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“M” IS FOR MITER

Learn how to miter corners while making the “M” page.

Supplies

- 8½” x 9½” linen page backed with an 8” square of interfacing
- Finished stamped word on linen (miter), backed with fusible web
- 4½” square each of cream & periwinkle blue quilting cotton
- Scraps of sage green & periwinkle blue quilting cotton
- Lightweight cotton batting
- “M” is for Miter templates

Prepare

Follow the instructions included with the miter templates to cut out all the pieces needed to construct the “M”.

Using the [M is for Miter Templates](#), cut out the fabric for the M. Stitch the cream border pieces to the sage green pieces (1). Stitch the resulting pieces together (2). Stitch the “M” together along the center of the pieces (3).





Once the inside of the “M” is finished, pin one cream-colored border piece to one corresponding “M” edge with right sides together; stitch beginning and ending $\frac{1}{4}$ ” from the edge. Repeat to stitch the sides. When each cream border piece is attached, fold the four corners in half individually, and then stitch the border piece corners together to create the miter. Press open the seams (4).

Repeat to finish the square using the blue border pieces (5).

Trim the square edges. Cut out a piece of lightweight cotton batting to match the final size of the mitered “M”.

Refer to [Letter Page Orientation List](#) to



determine the 1” linen overhang placement should be. Fold the linen overhang toward the wrong side temporarily to center the letter and word. Center the finished “M” over the batting; pin.

Center the stamped word, “miter”, underneath the mitered “M” on the page and fuse to the page using a hot dry iron. Machine baste the “M” to the page.

Shorten the stitch length to 1.2 mm and width to 1.5mm; zigzag stitch the miter box perimeter.

Topstitch the stamped word to the page, and then use a pin or seam ripper to gently pull the threads from the linen to fray the fabric edges up to the stitching around the word. ➤