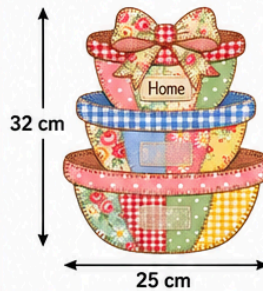




FINISHED SIZE



MATERIALS



- Cotton fabric (different prints and colors)
- Fusible web (appliqué adhesive)
- Felt or fabric for back (optional)
- Embroidery floss or quilting thread
- Stuff for wall hanging (optional)
- Scissors, pins, needle
- Sewing machine
- Iron and ironing board

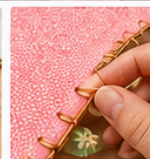
MAIN METHODS USED



Trace and cut



Fusible appliqué

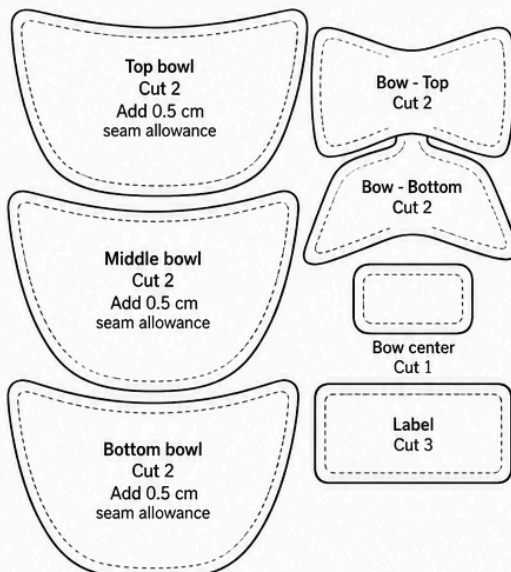


Blanket stitch



Backstitch lettering

TEMPLATES (actual size patterns)



Templates include 0.5 cm seam allowance.
Print at 100% size.

1 Choose and cut the fabrics



Use the templates to cut all fabric pieces. Cut 2 of each bowl, 2 of each bow piece, 1 bow center and 3 label rectangles.

2 Prepare the appliqué pieces



Apply fusible web to the wrong side of the fabrics. Trace the templates and cut the pieces.

3 Make the patchwork bowls



Sew the fabric sections together for each bowl. Press the seams open.

4 Assemble the bow



Sew the bow pieces together, turn right side out, press and add the center piece. Use blanket stitch around the edges.

5 Add the labels



Cut 3 rectangles, apply fusible web, attach to the bowls and stitch around the edges. Use backstitch to embroider the words.

6 Layer and assemble



Arrange the bowls from smallest (top) to largest (bottom). Pin in place and stitch the layers together.

7 Add decorative stitching



Use blanket stitch around all edges with embroidery floss or quilting thread.

8 Optional backing



Add a backing fabric or felt for extra firmness. Stitch around the edge.

