

Fluted Quilted Box

Size 9cm by 10cm (3½" by 4") – For Beginner or Intermediate

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Requirements:

- Fabric 1 - 35cm square
- Fabric 2 - 35cm square
- Thread to match or contrast
- Wadding – 35cm Cotton Flannel or wadding



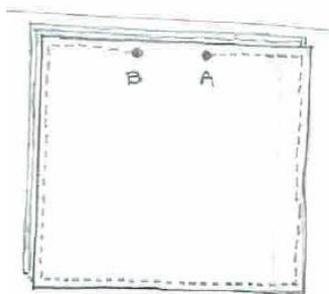
¼" seam allowances have been included in cutting instructions.

Use of a ¼" sewing foot is recommended but if not available then the normal sewing foot can achieve the same results although the box will be slightly smaller.

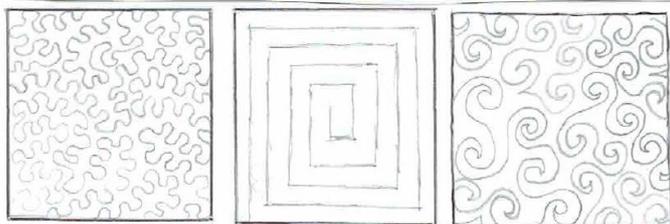
Method:

This is a great little project that doesn't take long at all to complete and a great way to practice free motion quilting.

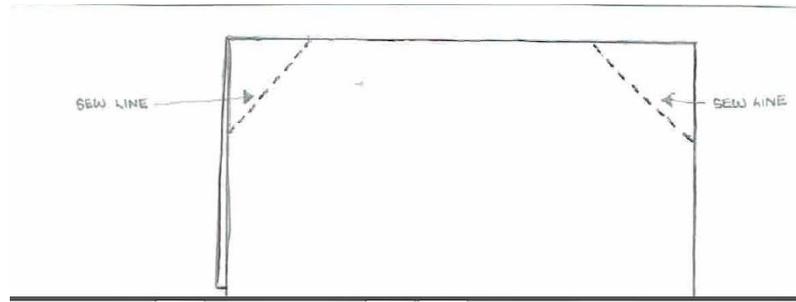
1. Firstly, cut two pieces of fabric 12 ½ inches square of contrasting colours and one 12 ½ inch square of wadding
2. lay the 2 fabrics on top of each other with right sides facing each other and then lay the wadding on top
3. Sew from point A to Point B leaving a 4" gap as shown in the diagram below:



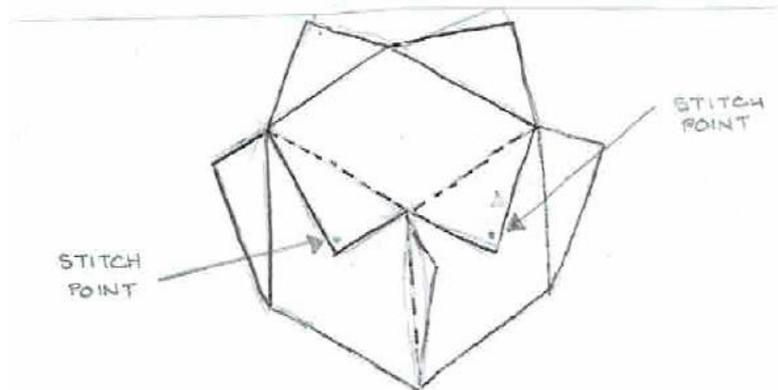
4. Turn correct side out, press and sew up the gap.
5. You will now have a 12" square to quilt. This is the fun part as it can be quilted however you like. It's a fun way to test out free motion quilting or keep it really simple. The tighter the quilting is the more rigidity you will give the finished box. We used a simple stippling when free motion quilting but go crazy and see what you like. For example designs like these are perfect:



- The next part will be sewing together the layers to form the box shape. Fold the layers horizontally (i.e. in half) with the lighter of your fabric choices on the inside. As shown in the picture below mark 3 inches vertically and horizontally and join from the edges of the fold. Now sew along these lines



- Now fold the layers vertically (i.e. in half although the other direction) and repeat the stage 6 marking the fabric and sewing down the diagonals. You should now start to see the box shape coming together.
- With the triangular tips fold them back and sew the tip to the outside. As shown in the diagram below:



- The final part is to complete the fluted corners. This is all about stitching the flute to hold it open. To start, from one of the corner points measure $\frac{3}{4}$ " down along the seam line and using an erasable marker make a mark at this point, then measure out $\frac{3}{4}$ " to the left of the seam from that point and put a stitch to hold the flute open i.e. Stitch the flute to the box. Repeat this for the other side of the flute by going to the right of the marker and again put in a stitch at this point.
- Repeat the fluting of each corner to give you your final box.

Have fun and enjoy. It's great to keep next to your sewing machine to put your scraps and threads into.

Try making them in different sizes and practice your free motion quilting.

Use it as a visual reminder of free motion patterns you can use in quilts.

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