



SPRING PETALS TABLE TOPPER

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Finished size: 24" wide

The Spring Petals table topper is the perfect way to
decorate a table for Spring.

Fabric Requirements

1 pkg. charm squares OR the following:

- 1 fat 1/8 (9" x 21") each of 4 light fabrics for background, or scraps of 5" squares
- Fabric scraps of blue and pink fabric for petal applique
- 1 fat 1/8 (9" x 21") for side triangles
- 1/4 yard binding
- 7/8 yard backing

Cutting Instructions

- Center background squares: use 16 light charm squares OR cut (16) 5" squares from fat 1/8 fabric.
- Side Triangles: cut (2) 7 1/4" squares, then cut in half once diagonally.

Assembly Instructions (All seams are 1/4")

Table Topper Background:

- Arrange 5" squares into 4 rows of 4 each, alternating colors.
- Sew them into rows. Press seams, alternating directions of each row to create opposing seams (Fig. A)
- Sew the rows together. Press to one side.
- Trim the edges if necessary to make it "square". (Fig. B)

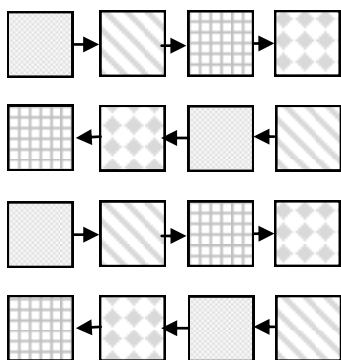


Fig. A

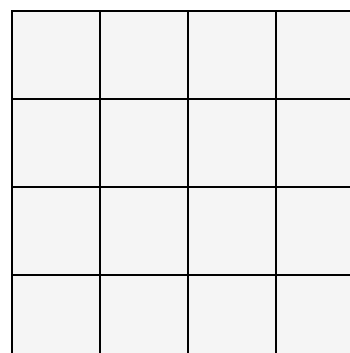


Fig. B

Add corner triangles:

- Find the center of the triangles by folding them in half and marking with a pin.
- Match the center of the triangles to the center of the table topper sides and pin.
- Stitch in place. Press towards the triangle. (Fig. C)

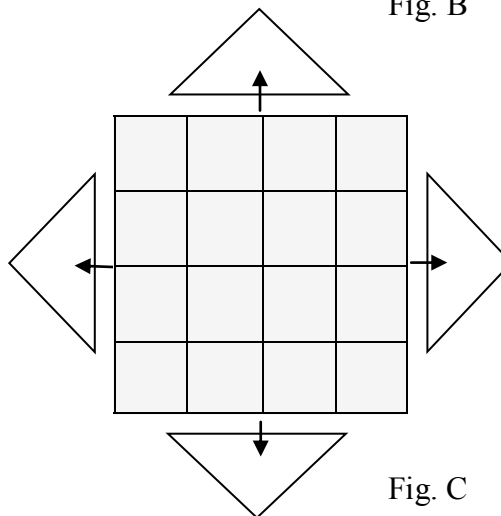


Fig. C

Applique Instructions:

For this project, I used machine applique with fusible web. You can find my tutorial with very detailed instructions for machine applique [here](#). Let me give you a brief description of the steps I used:

1. Print out the Spring Petals Template. Make sure to print it out at actual size (no scaling).
2. Before continuing, check the fit of one petal shape on your table topper background. The tip of each petal should reach the corners of each background square. Make adjustments if necessary.
3. Trace petal pattern onto paper side of the fusible web.
4. Roughly cut out shapes. I like to cut out the center of each “petal” leaving 1/4” around the edges.
5. Press fusible shape to wrong side of petal fabric.
6. Cut out on drawn lines.
7. Remove paper from applique.
8. Arrange petals on background squares as shown in Figure D.
9. Stitch raw edges. I used a narrow zig zag stitch and I used a stabilizer underneath to keep the applique flat and stable. Tear away the stabilizer when the applique stitching is done.
10. Repeat steps 3-7 for circles. Add to the center of each flower and stitch in place. (See Fig. E)

