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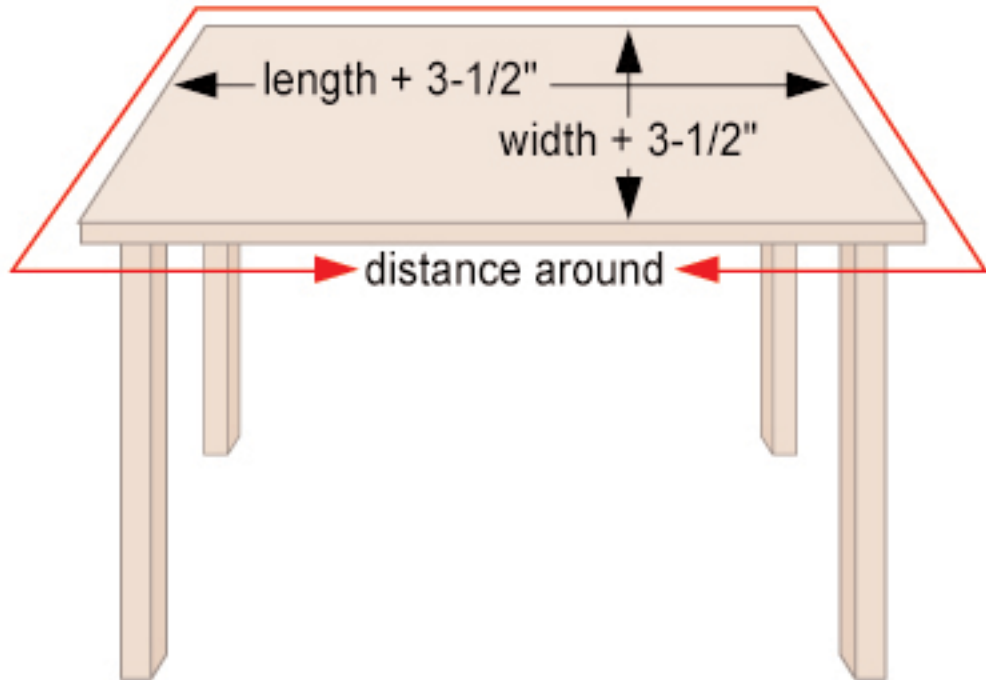
“It’s A Party” TABLECLOTH



Decorate for your next birthday, holiday, or special occasion with this festive table covering. This clever tablecloth has interchangeable side panels that are attached with hook and loop tape. Make new panels for every occasion and use your creativity to decorate them with applique, embroidery, or other sewing machine techniques.

MEASURE YOUR TABLE

1. Measure the length and width of your table top. Add 2" for a "drop" to each side plus 1 1/2" for the hems.
2. The side panels are 14" deep X the distance around the table top.



NECESSARY SUPPLIES:

Measure your table top before purchasing your fabric. Choose a solid color for the top and select any combination for the side panels.

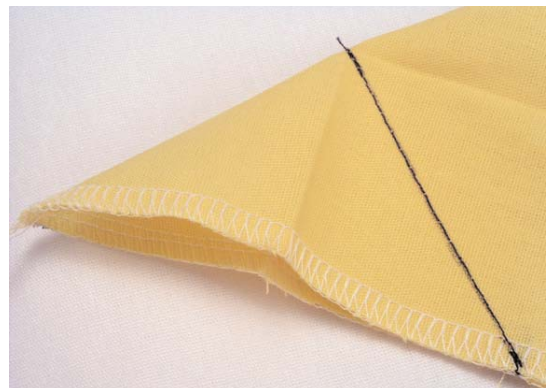
- 1/2 to 1 yard of fabric fabric for applique (add and additional 1/2 yard for the bows)
- 1 yard of paper-backed fusible web
- 1 yard of interfacing

- 3/4"-wide Velcro® brand Soft & Flexible SEW-ON tape (enough to go all the way around the tablecloth)
- Rayon thread
- All-purpose sewing thread
- Fabric glue
- Jeans needles, size 80 or 90 or Microtex needles, size 80 sharp
- Fabric marking pencil

1. On the table top fabric, fold in 3/4" to the **right** side on each edge and press in place.
2. Miter each corner, following the steps below, and stitch the hem in place using a straight stitch.



Step 1



Step 2



Step 3



Step 4

NOTE: The side panels are four separate pieces and are made in the same manner as the table top except they have a 2" hem pressed to the *wrong* side. Miter the corners as above.

APPLIQUE

1. Following the manufacturer's directions, interface the applique fabric.
2. Download the block alphabet given here. Trace the appropriate letters to the paper side of the fusible web. NOTE: Remember to reverse the letters before tracing. Following the manufacturer's directions, fuse the paper-backed traced letters to the wrong side of the applique fabric.
3. Position the letters on the panels as you desire. Center the saying, such as "Happy Easter", on the long sides or applique and embroider on all four panels. Fuse each letter in place following the manufacturer's directions. Remove the paper backing.
4. Using a stitch length of 0.25 to 0.5 and a stitch width of 3 and your satin stitch foot, stitch around the edge of each letter.



5. Stitch out embroidery designs of your choice to finish the panels or add family names or dates for the occasion.



6. Separate the hook and loop sections from each other. Using a small bead of fabric glue, glue the loop side to the table top and the hook side to the panels. Let dry thoroughly.



7. Replace your sewing machine needle with a Jeans or Microtex sharp needle. Using a straight stitch, sew the sections of tape to the tabletop and the panels.

8. From the remaining fabric, cut or tear strips at least 4" x 22". Fold each strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together.

9. Sew a 1/4" seam across each end and the open edges leaving a 2" opening in the middle of the long side for turning.

10. Turn right side out and slipstitch the opening closed. Lightly press the seam and ends.

11. Tie each strip in a bow and attach at the corners with safety pins.

