares from fabric A. You will attach your tree or wreath appliqués to these. **See appliqué cutting tips below**
- Cut 72 squares from the flannel backing
- Cut 72 squares from batting according to the style rag quilt you will make. See **Different Rag Quilting Techniques** in The Basics.
- Trace and cut 21 tree or wreath appliqués from the appliqué fabrics using the patterns provided. Cut a few of the patterns at different angles to get a different look for some of the appliques. Some of the patterns will run vertically and horizontally while a few will run diagonally. Remember to double your fabric so you’ll have 2 trees or wreaths & bows per appliqué. This adds fullness after you snip. See sample tree appliqué drawings below to properly trace your trees onto fabric so that you don’t waste any fabric.

Appliquing & Quilting

Set out the front fabrics—X, O, A---according to the layout provided below. Place row tags on the 1st square in each row. You will have 9 rows with 8 squares in each row. Behind each front fabric, place the batting, then the flannel behind it. Be sure the right sides are facing outward. The right sides are the print side of the cotton and the fuzzy side of the flannel. Pin each stack of squares (front, batting, flannel) together using 2 pins, one at the top and one at the bottom of each stack.

Christmas tree appliqués

Sew the Large tree appliqués onto all the natural homespun squares with green thread. Then sew all the small tree appliqué pieces on top of the large tree appliqués with green thread again. Last, sew on all the trunks beneath the trees with brown thread. **Clip the appliqués before sewing the rows together.** Quilt the traditional X onto the other squares. Use your cream thread for X's.

Optional button placements

Remove the flannel backing only and hand sew buttons onto each wreath. Be sure to leave enough room for sewing around the wreath. Replace flannel backing.

Wreath & Bow appliqués

Sew the wreath appliqués onto all the natural homespun squares with green thread. Then sew all the bow appliqués on with red thread. **Clip the appliqués before sewing the rows together.** Quilt the traditional X onto the other squares. Use your cream thread for X's.

Making the rows

Sew the top 8 squares together to form the top row. Continue with the remaining 8 rows. Then connect the rows by lining up the seams of the squares in each row. Remember to keep all edges trimmed of excess batting and fabric as you go. Clip the edges. Refer to the **Machine Sewing, Quilting, Trimming, & Clipping** in the Basics if necessary.

Washing and Drying

Wash your quilt on the gentle cycle in cold water. Dry on the lowest setting. Refer to the Basics for additional instructions for the lint and shedding this will create and how to handle it. If you want you can wait and wash with your pillow (before stuffing).

Congratulations! You have a new homemade appliqué rag quilt. Thanks so much for using our pattern. If you have any questions, please email us at the address given above. Please do not resell our patterns without permission. If you desire to sell our e-patterns from your website, email me so we can work out an agreement. Please do not share our patterns. Our patterns are very affordable so that everyone can purchase them. If you use our patterns to produce items to sell, we would appreciate receiving credit for the design. Thanks for purchasing our patterns.

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Christmas Wreath & Tree

Applique Rag Quilt Layout

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X	O	A	X	O	A	X	O
O	X	O	A	X	O	A	X
A	O	X	O	A	X	O	A
X	A	O	X	O	A	X	O
O	X	A	O	X	O	A	X
A	O	X	A	O	X	O	A
X	A	O	X	A	O	X	O
O	X	A	O	X	A	O	X
A	O	X	A	O	X	A	O

