

PROJECT: Tic-Tac-Toe Game Board

For on-the-go fun create a lightweight, foldable fabric game board. A pocket on the back contains the button game pieces.

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FABRICS are from the Creativity Glows collection by Creativity Shell for Moda Fabrics (modafabrics.com).

FINISHED TIC-TAC-TOE GAME BOARD:

15½" square

MATERIALS

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

- ⅛ yard white print (game board)
- 10" square *each* green star print, red print, and orange print (game board, pocket)
- 18x21" piece (fat quarter) *each* black star print and green doodle print (game board, backing, pocket)
- ¼ yard black doodle print (binding)
- 15½"-square batting
- 1—1½"-long piece 1"-wide hook-and-loop tape
- 5 buttons *each*: orange and blue (game pieces)

CUT FABRICS

Cut pieces in the following order.

From white print, cut:

- 9—3½" squares

From green star print, cut:

- 12—1½x3½" rectangles

From red print, cut:

- 2—3x4½" rectangles
- 4—1½" squares

From orange print, cut:

- 4—2½" squares

From black star print, cut:

- 2—4½x9" rectangles
- 4—2½x11½" rectangles

From green doodle print, cut:

- 1—15½" square

From black doodle print, cut:

- 2—2½x42" binding strips

ASSEMBLE TIC-TAC-TOE GAME BOARD

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Press seams in directions indicated by arrows on diagrams. If no direction is specified, press seam open.

1 Referring to **Diagram 1**, lay out white print 3½" squares, green star print 1½x3½" rectangles, and red print 1½" squares in five rows. Sew together pieces in rows. Join rows to make tic-tac-toe game board center. The game board center should be 11½" square including seam allowances.

2 Referring to **Diagram 2**, lay out orange print 2½" squares, black star print 2½x11½" rectangles, and game board center in three rows. Sew together pieces in rows. Join rows to make tic-tac-toe game board top. The game board top should be 15½" square including seam allowances.

3 Layer game board top, batting, and green doodle print 15½" square; baste. Quilt as desired. Quilt tester Diane Tomlinson stitched green print and black print rectangles in the ditch.

4 Bind with black doodle print binding strips to make tic-tac-toe game board.

ASSEMBLE AND ADD POCKET

1 Referring to **Diagram 3**, sew together one red print 3x4½" rectangle and one black star print 4½x9" rectangle to make a pocket lining unit. The unit should be 4½x11½" including seam allowances. Repeat to make a matching pocket outer unit.

2 On right side of pocket lining unit center loop section of hook-and-loop tape ¾" from red print short edge (**Diagram 4**); stitch in place.

3 On right side of pocket outer unit center hook section of hook-and-loop tape ¼" from black star print short edge (**Diagram 5**); stitch in place.

4 Referring to **Diagram 6**, sew together pocket lining unit and pocket outer unit, leaving a 2" opening in a black star print long edge, to make pocket unit. Trim corners.

5 Turn pocket unit right side out through opening; press.

6 Referring to **Diagram 7**, with lining side inside fold pocket unit black star print short edge up 4" to form pocket. Pin side edges.

7 Referring to **Diagram 8**, position pocket on back of tic-tac-toe game board 1" from a side edge and ½" from bottom edge. To secure pocket and close opening used for turning, topstitch black star print edges; do not topstitch red print edges to create pocket flap.

8 Store game piece buttons in pocket. Fold red print flap down and connect hook-and-loop tape sections to close pocket.

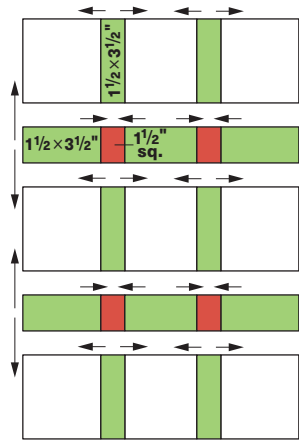


Diagram 1

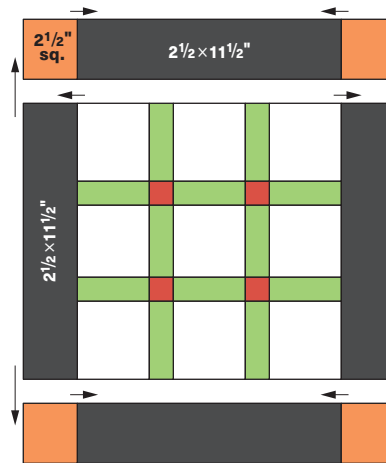


Diagram 2

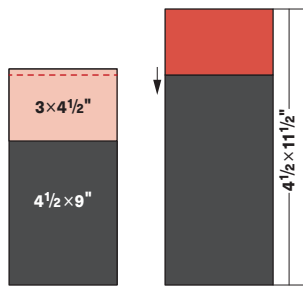


Diagram 3



Diagram 4



Diagram 5

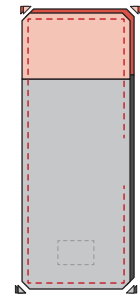


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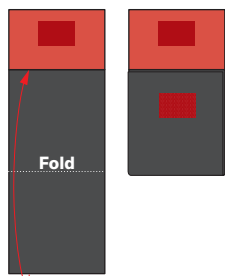


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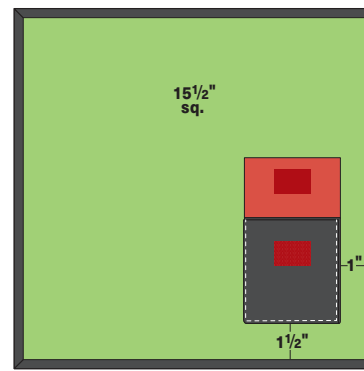


Diagram 8