

Christmas Swag

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Using 8" & 6" hexagons Swag size: 70cm x 18cm



An easy Christmas swag constructed with 5 x 6" hexagons. I used three background colours and a consistant fabric for the 'images' inside the hexagons.

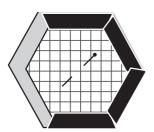
Method:

Using the 8" hexagon, cut out your five hexagons. This is the 'background' fabric to your hexagons and is the fabric that will show as a border around the main hexagons and also on the reverse.

Using the 6" hexagon cut out five hexagons from your 'feature fabric' plus five hexagons from batting - I prefer cotton batting or something fairly thin.

Making the hexagons:

Press under a scant ¾" hem all round the 8" hexagons.



Now place the 6" 'feature fabric' hexagon on top of the 6" hexagon batting and pin in place to the wrong side of the 8" hexagon.

Fold the pressed hem over the 'feature fabric' and stitch by hand or machine, using either a straight stitch or a fancy blanket stitch.



Cut 5 x 2½" lengths of green ribbon, thread a small gold bell onto the ribbon and sew neatly at bottom point on the wrong side of each hexagon.

Cut a length of red ribbon 1.6m or longer depending on where you are going to hang your swag.

Find the centre point of the ribbon and lay your middle hexagon over the centre mark. Lay the other hexagons either side and pin onto the ribbon. Slip stitch the ribbon to the back of the hexagons. To decorate the front I sewed a green button between each of the hexagons.

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