trace layout
for Large
trees



trace layout
for Small tree
sections

 tree tops

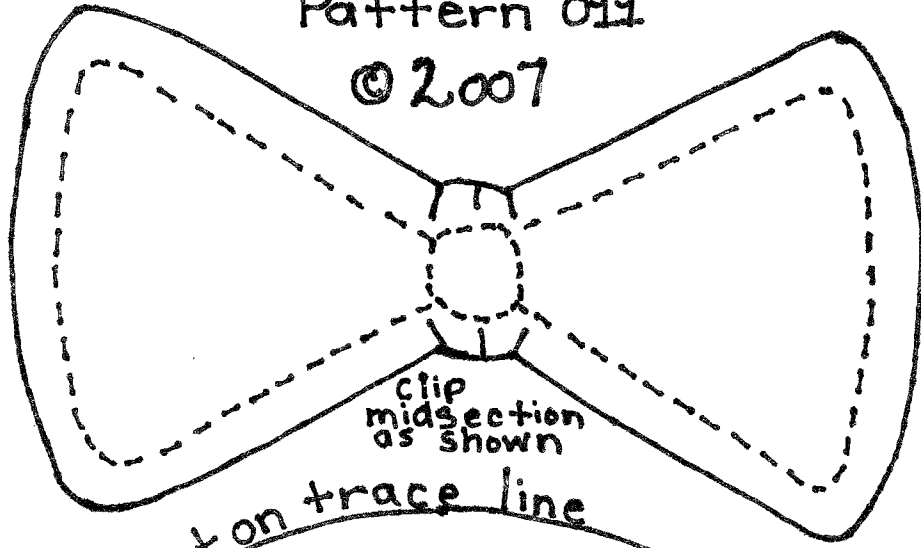


tree midSection
& bottom

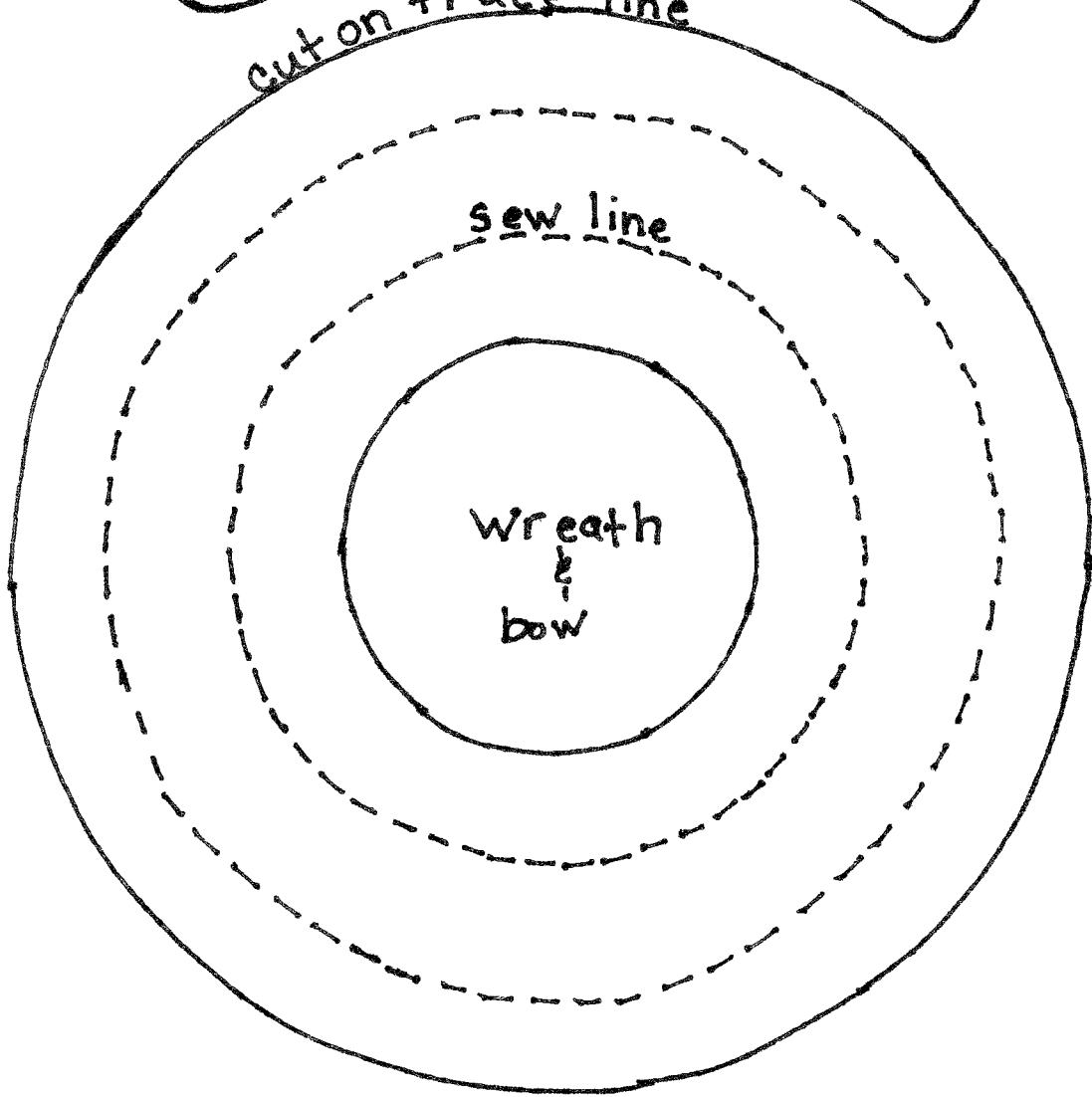
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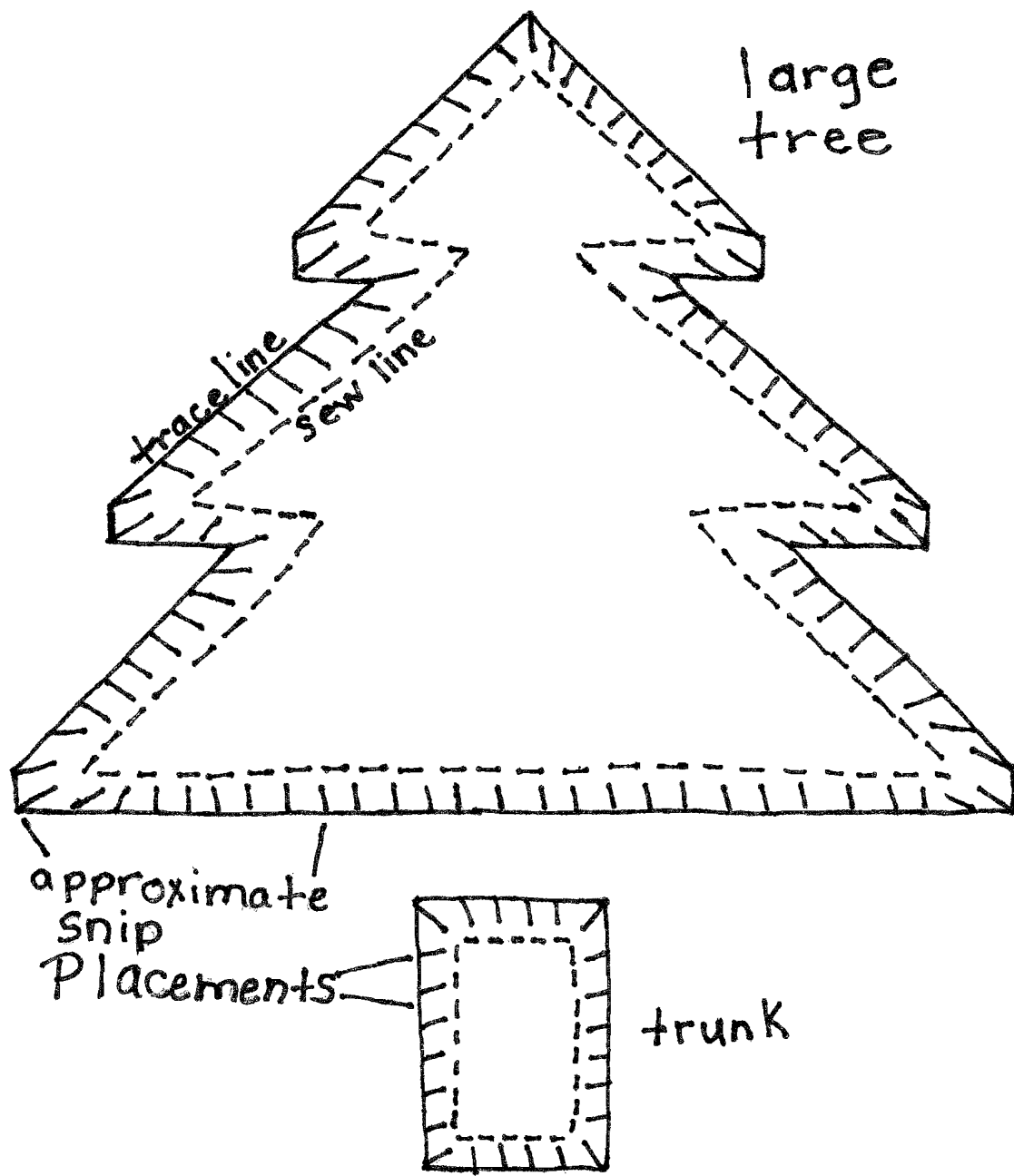
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cut on trace line

