

Festive Fabric Scrap Garland

Machine and / or Hand Sewing method, Decorative Embellishment
finished garland will vary according to your preference & method
two detailed methods & visual reference on following pages

Celebrate the season with a cheerful, handmade garland created from fabric scraps— perfect for adding warmth and festivity to any space.

Fabric Requirements & Supplies

- [1] fabric scraps in festive colors or patterns you love
- [1] cookie cutter or small object in the shape of your choice— stars, circles, trees, moons, geometric shapes, etc.
- [1] fabric scissors or rotary cutter
- [1] sewing machine or a hand-sewing needle & thread
- [1] pins or clips
- [1] iron— optional
- [1] extra fabric scraps— optional for filling shapes

Basic Festive Garland— single-layer shapes

Method

- [1] **Pick a Festive Shape**— choose a template that matches the mood you want: stars, hearts, leaves, snowflakes, ornaments, or simple geometric shapes all work beautifully.
- [2] **Cut Out the Shapes**— across a base fabric piece large enough for one wedge.
 - place the template on your favorite scrap
 - trace around it with chalk or a washable marker
 - cut out as many shapes as you'd like; mixing patterns & colors creates a lively, seasonal feel
- [3] **Plan Your Layout**— arrange the cut shapes in the order you want them to appear on the garland. This helps to visualize spacing & pattern flow.
- [4] **Sew the Shapes into a Garland**—
 - thread your machine with a complementary or contrasting Aurifil thread
 - start sewing a few stitches of empty thread as a leader
 - feed your first fabric shape under the needle & stitch a straight line across the top
 - sew a few stitches between shapes to create spacing, or place them closer together for a fuller garland
 - continue until all shapes are attached
 - trim threads as needed
- [5] **Display**— hang your festive garland along a mantel, doorway, wall, or window to bring seasonal cheer to any room.

Stuffed Shapes for Extra Festivity— option 02

Method

- [1] **Cut Pairs of Shapes**— cut two identical pieces for every shape you'd like to stuff.
- [2] **Sew the Two Layers Together**—
 - put the two pieces right sides together
 - sew around the perimeter with a ¼" seam allowance, leaving a small gap, about 1"
- [3] **Turn & Stuff**—
 - turn the shape right side out through the opening
 - lightly stuff with leftover fabric scraps, or other soft filling
 - hand or machine stitch the opening closed
- [4] **Sew the Shapes into a Garland**—
 - thread them onto Cotton 8wt or Cotton Floss using a large needle, tying knots between shapes to keep them spaced how you desire

Festive Tips

- Use metallic fabrics, sparkly scraps, deep jewel tones, or warm winter neutrals for a seasonal look.
- Varying the shapes & sizes adds playful texture.
- Felt or flannel scraps create a cozy winter feel.
- Leftover blocks are a great addition to add some composed randomness to your garland.
- Add bells, beads, tassels, or embroider for extra seasonal flair— optional.

