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# COATS

**QUILTED POINSETTIA GARLAND** *Designed by Marie Duncan* 



#### MATERIALS

Dual Duty XP All-purpose Thread Dual Duty Plus Hand Quilting Thread Coats & Clark Cotton Machine Quilting Thread Coats & Clark Button & Craft Thread

## Fabric required:

For EACH flower: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> yard (.11m) of green cotton print <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> yard (.11m) of red cotton print <sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub> yard (.11m) of white cotton print <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> yard (.23m) of black cotton print (enough for seven centers)

## Notions required:

Cotton batting Fasturn Tube Turner Pinking shears



## Featuring Coats & Clark Dual Duty Plus Hand Quilting Thread

Make this poinsettia garland to decorate your home for Christmas. Beautifully hand quilted, our garland has 7 flowers, but make as many as you need to span your mantle or other space.

# **CUTTING**

Leaf/petal template on page 4 From each red print: 10 small leaf/petals for each flower

**From each green print:** 10 large leaf/petals for each flower

# From each white print:

10 large leaf/petals for each flower

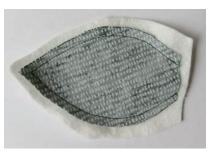
- 1. To cut the leaf/petal, layer the green and white prints folded as they come off the bolt.
- 2. Pin on the first leaf/petal template at an angle as shown, and cut it out.
- 3. Then take the cut leaf/petal and use them as patterns to cut the remainder of the leaf/petal.



# **SEWING**

At the sewing machine....

- 1. Thread with Coats Dual Duty XP all-purpose thread.
- 2. Place two leaf/petals right sides together on top of cotton batting. Stitch around the leaf using a ¼" (.635cm) seam allowance and leaving the bottom section open as indicated on the pattern.





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3. Trim using pinking shears.



4. Turn using your Fasturn Tube Turner. (You won't be able to pull the leaf through the tube, that's ok. Just use it to "skootch" the leaf right side out.)





5. Press.

**Quilt it:** Quilting can be done hand or machine. Start with the red petals first. You will see why, in a bit, we will sandwich the red inside the white during the last step of sewing the white petals.

**By hand:** Thread with needle Dual Duty Plus Hand Quilting thread. Stitch ¼" (.635cm) in from the edge of each leaf with matching thread. Leave the ends raw on the red and white ones, and tuck under the end on the green ones.

**By machine:** Thread with Coats & Clark Cotton Machine Quilting thread. Stitch ¼" (.635cm) in from the edge of each leaf with matching thread. Leave the ends raw on the red and white ones, and tuck under the end on the green ones.



#### JOIN THE FLOWER PARTS.....

1. Place the red petal on top of the white petal and pinch the ends. Stitch through all the layers to secure the end.



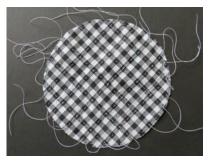
 Pinwheel the leaves as shown, and tack them together to form the base for the flower.



3. Tack the flower five petals together to create the flower. Don't worry about the raw ends in the center, they will be covered by the flower center on top and the finished leaves on the bottom.



- To make the flower centers, cut a 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" (16.51cm) circle using the pattern given on page 5 for each flower.
- Thread a needle with Coats & Clark Button & Craft thread. The glace finish and extra strength of this thread is perfect for the gathering the flower center. Stitch near the edge of the circle, and then stitch a grid spaced approximately 1" (2.54cm) apart. Leave 3-4" (7.62cm – 10.16cm) long thread tails on all threads.





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- 6. Gather the grid stitching first. Then gather the outer circle threads.
- 7. Tie off the threads and cut the ends short, creating the flower center as shown.

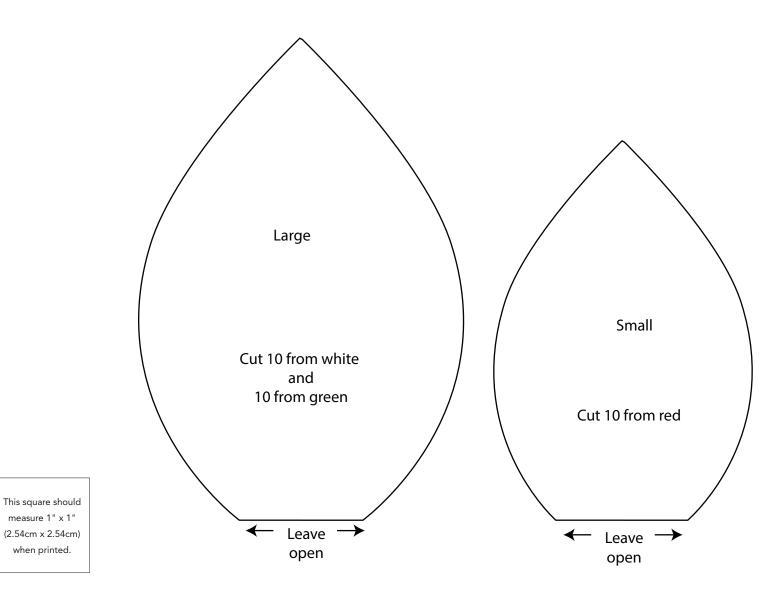


- 8. Tack the flower center in the center of each flower.
- 9. Tack the flower to the leaves.
- 10. Tack the ends of the flower together to create the garland as shown.
- 11. To hang, pin or tack ribbons to the ends and center of your garland. Add more ribbons if needed depending on how your garland hangs.









\*\*\* Measure templates before cutting to confirm printing at 100%\*\*\*



