Button Lover's Club:
ACORN Button Appliqué Pillow

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Acorn Button Appliqué Supplies:

[Button Lover's Club: Words with Buttons](#) (ACORN Box)

Fabric (101 Maple Street by Bunny Hill for Moda shown):

2 ½"x 4½" red print rectangle (A)

4½" white tone on tone (B)

6½" x 1¼" blue print rectangle (C)

6½" x 1¾" dark brown print rectangle (D)
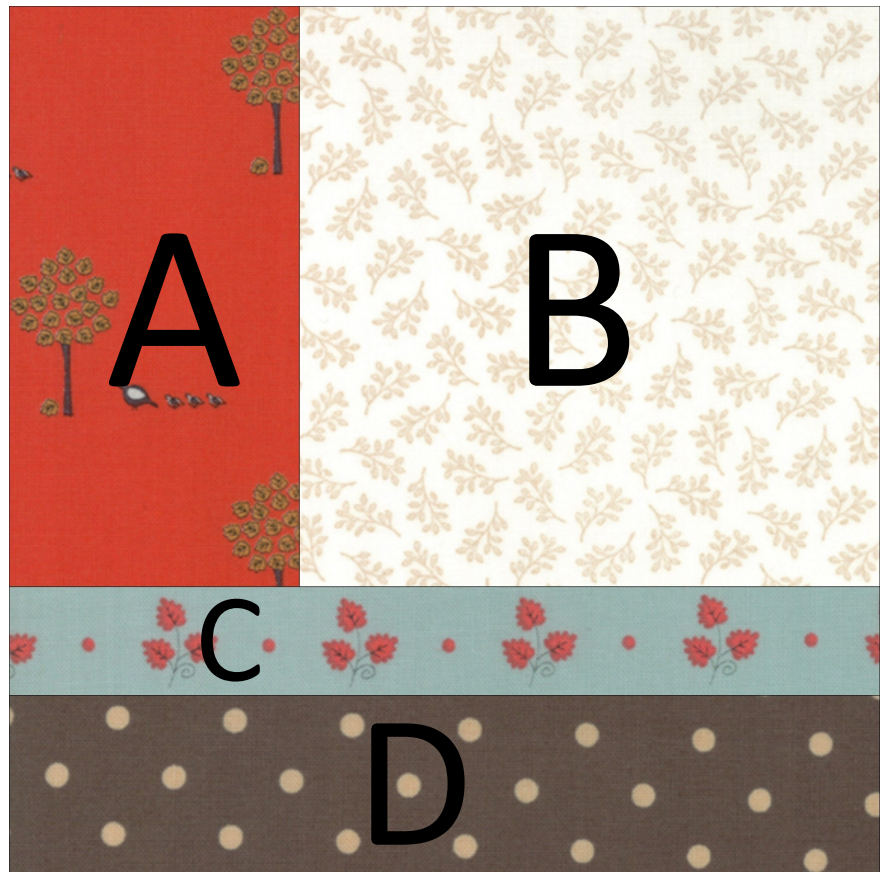
4½" x 4½" ginger solid rectangle (for squirrel)

6½" dark brown square (for backing)

[Sew Lazy Dreamy Fusible Fleece](#) (6½" square)

[Sew Lazy Fusi-bond Lite](#)

[Wool Roving](#) (for stuffing)
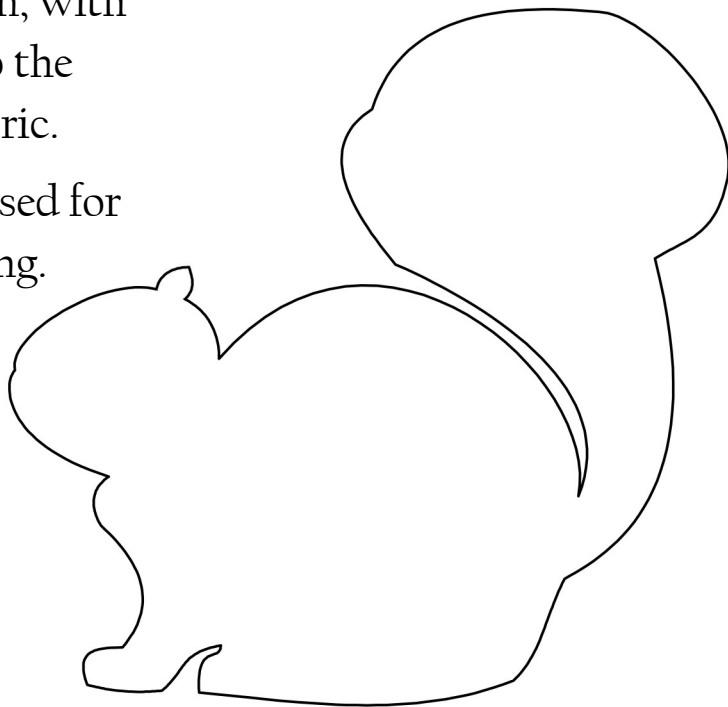
Acorn Button Appliqué Instructions:

1. Trace the squirrel pattern onto Fusi-bond Lite.

2. Following the package directions on the Fusi-bond Lite, iron the traced squirrel onto the wrong side of the ginger fabric.

3. Cut out the squirrel shape on the inside of the traced line and set aside.

4. Pin the red rectangle (A) to the white rectangle (B), right sides together, matching the 4½" edges. Sew along the 4½" edge with a ¼" seam allowance. Press the seam toward A.

5. Pin the blue rectangle (C) to the dark brown rectangle (D), right sides together, matching the 6½" edges. Sew along the 6½" edge with a ¼" seam allowance. Press the seam toward C.

6. Position the top section (A-B) of the block (right side up) with A on the left and B on the right. Line up the bottom edge of the section with the cut edge of the blue rectangle (C) right sides together, matching the 6½" edge. Sew with a ¼" seam allowance. Press the seam toward the C.

7. Press the block and trim to 6½" square.

8. Arrange the squirrel on top of the block. Iron to fuse in place and then applique. We used a straight, machine stitch close to the edge of the shapes.

9. Fuse block to a 6½" square of Dreamy Fusible Fleece.

10. Quilt around the edges of the appliques.

11. Lay the 6½" backing square on top of the 6½" block, right sides together and sew all the way around the square.

12. Use our [Franken-stitch Finish Technique](#) to turn the pillow right-side-out. Make a 2½" diagonal slit in the middle of the backing fabric ONLY.

13. Turn pillow right-side-out through the slit.

14. Stuff pillow.

14. Add more stuffing if desired and whipstitch the slit closed.

15. **Optional**: Add an appliqué shape to cover your stitches.

16. Sew buttons to the squirrel. (See our "Applique with Buttons" post for tips on adding buttons to your squirrel.)

17. Sew the A-C-O-R-N buttons to the blue strip.

Acorn Appliqué Pattern:

Trace shapes onto the paper side of the fusible and then iron, with the shiny side down, to the wrong side of your fabric.

This shape has been reversed for fusible applique tracing.

"I absolutely love this squirrel pattern and I couldn't resist accenting the tail of my squirrel with a curl of buttons. You can do the same OR cover your whole squirrel using our Button Applique technique.

To make my squirrel extra-special, I cut it from hand-dyed wool (Weeks Dye Works—Sweet Potato) but you can use any fabric from your stash!"

Rachel