

Portable Flannel Design Wall

Make your own Portable Flannel Design Wall, either gridded or solid, to aid in planning an artistic, yet accurate, quilted project. Your blocks and other fabric designs cling to the flannel so that you can arrange to your hearts desire...without pins! This portable wall is created with a backing of Quilted Iron Quick, so that if you need to give your design a quick press, you can do so without having to go to your ironing board.

FINISHED SIZE: Approximately 41" x 63"

SUPPLIES:

- 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ yd. Gridded Flannel (57" x 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ ")

Note: The gridded area of the flannel is approximately 54" wide.

OR

- 1 $\frac{7}{8}$ yd. Solid White Flannel (54" x 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ ")
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ yd. (42" x 63") Quilted Iron Quick
- Matching all-purpose thread
- Optional: 4 spools serger thread
- Optional: Velcro® One-Wrap Ties Tape

HELPFUL NOTIONS:

- Rotary cutter, mat, and ruler
- Curved Basting Pins, size 1
- Fray Check™ or FrayBlock™
- Kwik Klip™

Gridded Flannel Portable Design Wall Instructions

1. Cut fabric.

- Gridded Flannel:
 - Cut design wall on gridlines to measure 42" x 63".
 - Cut rod pocket 4" x 42".
- Quilted Iron Quick: Cut Quilted Iron Quick 42" x 63".
- Binding option: Cut four 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " lengthwise strips from remaining gridded flannel.

2. Layer design wall.

- Place silver side of the Quilted Iron Quick facing down on a flat work surface.
- Layer Gridded Flannel over the Quilted Iron Quick, gridded side up.
- Pin with curved basting pins every 4–5 grids apart. Close pins easily with the Kwik Klip™.
- Set up machine for a bartack, and bartack the squares that have the curved safety pins, removing the pins as you come to them.

3. Complete the design wall.

- Turn under $\frac{1}{4}$ " on the short 4" ends of the rod pocket; press.
- Turn under another $\frac{1}{4}$ " on the short ends and edgestitch in position.
- Fold the rod pocket in half lengthwise, wrong sides together.
- Center and pin the raw edges to the wrong side at the top of the Gridded Design Wall.
- Baste the outer edges of the design wall, removing pins as you stitch.
- Finish the edges of the design wall by zigzagging, serging with a 4-thread overlock, or adding binding with your favorite technique. Remove pins as you stitch. Use Fray Check™ or FrayBlock™ to seal thread ends at corners, if serging.

Note: Rod pocket may flip up to hang design wall, or hand stitch the bottom edge in place on the back of the design wall to use as a traditional rod pocket.

- Optional: Cut two or more equal pieces of Velcro® One-Wrap Ties Tape and wrap the strips around the rolled-up design wall to store the design wall or to transport quilt pieces inside the design wall to class.



Solid White Flannel Portable Design Wall Instructions:

1. Cut fabric.
 - Solid White Flannel: Cut 42" x 67" to allow for rod pocket extension.
 - Quilted Iron Quick: Cut Quilted Iron Quick 42" x 63".
2. Layer design wall.
 - Layer the flannel over the Quilted Iron Quick, right sides together, having the 67" length of flannel extend about 4" at the top of the design wall. This extension is folded down to form the rod pocket.
 - Stitch around the sides and bottom of the design wall with a ½" seam allowance, leaving the top open.
 - Trim corners, and turn the design wall right side out, through the top edge.
3. Create rod pocket and complete the design wall.
 - Press under ½" at side edges on the 4" extension, at top of design wall. Fold under ¼" on each side of the rod pocket extension.
 - Fold under ¼" on the top lengthwise edge of the design wall.
 - Edgestitch starting at the top 4" extension and stitch around sides and bottom of the design wall.
 - Fold the extension over the top edge of the design wall; edgestitch the lower edge to form a casing.
 - Bartack the design wall randomly to hold the layers together.
 - Optional: Cut two or more equal pieces of Velcro® One-Wrap Ties Tape and wrap the strips around the rolled-up design wall to store the design wall or to transport quilt pieces inside the design wall to class.