

The Spirit of Christmas Stocking  
Designed and made by Sally Ablett

Requirements – this is enough fabric to make 2 stockings.

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| 1. Red and black robin squares F272 col.2 -   | 2 rows       |
| 2. Green foliage on red ground F275 col.2 -   | Fat Quarter  |
| 3. Green foliage on black ground F275 col.1 - | Fat Quarter  |
| 4. Robins on red ground F273 col.1 -          | Fat Quarter  |
| 5. Green leaves with red berries F274 col.1 - | Fat Quarter  |
| 6. Red with gold holly F276 col.2 -           | Long Quarter |
| 7. Robins on black ground F146 col.10 -       | 20cm         |

2m Backing, Lining and Wadding

Ribbons and Bells for decoration

Gold thread.

Cutting

Each stocking

1. 11 x 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares
2. 14 x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares
3. 14 x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares
4. 9 x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares
5. 9 x 2<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>" x 2<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" squares
6. 22 x 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" x 3<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" rectangles  
26 x 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" x 5" strips
7. 1 top from stocking pattern.

Making

Refer to the main diagram for the layout of all of the fabric pieces before you start any sewing.

Take a square of fabric 1 and sew a strip of fabric 6 to the left and right hand sides and press back, then add a strip of fabric 6 to the top and bottom. Press back. Do this for all 11 panels of fabric 1.

Join together two squares of fabric 4 and fabric 5 to form a square. Put similar colours in opposite corners, you make 4 large squares in total. There will be 1 square of fabric 4 and one square of fabric 5 left over, they should be sewn together side by side and the completed rectangle will sit on the heel edge of the stocking.

Join together two squares of fabric 2 and fabric 3 to form a square. Put similar colours in opposite corners, you will make five large squares in total. There will be six squares of fabric 2 and six squares of fabric 3 left over. Join the remaining pieces together in pairs of opposing colours.

Lay out all of your fabric pieces as in the main diagram.

Stitch the units together in rows and press back.

Stitch the rows together, at this point do not sew on the pattern piece of fabric 7 .

Using the diagram make a full sized template of the stocking. The drawing is to scale and it is based on a 1" grid with an overall size of 23" x 31".

Cut this out and lay it on top of the stocking piece. You can now see where to stitch the top pattern piece of fabric 7. Sew into place.

Now using the template cut out the whole stocking. Seam allowances have been included in the template.

Place this onto some wadding and quilt with festive designs.

Again using the template, cut out the stocking shape to make one back and two pieces of lining, remembering to check your fabric is facing the correct way when the stocking is sewn together.

Take the Back of the stocking and lay it on top of some wadding and quilt using festive designs.

At this point, you may wish to sew some gold ribbon across the front of the stocking.

Lay a piece of lining onto the stocking front and back matching the shapes. Sew across the top edge of each and clip the curves.

Lay the stocking front and back pieces right sides together and the lining front and back pieces together, both stocking pieces on the left hand side and both lining pieces on the right hand side (yes it looks weird, but it will work).

Sew right the way around the stocking and lining, leaving a 4" opening along one side of the lining for turning out.

Clip the curves and pull everything through so the right sides are now facing out and sew up the opening.

