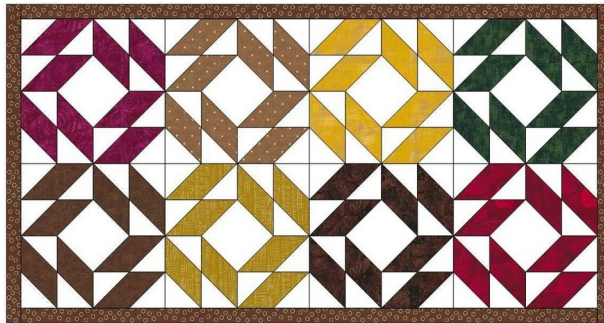# Create with Claudia

Swirling Leaves Table Runner Pattern

Finished Size: 20" x 36"
¼ inch Seam Allowance Used
Please read all instructions carefully before starting.

This easy table runner pattern is all about half square triangles and color placement.

Fabric Requirements

Background Fabric – ½ yard
Leaves – 1/8 yard per block, 8 blocks in total
Border – ¼ yard
Fabric for backing (¾ yard) and binding (depends on method of binding)
Batting

Please note: In the diagram above, each block is made with a different leaf color. This quilt can easily be done with each individual leaf in a different color, or with all of the leaves in the same color.

Cutting

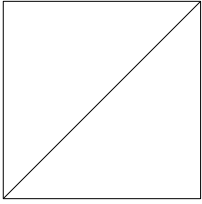Background Fabric – 64 squares cut 3.25" x 3.25"
Leaves – 8 squares cut 3.25" x 3.25" per block, 64 squares in total
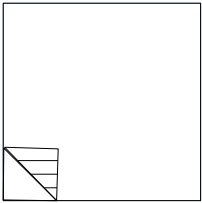Border – 2 strips cut 32.5" x 2.5" and 2 strips cut 20.5" by 2.5"

Making the Half Square Triangles

To make the half square triangles you will need all of your squares. Begin by pairing up one leaf fabric square with one background square.
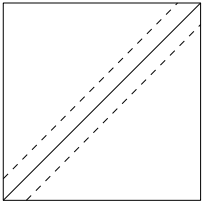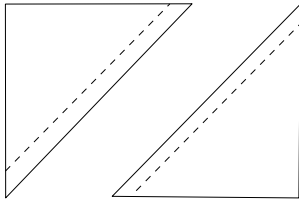
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Draw a diagonal line on the lighter side of back (wrong) side of one of the squares. This will be your sewing guide.

Line the two fabrics on top of each other with front (right) sides facing each other.

Using a ¼ inch seam allowance, sew along both sides of the diagonal line drawn earlier.

Cut down the center, along the line that was drawn earlier. You will have two blocks that now need to be pressed open. Trim the half square triangles down to 2 ½" square.
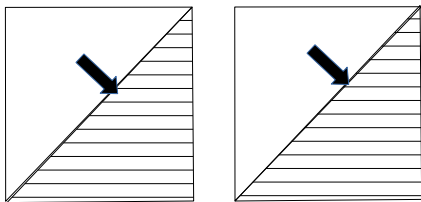
Repeat with the remaining pairs of half square triangles. When finished you should have 16 half square triangles for each block, or 128 total.

Sewing Tip: There are a lot of half square triangles to make. I found it easier to sew them all together first, then press them, and lastly, trim them.