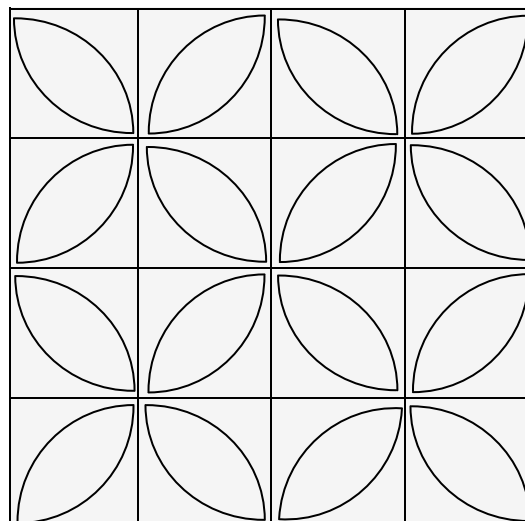


Fig. D

Finishing Instructions:

I used [Pellon Thermolam](#) for the batting. It’s a dense polyester and I like the way it lays really flat and it won’t shrink (so it looks the same after washing).

I used lots of straight line quilting and I left an open channel to echo the curves of the petals.

You can find instructions for binding this table topper at a previous post [here](#). There are a few easy tips for the inside corners that you’ll want to check out.