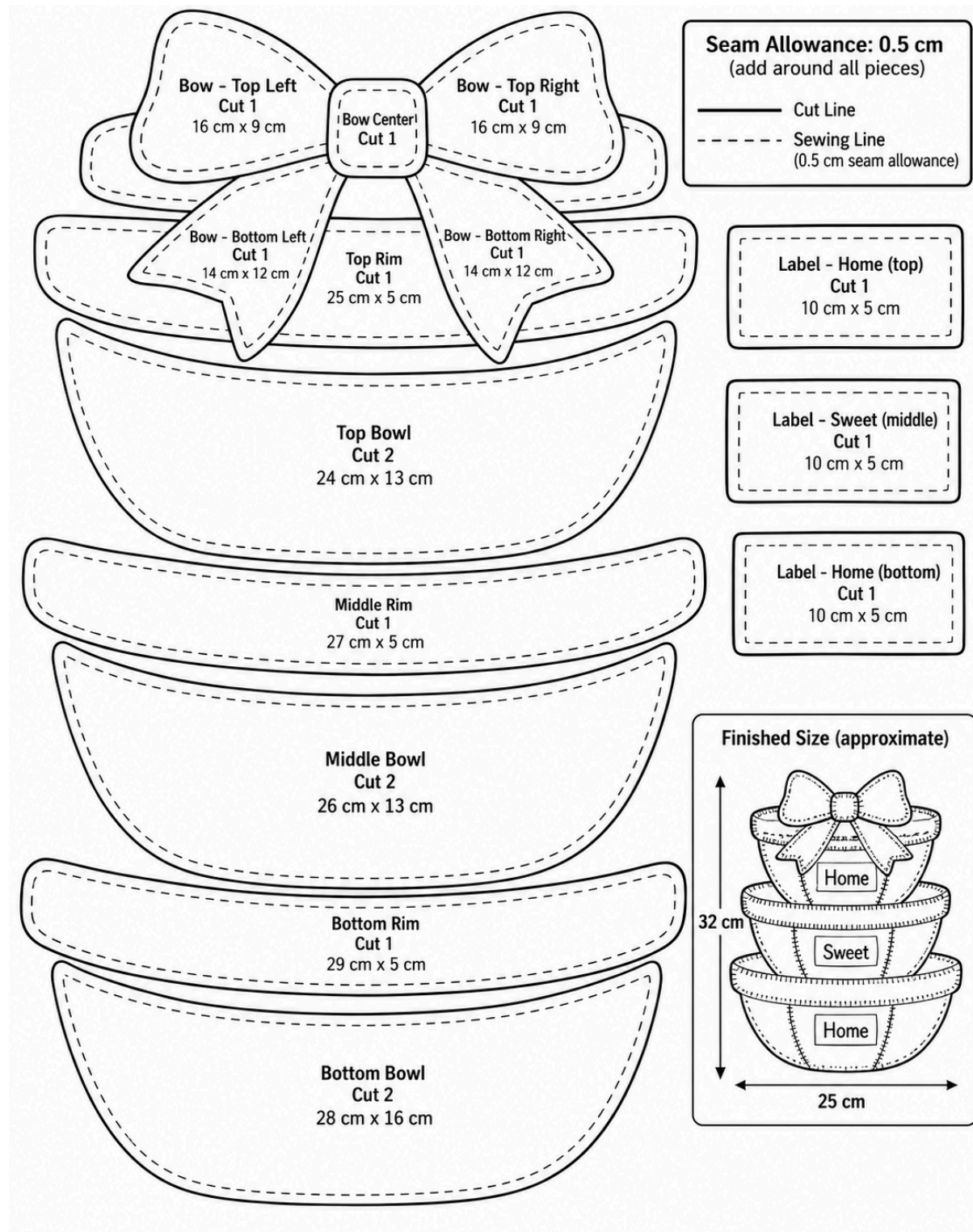
9 Final touches



Add a ribbon loop or small hanger on the back to hang on the wall.

FINAL RESULT





Home Sweet Home Stacked Fabric Bowls Tutorial

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This cheerful Home Sweet Home stacked fabric bowls project combines patchwork, fusible appliqué, decorative blanket stitching, simple embroidery, and colorful cotton prints. Based on the tutorial graphic, the finished wall decoration measures approximately 32 cm high × 25 cm wide.

The design is made from three graduated fabric bowls stacked from largest at the bottom to smallest at the top. Each bowl can be pieced from several coordinating fabrics, giving the project its charming patchwork appearance. A large decorative bow finishes the top, while the three appliqué labels spell “Home – Sweet – Home.”

This tutorial uses U.S. sewing terminology, while all project dimensions are given in centimeters (cm) to stay consistent with the original graphic.

Materials and Supplies

For the main design, choose several coordinating 100% cotton quilting fabrics. Floral prints, gingham, polka dots, small-scale prints, and soft solids work especially well together. The sample uses pink, blue, green, yellow, red, cream, and floral fabrics.

You will also need fusible web for appliqué. This helps stabilize the individual shapes and keeps them securely positioned while you add the decorative stitching.

Prepare a piece of felt or coordinating cotton fabric for the backing if you want the finished decoration to have additional body. A lightweight layer of batting can also be added if you prefer a slightly padded appearance.

For stitching, use embroidery floss, quilting thread, or decorative sewing thread. Brown, tan, or gold-toned thread

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creates the handmade outlined appearance shown in the graphic.