Making the Block

To make one block you will need 16 half square triangles. Lay them out as shown below. Sew the squares together to form one block. Each block should measure 8 ½" square.
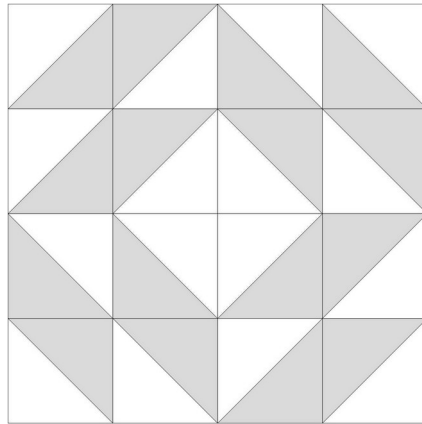
Repeat to make 7 more blocks. You will need 8 blocks in total.
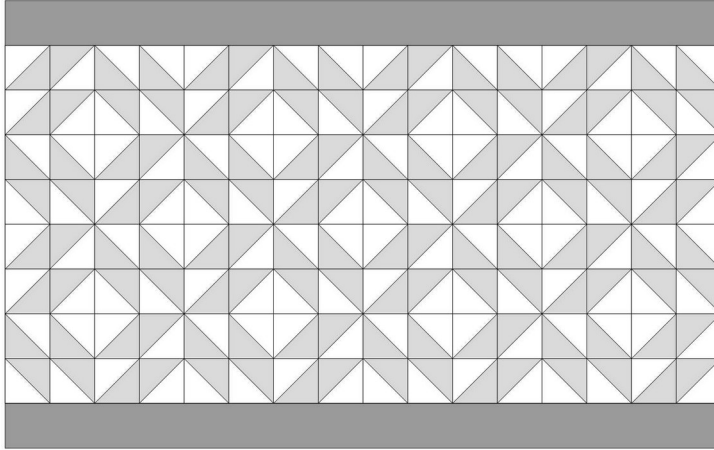
Assembling the Table Runner Top

Once the blocks are finished, lay them out as shown below. You will have 2 rows of 4 blocks. Sew them together.
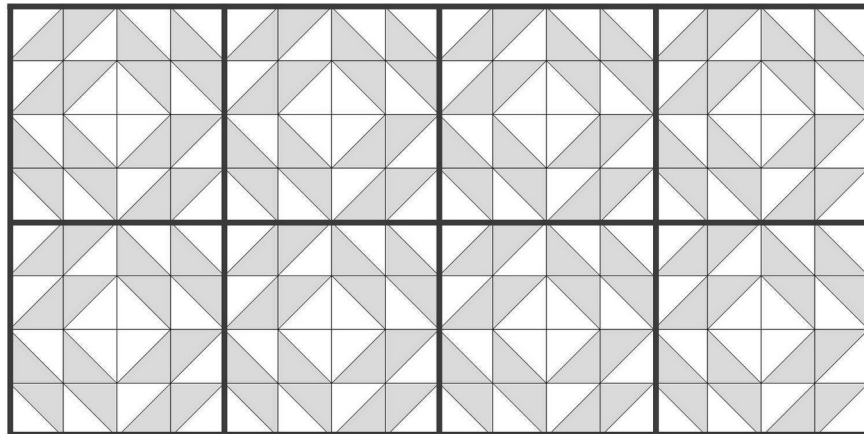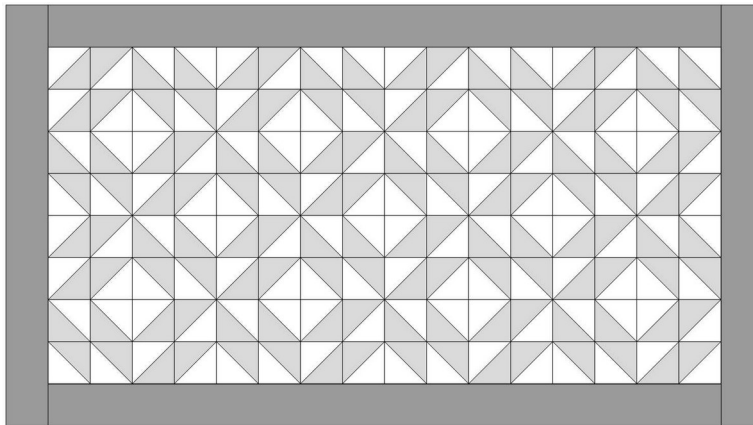

Next, add the borders.

Add the borders to the long sides first. Take the two strips cut 32.5" x 2.5 inches. Add one along each long side.

Next take the two strips cut 20.5" x 2.5" and sew one to each of the shorter ends.

Finishing the Table Runner

1. Lay your backing fabric on a long surface, with wrong side facing up.
2. Next, lay your batting on top of the backing.
3. Lastly, lay your table runner on top with the right side facing up.
4. Baste the layers together using your preferred basting method.
5. Quilt as desired.
6. Bind using your preferred method.

Enjoy your new table runner!