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Mar 19 2014 by Marsha H Role fabric box tutorial, stacking fabric boxes

After reading various blog posts I've written, one of my faithful (and talented) readers, made a wonderful set of stacking fabric boxes for her sweet grand-daughter. Not only did she make this wonderful stack but she taught a "Make and Take" class on the fabric box.

When I begged her to let me take photos, I hadn't thought about making her my "Featured Quilter" in a post but I decided on it as these boxes are just absolutely adorable and her grand-daughter is going to love this Easter gift from her loving Granny. I bet you'll fall in love with them too!



Aren't these amazing? All those gorgeous pastels!! Linda wrote up her own tutorial for the class she taught and she gave the measurements for the various boxes.



She shared the sizes of the quilted squares and how much of a dart she took for each one. I'm going to share Linda's tutorial and the various sizes she used to make her stacking baskets. She gave credit to Seaside-Stitches.blogspot.com and my blog as she saw the fabric box on one of my Friday Finds. Here's Linda's version of the Fabric Bowl (box) tutorial. Thanks to Linda for these simple instructions with great dimensional details.

#### Fabric Bowl Tutorial by Linda Payne

You will need:

(2) squares of fabric, between 8" and 12" (Her large sample is 12" square.)

A piece of batting the same size as the fabric or a little bigger.

A walking foot, if you have one.

Step 1. Layer the fabric, right sides together, on top of the batting.

Step 2. Stitch 1/4" seam around perimeter, leaving an opening of about 4" on one side.

Step 3. Trim corners. Trim batting to reduce bulk, if desired.

Step 4. Turn right side out and press.

Step 5. Stitch around edge, catching opening in edge stitching.

Step 6. Quilt as desired. Linda stitched concentric squares.

Step 7. Fold the quilted square in half diagonally, right side out. Mark a 2 1/2" triangle in the corners at the fold. Stitch the two bottom corners.



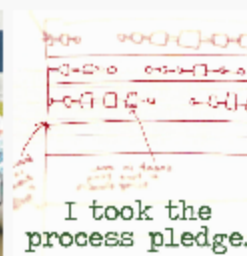
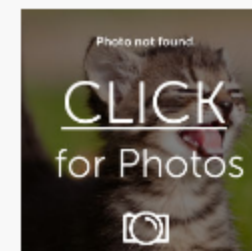
Step 8. Open it up and fold in other direction, marking and stitching remaining 2 corners.



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Step 9. Tack corners down if desired.

To Make the Nesting Bowls:

Make each square 1" to 2" smaller and darts 1/8" to 1/4" shorter. Linda did the following sizes, measuring from tip of fold across the top edges and dart was measured right angle down.

8" square with 2" dart

9" square with 2 1/8" dart

10" square with 2 1/4" dart

11" square with 2 3/8" dart

11 3/4" square with 2 1/2" dart

12 1/2" square with 2 1/2" dart



I hope you enjoyed Linda's tutorial and can't you just see her grand-daughter sorting things and putting her playthings in these boxes?

I also wanted to say that Linda was the instigator for the Monday night "Make and Take" sessions that have been happening each week this winter in our Clubhouse. Linda taught a large number of these sessions herself, with many of the ideas she found in my Friday Finds posts. I'm pleased that she could put them to use teaching others the enjoyment and sense of accomplishment that comes from making something.

Thank you, dear Linda, for the contents of this post and being my first Featured Quilter.

Marsha




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 **Linda W**  
What an awesome idea for Easter! The ladies at Plantation are the best!! Please tell Linda that I love what she did....Hugs!!!  
March 19, 2014  
8:44 pm

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 **Linda P**  
Thanks for making me the featured quilter on your blog. Gee, you make me sound good and I feel famous! The idea for the nesting bowls or baskets or whatever you want to call them was not my original idea. I saw a set of three on the net some time back but could not find the source again so I just re-created the idea and made my own tutorial. I would love to give credit to the original designer.  
March 20, 2014  
10:12 am

Thanks for all your wonderful Friday Finds. You will never know how far and wide your "tutes" and "finds" travel, especially in the RV community.

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 **Quilter in Motion**  
You are good and your finished projects always rock!!! Neat and well-done, every one of them.  
March 20, 2014  
9:02 pm

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 **Betty T**  
Looking forward to following your blog.  
March 25, 2014  
11:14 pm

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**Quilter in Motion**

Welcome Betty

March 26, 2014  
8:27 am



**Anna**

These nesting bowls are adorable! I love the colors and the quilted detailing. They remind me of nesting bowls I saw a few years ago in Brett Bara's book "Sewing in a Straight Line". It's a great book for the beginning sewist. Here is a trailer for the book in which she sews the bowls: <http://vimeo.com/26606422>

January 31, 2015  
11:04 am



**Quilter in Motion**

Those are really cute, Anna. Thanks for sharing!

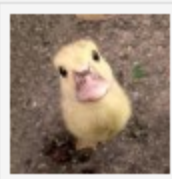
January 31, 2015  
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**Karen**

When I made these to use in the microwave, I used microwave safe batting. I gave them as a side giftie at Christmas and they were very well received.

February 6, 2015  
5:15 pm



**Jennifer Vowles**

Did you just use quilt batting? I have seen these bowls before and they used the quilt batting. Please let me know so I do not waste my time making something that cannot be used in the microwave!

July 23, 2015  
1:11 am



**Quilter in Motion**

Jennifer, I didn't make those bowls. They were made by a friend in Alabama and I was so impressed by the stacked number of bowls. I do not know what she used for the insides. I use 100% cotton batting when I make bowls that are meant for use in the microwave. Definitely!!!!

July 23, 2015  
3:33 pm

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**Marsha H**

Thank you for crediting my blog!

September 9, 2015  
8:02 pm

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