

# 2009 Calendar Banner Base

(16" x 33") or (22" x 27")

Celebrate throughout the year with this quick and fun-to-make Country Traditions Calendar Banner. The banner can be made to hang vertically or horizontally to fit your displaying needs. Optional Fabric Kits and Wire & Wood hangers are available (while supplies last) through the Shop or online at

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## Yardage Needs

Background: Fabric #1 1/2 yard  
Square in a Square Corners: Fabric #2 1/8 yard or Fat Quarter  
Square in a Square Center: Fabric #3 1/8 yard or Fat Quarter  
Star Points: Fabric #4 1/8 yard or Fat Quarter  
Variety of Fabrics: Checkerboard 1/8 yard of 12 Fabrics  
Calendar Sleeve/Base: 3/4 yard  
Backing: 3/4 yard  
Batting: 20" x 24"  
Binding: 1/4 yard

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16" x 32" or 32" x 16"

### Needed Supplies and Yardage

-  Fabric #1: (1) 10-1/2" x 16-1/2", (40) 2" x 1-1/2", (8) 2" x 3-1/2"
-  Fabric #2: (16) 2" x 2"
-  Fabric #3: (4) 3-1/2" x 3-1/2"
-  Fabric #4: (16) 2" x 2"
-  Backing: 22" x 24"
-  Calendar Sleeve/Base: 22" x WOF
-  Variety of (12) Color Fabrics: (40): (3-4) 2" x 1-1/2" out of each fabric
-  Binding: (2) 2" x WOF



**PFAFF Expression/Performance or Creative Sewing Machine**



### **Things to Know \*Before you Begin\***

All Quantities and cuts are based on 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics. All measurements include a 1/4" seam allowance, unless stated differently in the directions. WOF stands for Width of Fabric. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated. Read through the instructions before beginning your project. All directions have been tested and are presented in good faith, but no warranty can be given nor results guaranteed. We truly hope you have fun with your project!

### Star Blocks:

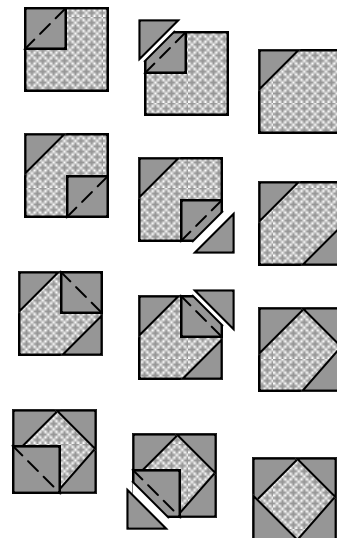
Square in a Square: Fabric #3: (4) 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" &  
Fabric #2: (16) 2" x 2"

Draw a diagonal line across all the Fabric #2, 2" x 2" squares on the wrong side. Position a Fabric #2: 2" x 2" Square on one corner of a Fabric #3: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" square as diagramed. Sew across the fabric #2, square following the drawn diagonal line. Press the square out, towards the units corner. Checking for squareness, then trim a 1/4" from the seam.

Position a Second Fabric #2: 2" x 2" Square on another corner of the Fabric #3: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" square as diagramed. Sew across the Fabric #2, square following the drawn diagonal line. Press the square out, towards the units corner. Checking for squareness, then trim a 1/4" from the seam.

Position a Third Fabric #2: 2" x 2" Square onto the third corner of the Fabric #3: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" square as diagramed. Sew across the Fabric #2, square following the drawn diagonal line. Press the square out, towards the units corner. Checking for squareness, then trim a 1/4" from the seam.

Position a Fourth Fabric #2: 2" x 2" Square on the last corner of the Fabric #3: 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" square as diagramed. Sew across the Fabric #2, square following the drawn diagonal line. Press the square out, towards the units corner. Checking for squareness, then trim a 1/4" from the seam. Square the block up to 3-1/2" x 3-1/2".



Repeat, Making a total of (4) 3-1/2" x 3-1/2" Square in a Square units.

Star Points: Fabric #1: (8) 2" x 3-1/2"

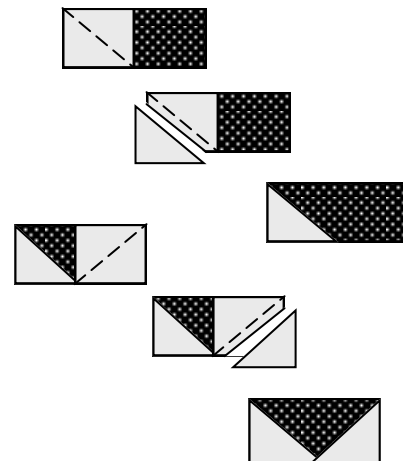
Fabric #4: (16) 2" x 2"

Draw a diagonal line across all the Fabric #4, 2" x 2" squares on the wrong side.

Position a Fabric #4: 2" x 2" Square on one corner of a Fabric #1: 2" x 3-1/2" square as diagramed. Sew across the fabric #4, square following the drawn diagonal line. Press the square out, towards the units corner. Checking for squareness, then trim a 1/4" from the seam.

Position another Fabric #4: 2" x 2" Square on the second corner of the Fabric #1: 2" x 3-1/2" square as diagramed. Sew across the fabric #4, square following the drawn diagonal line. Press the square out, towards the units corner. Checking for squareness, then trim a 1/4" from the seam. Square the unit to 2" x 3-1/2".

Repeat making a total of (8) 2" x 3-1/2" Flying Geese Star Point units.