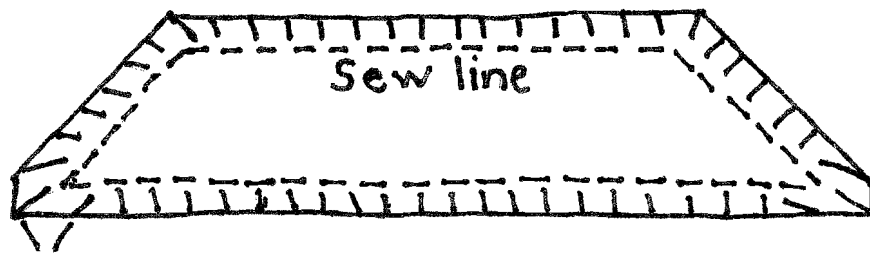
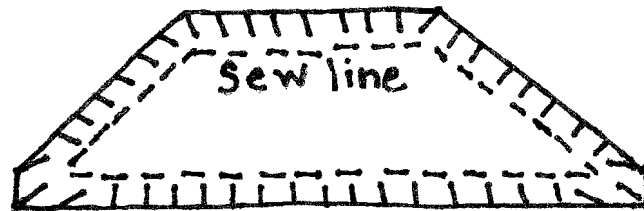




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Large Applique
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Small tree sections



Pay close attention to corner snips so that they are slightly angled

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Christmas Tree Appliqué Small
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