

# Easy--Quilt-As-You-Go Place Mat Pattern

Here's a place mat that's so easy you'll be eager to sew a set of four! This quilt-as-you-go project means that when the top is done, so is the quilting! Add binding and you've completed a pretty place mat. Fabrics are from the Mixed Bag collection by Studio M for Moda Fabrics.

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## Materials

- 18x21" piece (fat quarter) print for place mat backing
- 9 assorted print 2-1/2x14" strips for place mat top
- 1/4 yard dot or print for place mat binding
- 14x20" piece thin quilt batting
- Quilt basting spray (optional)
- Water-soluble marking pen

**Finished place mat:** 18x12"

Sew this project with 1/4" seams. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated. Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

## Cut the Fabrics

**From backing fabric, cut:**

- 1-14x20" rectangle

**From binding fabric, cut:**

- 2-2-1/2x42" strips

## Assemble (and Quilt) the Place Mat

1. Lay backing fabric rectangle on work surface with right side down.
2. Place thin quilt batting piece on top. (If desired, use quilt-basting spray to secure the layers together.)
3. Using a water-soluble marking pen, mark a line 2-1/2" from left short edge.

4. Align a print 2-1/2x14" strip, right side up, between the left short edge and the drawn line.

5. Place a second print 2-1/2x14" strip, right side down, atop the first strip.

6. Sew together along one edge through all layers.

**TIP:** Use a walking foot attachment on your machine during the construction to avoid puckers on the placemat front and back. With a walking foot, all layers of fabric move through machine at the same speed.

7. Finger-press the top strip open.

8. Continue adding assorted print strips in same manner, one at a time, finger pressing each open, until all nine strips have been added.

9. Finger-press ninth strip open. Press unit flat.

10. Centering strips, trim unit to make an 18x12" place mat top.

11. Machine baste around outer edges of place mat top about 1/8" from cut edges.

12. To bind and finish the edges of place mat use 2-1/2x42" binding strips.

Watch the binding video [here](#).

See how to hand-stitch the binding [here](#).













