## Home Décor instructions:

## **Emily Braid: for Placemats and Runner**

 $7 \times 2 \frac{1}{2}$ " strips from your 3 colour choices. Cross cut all into 8" pieces. From your light tone fabric cut  $1 \times 2 \frac{1}{2}$ " square

**Emily's Braid.** Lay out the first several braid pieces as shown.

This gives you an idea of look and order. (Figure 1)

Flip the 2 ½" square over the first 8" piece, stitch from Point 1 to Point 2 (Figure 2)

Unfold, Finger press, (Figure 3)

Flip the next strip to the right hand side, stitch from point 1 to Point 2 (Figure 4) Continue adding strips in colour order to the left and right of the braid. (Figure 5) Use all of the fabric pieces cut to allow for trimming once exact measurements are taken.











Figure 1

Figure 2

Figure 3

Figure 4

Figure 5

Using a long ruler trim your braid to 9" width, leave length until construction. Trim the end with the square flat lining up all points as we did in class.

From your long length of braid cut 6 x 11  $\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces and the rest is for your table runner. Trim off other end to length required for your runner.

PLACEMATS: Join 2 border strips so that you can use the left overs for the next placemat.

Using a border strip and leaving a tag like we did in class, stitch a border to one side, press and trim.

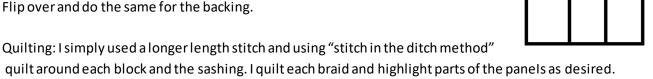
Now do the opposite side the same. Now do top and bottom.

Now join 2 more border strips and add the left over piece from the first one. Do the next placemat.

Use the same technique for your runner.

Backing: Cut your backing piece into 6 x 13  $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 16  $\frac{1}{2}$ " pieces leaving the long edge for your runner Please note the drawing is NOT to scale.

Lay one piece for placemat out on table wrong side up
Cover with batting, then put your top on. Smooth out. Fold back half of the top
and spray with quilt basting spray. (See this method on our
website <a href="www.aussiequickquilt.com">www.aussiequickquilt.com</a> as it saves hours of pinning)
Carefully replace top and smooth down straightening any lines etc.
now repeat for second half.



Trim the outside edge of your quilt and now we are ready for the binding.

## **Binding:**

Stitch binding strips end to end.

Press binding strips in half along the length.

With raw edges facing raw edges of the quilt, stitch to **the back** of your quilt. Do one side then the other. (use the 2 sets of 2)

Press binding out. Fold to the front of the quilt and machine stitch the binding onto the front of your quilt right on the binding line.

Now do top and bottom the same using half of the 3 set as needed for each one, remember to fold raw end edge in to make a neat edge before stitching.

NOTE: I stitch it to the back of the quilt first so that when you fold it to the front you can see where you need to stitch. If you are a traditional quilter, feel free to use your own method of binding, or see www.aussiequickquilt.com/videotips.html to view the easiest way to do a mitred binding.