

Shabby Fabrics

Country Cottages General Instructions

Notes:

Please read all General Instructions and Block Instructions before beginning.

All seam allowances are 1/4".

Each block will finish at 12" x 12". We strongly suggest cutting your background pieces larger and then trimming after embroidery, as the edges will fray significantly with handling.

WOF = Width of Fabric LOF = Length of Fabric

Fabric Requirements:

- A variety of scraps of fabric and wool felt for the applique
- 1 3/4 yards of cream for the backgrounds
- 1/2 yard for the sashing
- 1/3 yard for the inner border
- 1/8 yard for the cornerstones
- 1 2/3 yard for the outer border if cutting down the length, 1 yard if cutting across the width
- 3 1/2 yards for the backing

Other Required Materials:

- 12 - 5/8" cream flower buttons for doorknobs
- Various small buttons for embellishments
- 1 skein each of embroidery floss in variety of colors. For Block 1, you will need Winter White (DMC 3865), Dark Brown (DMC 801), and Black (310). Colors for future blocks will be revealed as they are determined

Recommended Supplies:

- Small, sharp scissors
- Embroidery needles
- Small embroidery hoop
- *Fine point permanent marker or disappearing ink pen (we prefer Micron 005 acid-free fine line pens)
- Light box

For spray starch applique:

- *Hobbico sealing iron
- *Applique stiletto
- *Applique pressing tool
- *Freezer paper (we use C. Jenkins)
- *Stipple brush (we use Loew Cornell Fabric Dye brush)
- *Silk thread in coordinating colors (we use Kimono)
- *Straw needles (we use size 10 or 11)
- Pressing mat (we use June Tailor)
- Heavy spray starch

For fusible applique:

- Fusible webbing (we prefer Heat n Bond Light)
- Thread in coordinating colors

***Denotes supplies available
for purchase on our website.**

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Applique:

We prefer the spray starch method of applique. To learn this method, head to www.youtube.com/ShabbyFabricsUniv to view our video tutorials. The tools necessary for this method are available on our website. We also have a great selection of Kimono silk thread, our preferred thread for applique stitches.

Applique Diagrams:

On the applique diagrams, dashed lines represent fabric that lays behind another piece of fabric. The numbers on the pattern pieces represent the order in which the block should be applied.

Quilt layout:

Below is a general layout of the quilt. Further directions will be included in the Finishing Instructions, downloadable starting in January 2013.

