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2011 – Holiday Inspiration – Day 2

Make a single strand of Twisted Herringbone, close with a magnetic clasp stitched into the ends of the tube. Use as a long elegant necklace or wrap around your wrist several times for an interesting bracelet. The sheen of this example is typical of the great colors we have in size 11 cylinders. Quick solution for that Holiday Party outfit!



All you need: seed beads, Fireline, a magnetic clasp and a needle. Kick it up a notch by adding a Peyote tube to cover the magnetic clasp. The big choice: What color first? Because you'll want to make more than one...

Even if you the only cooking you do is in the microwave, eventually everyone needs potholders. Why not make them pretty or cute? The front is inspired by the wonky log cabin in the book, *block party*, by Alissa Haight Carlton and Kresten Lejniaks. The back is a quick technique using 4 pieces of fabric that allow you to sew, flip and done!



Front (or Back?)



Back (or Front?)



Sewing Instructions for:

Quick Potholders

Instructions are for two 8" square pot holders.

Fabric Requirements:

Fabric 1, Side A	¼ yard
Fabric 2, Side A	¼ yard
Fabric 3, Side B	¼ yard
Insul-Brite insulated batting	1 package

Step 1: Cut fabric to size (Assuming 40" - 42" inch wide goods)

Side A fabric 1 and 2	8 ½" x 8 ½" from each fabric
Side B fabric (or optional pieced block)	8 ½" x 8 ½"
Insul-Brite	8" x 8"

Step 2: Fold and press fabric 1 and fabric 2 squares into triangles with right sides out.

Step 3: Layer fabric.

- ✓ Place Insul-Brite on a flat surface.
- ✓ Center Side B fabric over Insul-Brite right side up, wrong side to Insul-Brite.
- ✓ Layer Side A fabrics over Side B with all raw edges even. (See pic.)
- ✓ Pin all layers together and stitch around perimeter, catching the edges of the Insul-Brite slightly. Don't worry if you don't catch it all the way around; It's no big deal.
- ✓ Reach into the gap at the center of Side A and turn so Side B is right side out, easing out and flattening the four corners of the potholder.
- ✓ Nudge the four pieces of Side A together and add a little stitch in the center to finish.

Ta-Da! You're done. Now make another. And another. And another...



Side A



Side B (optional patched block)