

Twelve Days of Christmas Stocking Tutorial

This tutorial uses the Pear motif from the Partridge block and is based on a tutorial I published on my blog in 2016

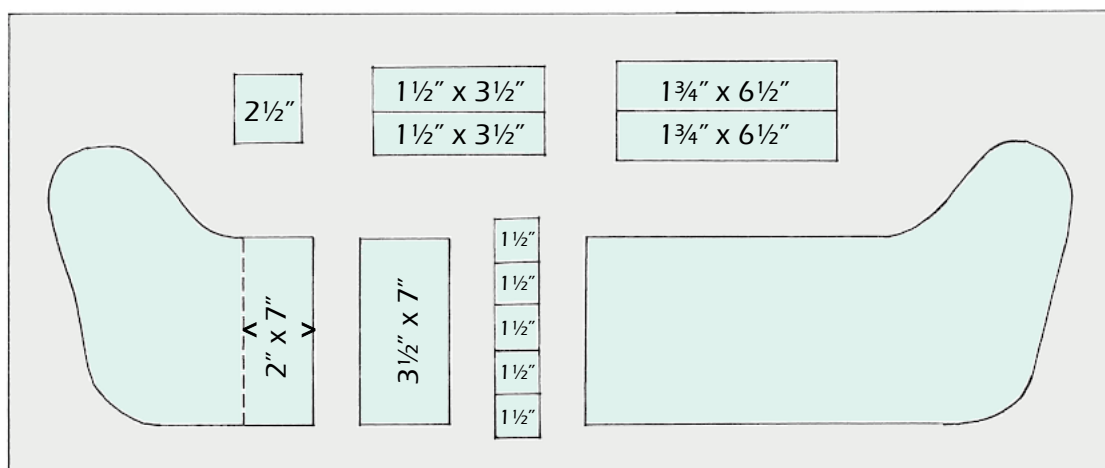
You will need...

- 1 3½" x 4½" piece and 1 2½" square of pear fabric
- 1 1½" x 2½" piece of leaf fabric
- ½ yd fabric for the outer
- ½ yd lining fabric
- 2 8½" x 18½" pieces of fusible batting
- 4½" piece of ribbon (for the hanger)
- Stocking Foot template (at the end of this pattern)
- Washable pen/chalk pencil to draw around the template

To prepare the template you will need to add the 'leg' of the stocking to the 'foot' - as shown on the template - by cutting a 7" x 11½" rectangle from A4 paper, then sticky-taping the two pieces together. I then folded over the top of my template by ½" when I cut my outer back piece.

Cutting...

1. From the outer fabric cut as shown, below:-



{The diagram also shows the background pieces for the Pear block are cut from the same piece of fabric. Note the 2" x 7" piece added to the 'foot'}

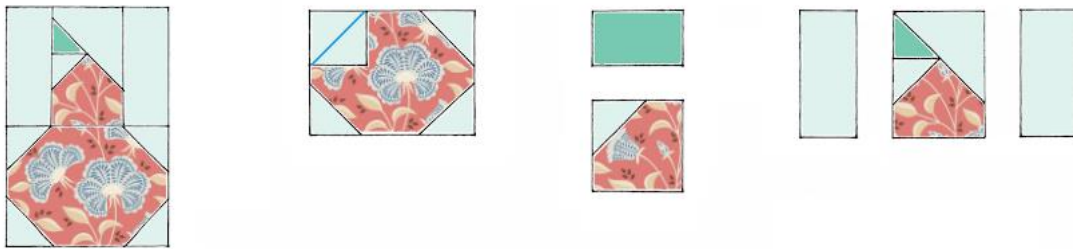
2. From the lining fabric cut as shown, below:-



Please read through the pattern before you begin. Fabric is always placed rights-sides-together and joined with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance unless otherwise noted.

