

Block of the Month 2024

Blok 6 Celtic Knot

What you'll need:

- One piece of fabric 10.5 x 10.5 inches
- Fabric to make the cross in it. (if you wish)
- Fabric for making bias binding and a bias binding maker. You need about 3 yards.
- Bias tape, ready-made from Clover for example.
- Scissors, rotary cutter, ruler.
- Chalk pen, frixion pen.
- Pins, needles, yarn according to color, glue pen
- The template.

Bias binding 6 mm, you can make it yourself with a bias tape maker or you can use stained glass tape. This is black and it sticks on one side. It is thinner and easier to use as a bias binding. Below are links of how to make bias tape and how to use the black tape.. There are also bias tape makers that come with a roll of gluetape, you insert when making the tape. That might be even more convenient, but I have to say, 6 mm is very narrow, I didn't find it that easy to make. I have now also worked with pre-cut bias tape with a layer of glue on it. Used especially for this type of blocks. What a relief. It went very fast. It's a pity that you can't get it by color.

1. Copy the drawing onto the fabric. I did this with a light box. Indicate the middle. There is a dot on the drawing.
2. Cut out the piece of the cross. You need a little bit of seem allowance for this. Place them on the fabric and pin them down. You can thread them in the background. This time I did it with vliesofix, but then I found out that ironing it on meant losing the drawing I had put on it with the frixion pen. You learn by doing!
3. The strips to make bias tape are cut diagonally on 45 °.
4. Trace the pattern on your block. If you use fabric, first secure the fabric and then start with the bias tape. Pay close attention to where you start and do it in such a way that you can hide the end and beginning under a continuous line. I fixed everything with a glue pen instead of pins and then sewed it. If you work with the clover tape, it sticks so well that you can make the whole pattern quickly. Iron it on.
5. Sew everything on and iron.

If you need some help, look at this.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1_jWVXTIbJA

<https://youtu.be/8VytBGXKwKQ?si=tKv4F4udh2MJSiXj>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3YRMmWjPC24>

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