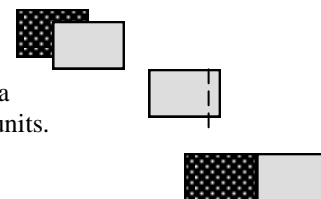


Checker Boards: Fabric #1: (40) 2" x 1-1/2"

Variety of Fabrics: (40) 2" x 1-1/2"

Lay (1) Fabric #1 and (1) Variety of Fabrics right sides together as diagramed, seam a 1/4" along the shorter side of the unit. The unit should measure 1-1/2" x 3-1/2". Repeat making (40) units.

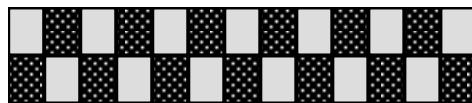
Layout (7 pieced) units created above as diagramed, alternating the Fabric #1 and Variety fabric to create a checkerboard look. Seam the units together creating the sides of the banner base. Repeat making (2) side units.



Add a pieced Star Point unit to each end of the (7 pieced) Checkerboard units. The pieced units should measure 3-1/2" x 10-1/2" at this point. If the pieced unit is too small or large, take thinner or deeper seam allowances across the checkerboard to adjust the strip length.



Layout (13 pieced) units created above as diagramed, alternating the Fabric #1 and Variety fabric to create a checkerboard look. Seam the units together creating the top and bottom of the banner base.



Add a pieced Star Point unit to each end of the (13 pieced) Checkerboard units. Then the square in a square blocks. The pieced units should measure 3-1/2" x 22-1/2" at this point. If the pieced unit is too small or large, take thinner or deeper seam allowances across the checkerboard to adjust the strip length. Repeat making (2) units for the top and bottom.



## Putting it all together

Sew the sides Checkerboard units to the Fabric #1: 10-1/2" x 16-1/2" center rectangle as diagramed. Open and press.



Sew the Top and Bottom checkerboard units onto the Fabric #1: 10-1/2" x 16-1/2" center rectangle as diagramed. Open and press.



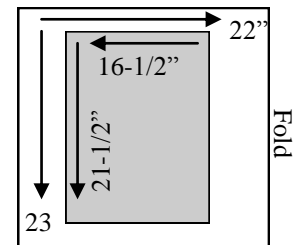
## Quilting the Banner Base

Layer the Banner Base, Batting and Backing in a typical Quilt Sandwich fashion. Baste, then Quilt as desired.

Sew on the 2" Binding strips onto your quilt sandwich. At this point you will have to decide which way you will have your Calendar Base hang, vertically or horizontally. Pull the Binding to the back and stitch the edge down finishing all the edges of the Banner Base, except for the side that will have the Calendar Sleeve hanging.

## Calendar Sleeve/Holder

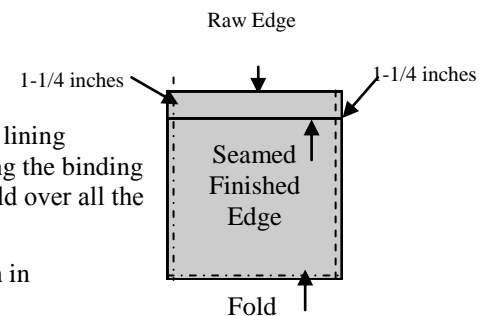
Fold, then, lay the Calendar Sleeve/Base Fabric, right sides together. Press. Cut (2) 16-1/2" x 21-1/2" pieces. Pin the two units together. Starting on the side, sew a 1/4" seam around the rectangle, leaving the top open. Clip the corner seams.



Turn the unit, right sides out, bring the seam allowances to the inside. Poke out the corner seams, and give the unit a good pressing.

Fold the fabric piece in half the long, bring the folded edge up towards the Raw edge. Position the Finished Seamed Edge fold 1-1/4" from the raw edge.

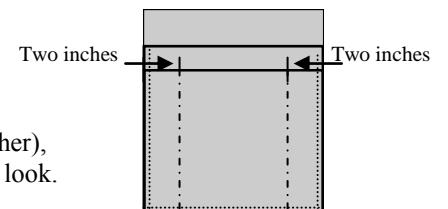
Top stitch close to the edge around the sides and bottom of the Calendar Sleeve/hanger.



Lay the Sleeve/Hanger on the back side of the Quilted Banner Base (Backsides would be together), lining up the raw edge of the sleeve with the unstitch binding side of the Quilted Banner Base. Stitch along the binding raw edge a 1/4" seam to attach the sleeve/hanger to the Binding/Banner Base. Bring the binding fold over all the raw edges and whip stitch the binding down in place.

\*Note: to support the Sleeve/hanger more and keep it from pulling on the binding edge, stitch in the ditch along the bottom edge of binding.

Measure in 2 inches from each side of the Sleeve/hanger, mark a line. Top stitch on this line, backtracking at the top and bottom. This will stabilize the hanger so that it can support the weight of the calendar when it is placed in the sleeve.



## Hanger

To hang your banner, Cut a piece of fabric 3" by 16-1/2". Fold the fabric in half (right sides together), stitch along the raw edge. Turn the sleeve inside out. Tuck in 1/2" on each side, to give a finished look. Position this tube along the top edge of your Quilted Banner Base and whip stitch in place.

Slide the wooden Dowel from the Heart Shaped Wire Hanger into the Fabric Sleeve and hang!  
Attach your monthly block with snaps, Velcro or pins.

Have a Banner of Fun year!