

## Dresden Christmas Wreath Jennifer Morgan Moore's of Mission Viejo



I designed this quilt to teach basic machine applique, with some fun piecing thrown in. You will learn how to make a classic dresden plate block (it's so easy you won't believe it!) using a dresden ruler, and how to attach it to the background using invisible machine applique. Or, you can make it even faster like I did, and attach it during the quilting process, I'll show you how to do that. You will also learn how to make perfect circles using a starch technique. I've thrown in some half square triangle blocks to make a ribbon border, using triangle paper. This is an intermediate level class. You should complete the dresden block in class, and the majority of the half square triangles. You will be responsible for completing the quilting and binding.

## **Supply List:**

• \*Sewing machine in good working order, and manual if you have it just in case there are any problems. You will need either a quarter inch presser foot, or the ability to move the needle to accomplish a 1/4" seam, or a seam guide. You will be using a tiny zig zag stitch for the machine applique, so you must also have a presser foot for decorative stitches.

- \*A new sewing machine needle, size 80/20 sharp or universal.
- \*Rotary cutter, mat and rulers. The 23" x 17" size mat is a good starting size, and easy to carry to class. The 6" X 24" ruler is a good basic ruler to have. Also necessary is a square ruler, a 6" square is good. Please have a newer, sharp blade in your rotary cutter.
- \*Sharp straight pins, seam ripper, scissors, and other basic sewing supplies.
- \*Cotton sewing thread (50 weight) in a neutral color (gray or cream usually work) for piecing.
- \*Monofilament thread for the machine applique
- Starch. Any kind is acceptable. (Best Press will not work for this technique). This is for the dresden center.
- \*Easy Dresden ruler, by Darlene Zimmerman (available at Moore's)
- Manila folder and sharp paper scissors for making the center circle for the dresden.
   Heat resistant template plastic will also work.
- Hand sewing needle, any size that you can easily thread will work.
- \*Fabric glue: Roxannes Glue Baste It or Jillily's Appli-Glue are both acceptable.
- Optional: 2" finished Triangles on the Roll

## Fabric:

I am giving you the fabric requirements based upon the colors in my quilt. You can choose whatever you like!

Background: 3/4 yard (this will also be enough for the ribbon border and the dresden center).

Dresden fabrics: 1/4 yard of two different fabrics (red and green in my quilt).

Ribbon border: ¼ yard (red in my quilt)

(If you want to use a different fabric than the dresden background, \( \frac{1}{4} \) yard.)

Backing: 7/8 yards (30" square) Batting: 7/8 yard (30" square)

Binding: ¼ yard

Please feel free to contact me at jsm728@aol.com if you have any questions!

All supplies with an \* are available for purchase at any Moore's location. Supplies underlined and in blue are available on the Moore's website and link to the product page itself. Sew Fun Members receive 20% off regular price on accessories and notions purchased during class. For details, please contact any Moore's Sewing Location or register for Sew Fun Club online!

WWW.moores-sew.com