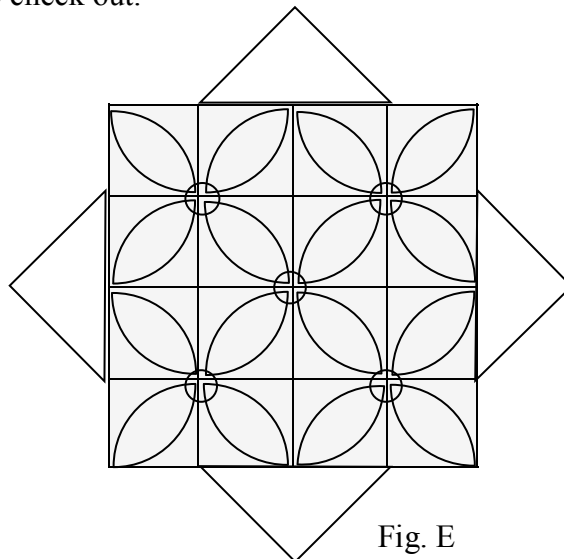
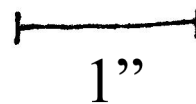
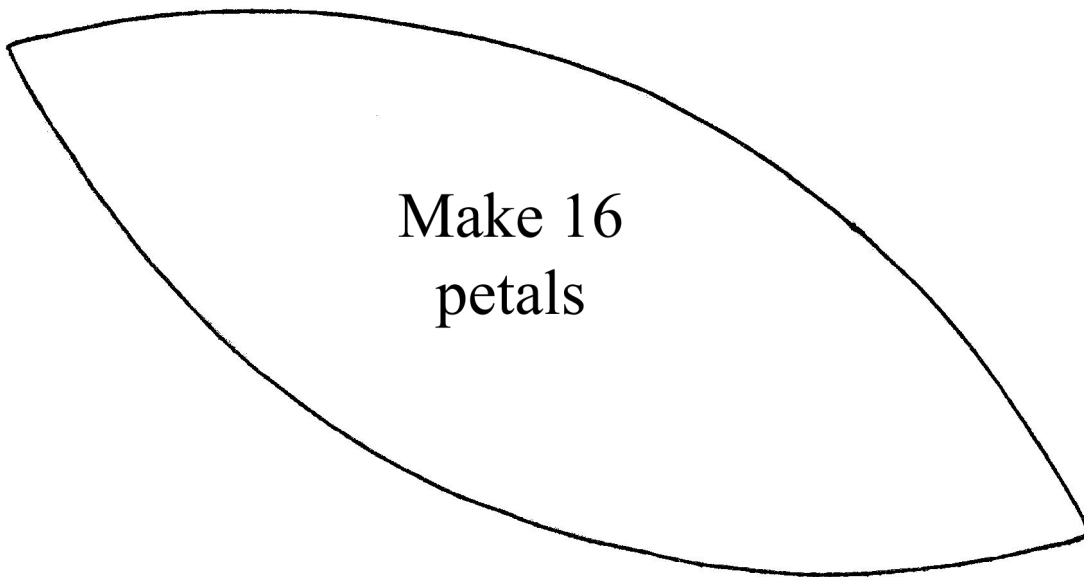
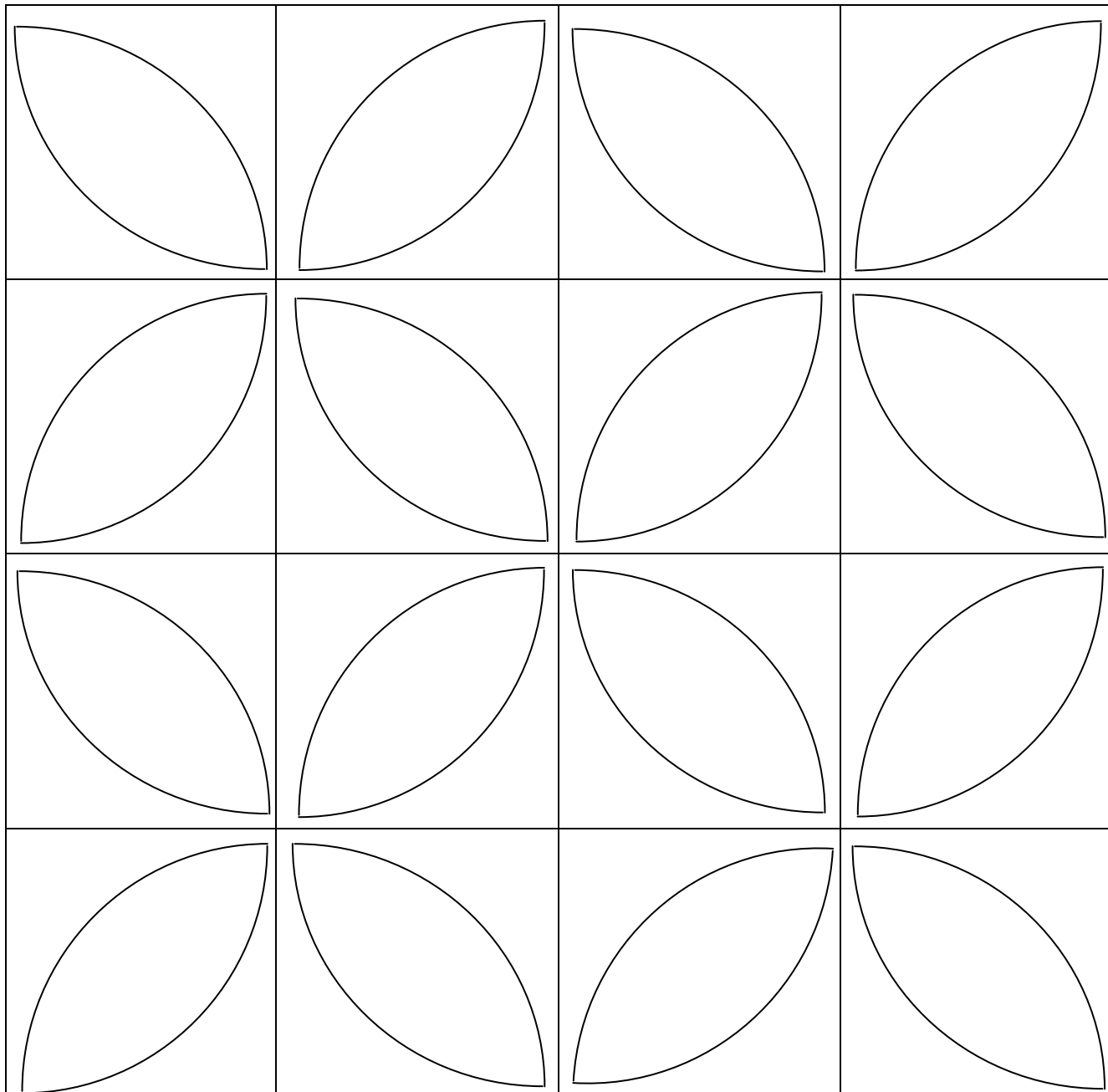


Fig. E

Spring Petals Table Topper

Petal and circle template





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