

Happy Villages

This is lots of fun. We're going to relax and play. You can't mess this up. Everyone will create a happy little village. Please read all the instructions before cutting fabric.

Fabrics

You will need at least 7 or 8 different fabrics. You will need at least ten 6½" squares. Look for solids, subtle batics or small prints that read solid. You could also use fabric that looks like stones, wood, bricks, or has small subtle stripes. Avoid loose woven fabrics - they will fray. Make sure you have mediums, lights and darks - you will need contrast.

If you want to do a landscape, you'll need extra fabric for sky, water, mountains, etc.

Other Supplies Required

- Book - Happy Villages by Karen Eckmeier
- One 16 ½ x 16 ½ square of cotton batting (or the size you want your village to be. If your batting is larger, you will need more than 10 ea. 6 ½ " squares).
- Marking pencil or chalk.
- Fabric scissors & paper scissors
- Fabric glue (not a glue stick) with an applicator tip

Optional

- Rotary cutter and mat
- Rotary cutter with wave, scallop or pinking blades
- Pinking shears.



Other supplies you will need but not for class

You will need ½ yard of tulle, ½ yard of backing and ¼ yard of binding. You can't choose the tulle color until you've created your village. You'll be surprised at how different your village will look depending on the tulle color. I will have several colors for auditioning and Hobby Lobby and JoAnn's carries lots of colors.

Homework

You will need at least 10 ea. 6 ½ " squares of fabric. So cut 10 (or more if you have more fabrics) 6 ½ " x 6 ½ " Then bring the remaining fabric to class to use for roofs, windows, doors, steps, etc. If you have other fabrics you wish to use for doors, windows and roofs, bring those fabrics too. You may want to swap fabrics with your classmates too. When you are finished you should have at least 10 squares. Some may be from the same fabric.

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