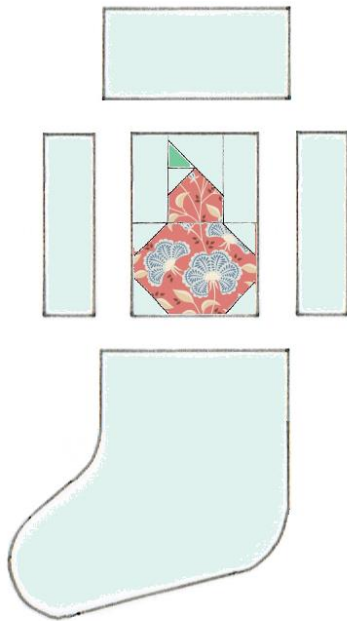
Piecing the Pear...

3. To make the bottom of the pear, mark a diagonal line on the back of $4\frac{1}{2}$ " outer squares and pin, right sides together, to each corner of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x $4\frac{1}{2}$ " pear piece. Stitch on the line - to *snowball* the corner - flip the square 'open' and press the seams towards the pear, trimming away the back layers.



4. Snowball the top left-hand corner of the $2\frac{1}{2}$ " pear square with a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " outer square. Then join the $\frac{1}{2}$ " x $2\frac{1}{2}$ " leaf piece to the top, pressing towards the green.

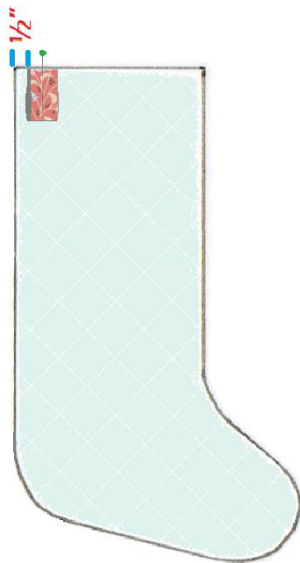
Next, join a $1\frac{1}{2}$ " x $3\frac{1}{2}$ " outer piece to each side, pressing towards the outer, before joining the two halves of the pear, pressing the seam open.



Preparing the front of the stocking...

5. Join a $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " outer piece to each side of your Christmas Tree block, pressing away from the tree; then join the $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x 7" outer piece to the top and the outer 'foot' to the bottom, again, pressing away from the tree.

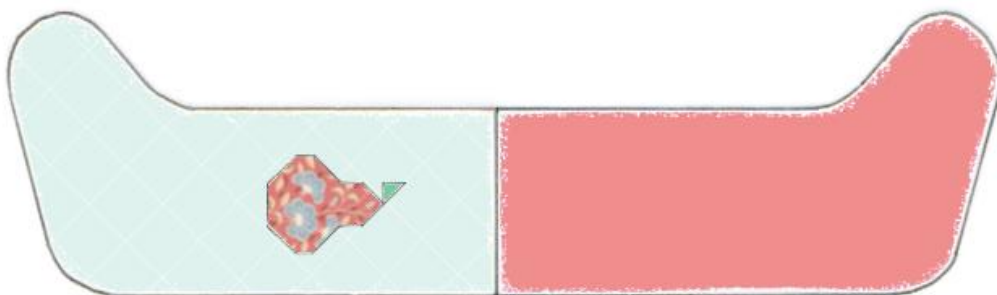
6. Trim your fusible batting to size and fuse to the wrong side of the stocking front and quilt as desired. I chose to outline my pear, then add a simple crosshatch design to the background. Quilt the stocking back in the same way.



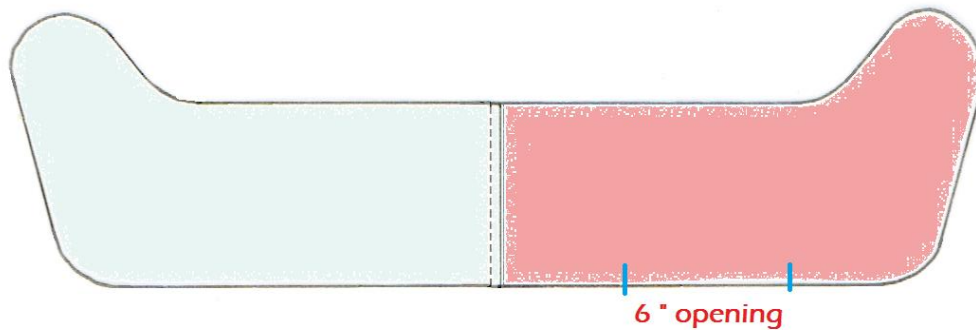
Assembling the Stocking...

