



Halloween Runner

Technique:	Sewing, Quilting
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Skill Level:	Intermediate
Crafting Time:	Weekend
Finished size:	12½" x 40½" (31.75cm x 102.87cm)

Featuring Coats Dual Duty XP®

Add some pumpkin pizzazz to your holiday décor with this pieced table runner. Whether you use scraps from your quilting stash or yardage, it's a fun combo of Halloween spirit.

Supplies

- Coats Dual Duty XP® All-purpose Thread
- Coats® Cotton Machine Quilting thread
- Assorted scraps of orange prints OR ¼ yd (11.43cm) cuts of assorted orange prints
- ¾ yd (57.15cm) black background fabric (includes binding)
- 5" (12.70cm) square green fabric, for stems
- ¾ yd (80.01cm) backing fabric
- ½ yd (45.72cm) batting

Cutting

From assorted orange print fabrics, cut:

(67) 2½" (6.35cm) squares

(4) 2⅞" (7.30cm) squares

From black background fabric, cut:

(4) 2⅞" (7.30cm) squares

(2) 2½" x 10½" (6.35cm x 26.67cm) strips, for pumpkin bottom borders

(4) 2½" x 5" (6.35cm x 2.70cm) strips, for stem section

(2) 1½" x 12½" (3.81cm x 31.75cm), for center side borders

(2) 1½" x 14½" (3.81cm x 36.83cm), for center top/bottom borders

(3) 2½" x width-of-fabric (WOF) strips, for binding

From green fabric, cut:

(2) 1½" x 2½" (3.81cm x 6.35cm) strips, for stems

From backing fabric, cut:

(2) 15" x WOF (38.10cm) strips

Note: Seam allowances are ¼" (.64cm).

Assemble Pumpkin Blocks

1. For each pumpkin, lay out two rows of five 2½" (6.35cm) orange print squares and two rows of three squares. Sew the squares together in each row and press seams in alternate directions for adjacent rows.
2. Sew the five-square rows together and press the seam in one direction.
3. To make the corners, draw a diagonal line on the wrong side of each 2⅞" (7.30cm) orange square. Place the marked square right sides together with a 2⅞" (7.30cm) black background square. Sew ¼" (.64cm) on each side of the marked line. Cut along the drawn line to make half-square triangle units (HST). Open the triangles and press seams toward the black background. Trim to 2½" (6.35cm) square, if needed.
4. Following the runner photo for orientation, sew a HST to each end of the three-square rows to form the pumpkin corners.
5. Sew a corner row to the top and another to the bottom of the five-square rows. Make two pumpkin blocks.
6. To make the stem, sew a 2½" x 5" (6.35cm x 12.70cm) background strip to each side of the green stem strip. Press seams toward the stem.
7. Sew a stem row to each pieced pumpkin top.
8. Sew a 2½" x 10½" (6.35cm x 26.67cm) black background strip to the lower edge of each pumpkin.

Assemble the Runner Center

1. Lay out thirty-five 2½" (6.35cm) orange squares in five rows of seven blocks each. Sew the squares together in each row, pressing seams in alternate directions for adjacent rows. Sew the rows together, matching adjacent seams. Press seams in one direction.

2. Sew a 1½" x 14½" (3.81cm x 36.83cm) black background strip to the top and another to the bottom of the pieced section. Press seams toward the borders.
3. Sew a 1½" x 12½" (3.81cm x 31.75cm) black background strip to each side of the pieced section. Press seams toward the borders.

Assemble the Runner

1. Lay out a pumpkin block at each end of the pieced center block, with the stems facing the center.
2. Sew a pumpkin block to each end of the center block and press seams toward the borders.
3. Sew the backing strips together end to end and trim to 45" (114.30cm) long.
4. With wrong sides together, layer the backing, batting and runner top.
5. Quilt as desired using cotton machine quilting thread.
6. Trim the backing and batting to match the runner top.

Finishing

1. Sew the binding strips end to end using diagonal seams. Press the binding in half wrong sides together.
2. Place the binding on the right side of the runner matching raw edges. Sew in place, mitering the corners.
3. Turn the binding to the runner underside and hand-stitch the folded edge to the backing.