You will also need scissors or a rotary cutter, cutting mat, fabric marking pencil, pins or clips, hand-sewing needle, sewing machine, iron, and ironing board.

Finally, prepare a small piece of ribbon or cord if you plan to turn the finished project into a wall hanging.

Step 1: Prepare the Templates and Cut the Fabric

Begin by preparing the bowl, bow, bow-center, and label templates shown in the pattern. The graphic indicates a 0.5 cm seam allowance for the bowl pieces.

The completed project should measure approximately 32 × 25 cm, so check your printed templates before cutting. When a template is intended to print at actual size, make sure your printer is set to 100% or Actual Size, rather than “Fit to Page.”

Choose fabrics for each bowl before cutting. One of the most attractive features of this project is the combination of different prints within the same bowl.

You can create the patchwork sections by joining narrow pieces of cotton fabric first and then cutting the bowl shape from the completed patchwork panel. Alternatively, cut individual sections and piece them together following the general arrangement shown in the graphic.

Prepare enough fabric for the three bowls, their contrasting upper rims, the bow, bow tails, bow center, and three rectangular labels.

Press all fabric before tracing or cutting. Flat fabric produces much more accurate appliqué shapes and cleaner finished edges.

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Step 2: Prepare the Fusible Appliqué Pieces

Place the fusible web paper-side up and trace the required templates onto it. Follow the manufacturer's instructions because different fusible products can have slightly different application temperatures and pressing times.

Rough-cut each fusible shape, leaving a small amount of extra material around the traced outline.

Position the adhesive side of the fusible web against the wrong side of the corresponding fabric. Press it into place according to the fusible-web instructions.

Allow everything to cool completely before cutting. Once cooled, carefully cut directly along the traced outlines.

For patchwork bowl sections, complete the fabric piecing before applying the fusible web whenever practical. Press each seam open or to one side so the surface remains as flat as possible.

Keep the three bowl sets separated while working. Labeling them Top Bowl, Middle Bowl, and Bottom Bowl can prevent accidentally mixing pieces of similar size.

Step 3: Make the Patchwork Bowls

Start with the bottom bowl, which is the largest. Arrange your fabric sections until you are satisfied with the balance of prints and colors.

Sew adjacent fabric sections using a consistent seam allowance. After each seam, press carefully so the patchwork panel remains flat.

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Repeat this process for the middle bowl. The graphic shows floral, blue, pink, and yellow fabrics, but your arrangement can vary according to the scraps available in your collection.

Construct the smaller top bowl in the same manner. Pink, green, floral, and cream fabrics create a particularly attractive contrast beneath the bow.

Next, prepare each contrasting bowl rim. The rims should extend slightly beyond the bowl edges, producing the layered appearance visible in the original design.

Position the corresponding rim over the upper portion of each bowl. Secure it with fusible web or pins and later finish its perimeter with decorative stitching.

Step 4: Assemble the Decorative Fabric Bow

The bow is the focal point at the top of the project, so choose prints that contrast nicely with the upper bowl.

Prepare the two main bow sections, the lower ribbon-tail pieces, and the small center section. Floral fabric works beautifully for the large loops, while gingham or another geometric print provides contrast.

If constructing the bow as turned fabric pieces, place matching sections right sides together and sew around the required edges, leaving a small opening for turning.

Clip or notch curved seam allowances carefully without cutting through the stitching. Turn each piece right side out and gently shape the curves.

Press the bow components on an appropriate heat setting. Avoid stretching the fabric while pressing because the curved sections may contain bias edges.

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Arrange the loops, tails, and center piece until the bow resembles the reference design. Secure the layers and finish visible edges with blanket stitch for the handcrafted appliqué appearance.

Step 5: Create the “Home Sweet Home” Labels

Cut three rectangular label pieces from cream, beige, or another light-colored fabric. A neutral background provides enough contrast for the embroidered lettering.

The upper and lower labels should read “Home,” while the center label reads “Sweet.”

Lightly mark the lettering using an erasable fabric marker. Center each word before beginning the embroidery.

Use backstitch to form the letters. Backstitch is particularly suitable because it creates a continuous, clean line that remains easy to read.