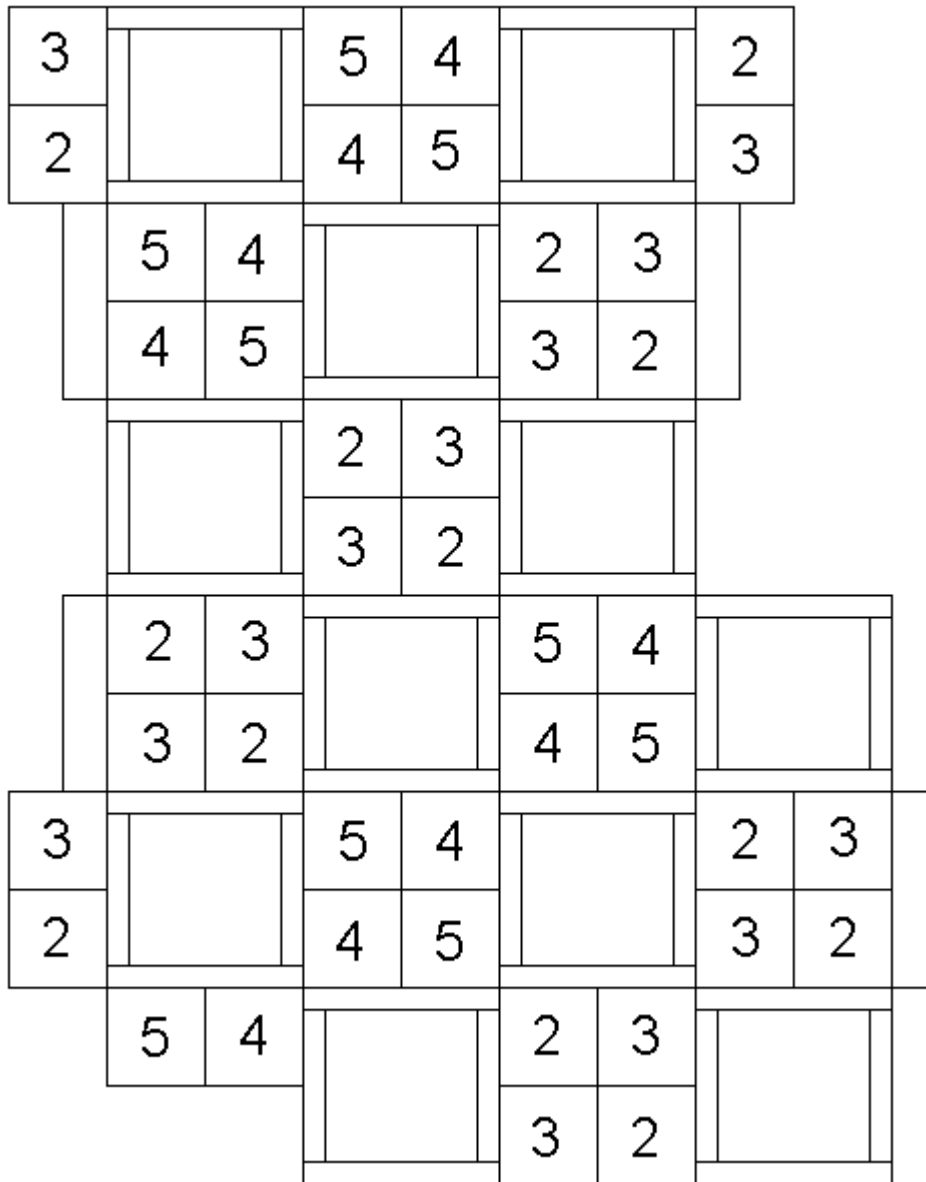
Tuck the lining inside the stocking

Now stitch a ¼" seam the entire way around the top edge.

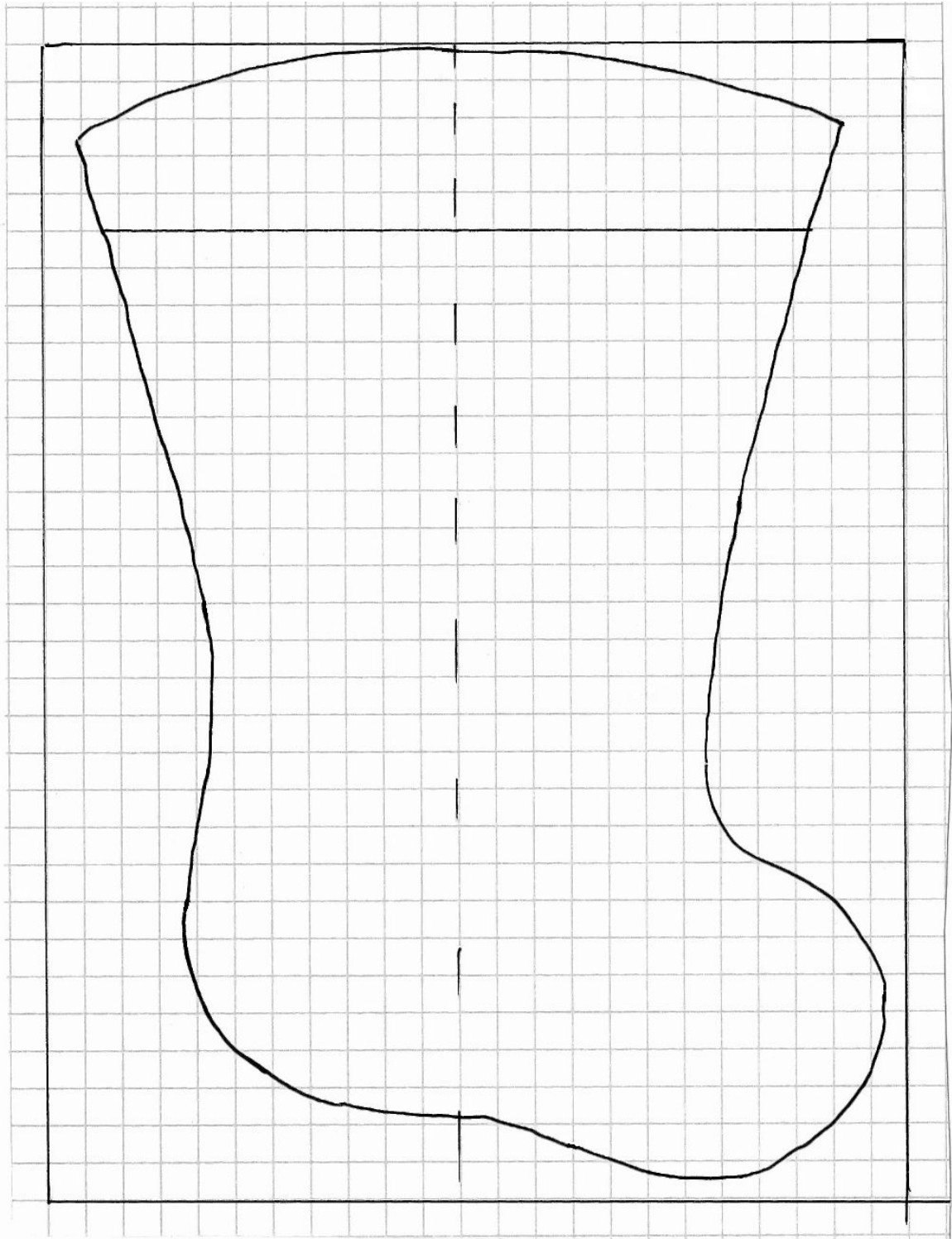
You can now decorate the stocking by adding cord to the top and sewing on ribbons and bells.

Add a hanging loop to one side.

You will have enough fabric left over to repeat the process and make a second stocking.



*layout for fabric pieces*



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