

# Pop The Cork!

Table Topper by Denise Russell



Table Runner size approximately: 51" x 51"

Featuring fabrics from  
Pop The Cork! by Mercedes Lopez Charro



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Fabric collection by Mercedes Lopez Charro

Save Water Table Topper designed by Denise Russell of Pieced Brain

Skill level: Experienced Beginner • Finished Table Topper Size: approx. 51" x 51"

## Table Topper Yardages:

Fabric A: <b>PTCO 5227 W</b> .....	8 blocks*
Fabric B: <b>PTCO 5230 W</b> .....	1/8 yard
Fabric C: <b>PTCO 5232 P</b> .....	1/8 yard
Fabric D: <b>PTCO 5229 R</b> .....	1/4 yard
Fabric E: <b>PTCO 5230 RR</b> .....	5/8 yard
Fabric F: <b>PTCO 5228 W</b> .....	3 1/4 yards
Backing: <b>PTCO 5229 W suggested</b> .....	3 1/3 yards
Batting .....	59" x 59"

\*3 blocks will be leftover.

## Cutting Instructions:

Please read all instructions carefully before beginning. Strips are cut across the width of fabric (perpendicular to selvages) unless otherwise stated. All seams are sewn with a 1/4" seam unless otherwise stated. Label all pieces.

### From Fabric A:

1. Fussy cut five blocks into 9 1/2" squares, centering the image.

### From Fabric B:

1. Cut one 3 1/2" strip. Sub-cut sixteen 2" x 3 1/2" strips.

### From Fabric C:

1. Cut one 2" strip. Sub-cut four 2" x 6 1/2" strips.

### From Fabric D:

1. Cut four 1 1/2" strips for Border 2.

### From Fabric E:

1. Cut one 2" strip. Sub-cut twenty-one 2" squares.
2. Cut one 3 1/2" strip. Sub-cut four 3 1/2" squares and eleven 2" squares (for a total of 32).
3. Cut six 2 1/2" strips for binding.

### From Fabric F:

1. Fussy cut two 8 1/2" x LOF strips. Sub-cut four 8 1/2" x 58" (approx.) strips for Border 4.
2. From the center, cut:
  - a. two 1 3/4" x LOF strips for Borders 1 and 3
  - b. twelve 2" x 6 1/2" strips for the blocks.

## Piecing Instructions:

1. Sew one 2" x 3 1/2" B strip to opposite sides of one 3 1/2" E square. Press the seams toward the center. Repeat to make four center units. Sew one 2" E square to opposite ends of one 2" x 3 1/2" B strip. Press the seams away from the center. Make eight units. Sew one strip to the top and one to the bottom of the center unit to make four 6 1/2" units (Figure 1). Press the seams open.



Figure 1 **Make 4 blocks.**

2. Sew one 2" x 6 1/2" F strip to opposite sides of the Step 1 units. Press the seams away from the center. Sew one 2" E square to opposite ends of the remaining F strips, as well as the 2" x 6 1/2" C strips. Press the seams away from the center. Sew F strips to the top and C strips to the bottom of each unit to complete four 9 1/2" blocks (Figure 2). Press the seams open.

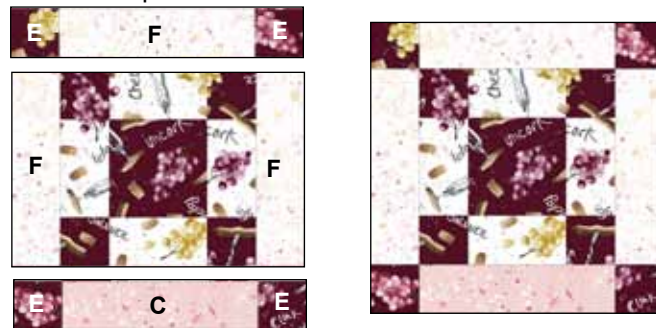


Figure 2 **Make 4 blocks.**

## Quilt Assembly:

1. Referring to the table topper diagram for block placement and orientation, lay out three blocks (including the 9 1/2" A squares) in three rows. Join the blocks and press the seams in opposite directions for each row. Matching adjacent seams, sew the rows together, pressing the seams in one direction.
2. For Border 1, measure the vertical length of the table topper through the center and trim two 1 3/4" F strips to that length. Sew one strip to each side. Measure the width of the topper through the center. Trim two of F

border strips that size and sew one to the top and one to the bottom. Press the seams toward the borders.

3. Repeat Step 2 with the four 1 1/2" D strips to make and add Border 2.
4. Repeat Step 2 with the remaining 1 3/4" F border strips to make and add Border 3.

**NOTE:** New to doing mitred corners? Check out this YouTube video that explains how to do it very clearly: <https://youtu.be/wMWQABZwis8>

5. For border 4, fold each 8 1/2" F border strip in half crosswise; press lightly to mark centers. Fold the table topper center in half in each direction and press lightly to mark the center of each edge. Pin a border strip to the topper, matching the center marks and allowing the excess border strip to extend beyond the corner edges. Sew together, beginning and ending the seam 1/4" from the quilt center's corners. Repeat to sew the other border strips. Press side seams toward the outer border. Press top and bottom seams to center.
6. To miter borders, fold one corner of the table topper at a 45° angle so border strips are directly on top of one another and the seams nest together. Place a rotary

ruler on the fold of the topper so the long edge is against the fold and the 45° line is on the side of the seam. Draw a line from the corner of the topper to the outside edge of the border. Pin the borders together. Position your needle on the inside corner where the border meets the topper. Stitch directly on the line you have drawn to the outside edge of the border. Trim the excess fabric leaving a 1/2" seam allowance, and press. Repeat the process for the remaining three corners.

### Finishing:

1. Prepare backing by sewing two pieces fabric with horizontal seams. Trim to 59" x 59". Press.
2. Layer table topper batting, and backing. Baste layers together.
3. Quilt as desired.
4. Trim layers even with table topper squaring corners.
5. Join six 2 1/2" E binding strips with diagonal seams. Press seams open. Attach binding using your favorite method.
6. Make a label and sew to the back of the table topper.



Table Topper Diagram

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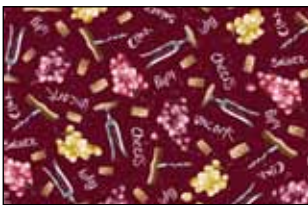
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PTCO 5228 W\*



PTCO 5229 R\*



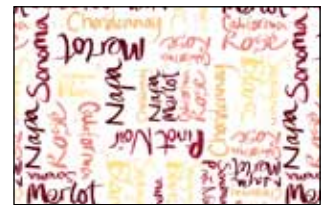
PTCO 5230 RR\*



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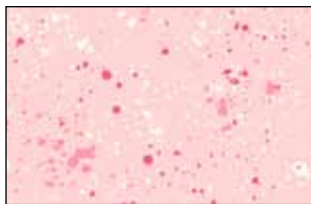
PTCO 5231 LY



PTCO 5231 MU



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\*Fabrics used in quilt.

†Backing