

Decorative Tea Towel Placemats

These placemats are simple and fun ... More great words this time of year! And you can get two placemats from each towel (and a half yard of fashion fabric... Or use towel front and back to make one placemat from each towel!)

The deep red tea towels (about 20" X 28") I picked up at a boutique I go to each year on Black Friday. I am using a Christmas fabric for backing. Oh and they are reversible!

The placemats measure about 13" x 19" finished.

I just cut the towel in half, trimmed off the hems, cut the fashion fabric the same size, placed right sides together and sewed around the edge. Of course I left an opening to turn, trimmed my corners and turned right side out. I think the success of the placemat depends on how well those corners poke out so I use my favorite tool...a retracted mechanical pencil to really make sharp corners! Then I top stitched around the edge for a quick finish, being sure to catch that opening.



I am playing with some decorative stitching on the tea towel side but that is optional. Also I have a couple of yards of that lining fabric to make a festive tablecloth and napkins. It's gonna be beautiful at Christmas!

Merry! Merry!