7. Lay the quilted back outer, right sides up, and position the piece of ribbon - folded in half - $\frac{1}{2}$ " away from the edge, as shown. Pin or glue baste in place.

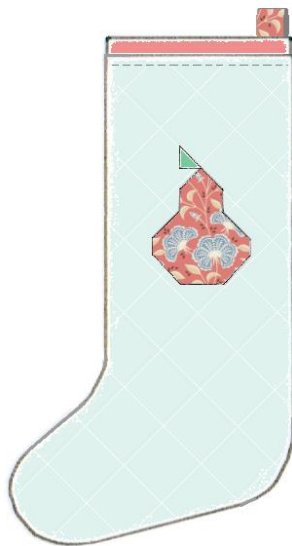
8. Join the lining pieces to the top of the matching outer pieces, pressing towards the lining.



9. Lay out the front and back pieces, right sides together, and pin together, marking a 6" opening in the lining.



10. Sew around the edge, starting and finishing at the opening with a few backstitches. Clip the corners and make little cuts in to the seam allowance around any curves - taking care not to snip through your stitching - then turn right sides out.

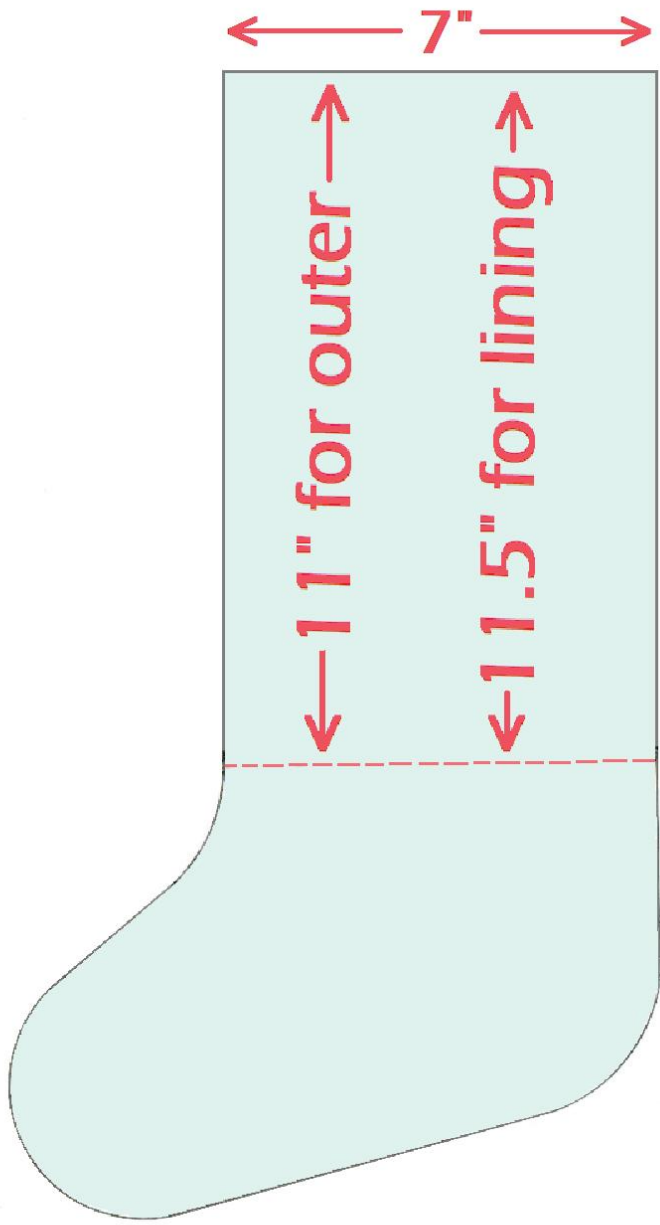


11. Press lightly and slip-stitch or machine-stitch the opening closed and gently push the lining into the outer stocking.
12. Press around the top - your lining should be peeking above the edge - then top-stitch.
13. Fill with treats - no live birds, please - and gift to your true love...

With my warmest wishes for a wonderful Christmas,

Nicola xx

Stocking 'foot' template
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