Once the lettering is complete, press each label gently from the wrong side using a pressing cloth when necessary.

Position one label in the center of each bowl and attach it with fusible web. Finish around the rectangular perimeter using a small running stitch, blanket stitch, or another neat decorative stitch.

Step 6: Layer and Assemble the Three Bowls

Place the bottom bowl on your work surface first. Center the middle bowl above it so that the lower portion slightly overlaps the bottom rim.

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Add the smallest bowl above the middle bowl. Compare the entire arrangement with the reference image before permanently securing anything.

The finished composition should become progressively narrower toward the top. Maintaining this graduated arrangement is what creates the stacked-container appearance.

Pin or temporarily fuse the layers into position. Measure the complete design and check that it remains close to the intended 32 cm × 25 cm finished size.

Attach the overlapping sections securely using hand stitching or machine stitching. Keep your stitching close enough to the edges that the individual shapes remain clearly defined.

Finally, position the completed bow at the top of the smallest bowl and secure it firmly.

Step 7: Add the Decorative Blanket Stitch

The prominent edging in the graphic is inspired by blanket stitch, one of the most recognizable techniques used for decorative fabric appliqué.

Thread a hand-sewing needle with embroidery floss or decorative thread. For a rustic appearance similar to the graphic, choose tan, brown, caramel, or muted gold.

Work evenly around the exposed edges of each bowl, rim, bow section, and appliqué component. Try to maintain consistent spacing between stitches.

If your sewing machine includes a blanket-stitch setting, you can use machine stitching instead. Test the stitch first on a scrap containing the same fabric and fusible web.

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Decorative stitching serves two purposes: it secures the appliqué edges while also creating the distinctive handmade outline that gives this project much of its personality.

Take extra care around tight curves and corners. Shortening the stitch slightly in these areas can produce smoother outlines.

Step 8: Add the Optional Backing

For a simple appliqué decoration, you can leave the project relatively lightweight. However, the tutorial graphic suggests adding felt or fabric backing for extra firmness.

Place the assembled design over a piece of backing fabric and trace around the complete outside silhouette.

Cut the backing carefully. If you want additional dimension, place a thin layer of batting between the decorative front and backing.

Align all layers and pin or clip them securely. Make sure the backing cannot be seen from the front.

Stitch around the outside perimeter, following the shape of the bowls and bow. A decorative blanket stitch can be used here as well to keep the entire design visually consistent.

Trim any tiny backing sections extending beyond the finished edges.

Step 9: Add a Hanging Loop and Final Details

To display the project as shown in the graphic, prepare a small ribbon, cord, or fabric hanging loop.

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Center the loop behind the upper bow. Make sure it is securely attached to both the backing and the structural fabric underneath rather than only to a decorative appliqué layer.

Before finishing, inspect all three labels and confirm that they read correctly from top to bottom:

Home

Sweet

Home

Check the decorative stitching for loose thread ends. Knot and conceal them on the back whenever possible.

Give the project a final gentle press. Do not flatten padded or dimensional areas aggressively; the goal is simply to smooth the cotton and sharpen the overall shape.

Your finished piece should now be approximately 32 cm high and 25 cm wide, with three colorful patchwork bowls, contrasting rims, decorative stitching, a floral bow, and the complete Home Sweet Home message.

Main Sewing Methods Used

Fusible appliqué is used to hold decorative fabric shapes in position before their edges are permanently stitched. It is especially useful here because the project contains numerous curved and layered pieces.

Patchwork piecing joins several contrasting cotton fabrics to create each colorful bowl. Accurate seams and careful pressing help the finished shapes remain smooth.

Blanket stitch creates the decorative edging visible throughout the design. It can be completed by hand with embroidery floss or by machine with a suitable appliqué stitch.

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Backstitch embroidery is used for the “Home Sweet Home” lettering. Keeping the stitches small and even produces clean, readable words.

Layered appliqué assembly builds the final composition from the largest bowl upward. Working from the background layers toward the foreground helps preserve the correct overlapping order.

With those techniques combined, the project becomes a charming fabric wall hanging that is also a useful introduction to patchwork, appliqué, decorative embroidery, and layered sewing.