

the making of a hankerchief quilt

May 6, 2016 by Tina — 3 Comments

IMG_0016Do you have a collection of vintage hankies and you aren't quite sure what to do with them?

Maybe they've been sitting in a basket because you hate the thought of cutting them? *It's almost like making that first cut into a pretty birthday cake.*



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As I was working on a custom Mother's Day hankie quilt this week (and sharing pictures on Instagram) so many of you asked for more details so you could make your own.



oh, hello there !

Come join me as I share about my family, a love for taking pictures, all things colorful, sewing, crafts, everyday life & the beautiful gift we have been given in raising one of God's special children.



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Hankiechiefs are so beautiful and most of them hold great family memories so as I was planning this quilt it made me cringe a little at the thought of losing the fun eyes on these pieces.

Guess what?

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You don't have to.

hankies2Hankiechief Quilt Instructions:

- ▼ Choose 20 of your favorite hankies. Have fun mix them up.
- ▼ Find your largest piece and measure it. Mine largest was 14" square.
- ▼ Cut 20 white squares 1" bigger than your largest hankie. (I cut mine 15" square) That will create the uniformity for piecing.
- ▼ For each square spray baste the hankie to your white fabric square and top stitch around the outer edge.
- ▼ After all 20 squares are made stitch them together 4 in a row, until you have 5 rows.

layout

My quilted ended up measuring about 58" x 71". Perfect lap size quilt right?

You can sew together as many or as few squares as you like. Don't be afraid to make your quilt top wider or longer. This is only a guideline to help you get started.

quilting

I quilted right over the tops of the hankies It really helped to blend them all together into one beautiful quilty piece.



Simple & sweet right? Now it's your turn

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About Tina

AS soon as I SAW YOU, I knew an ADVENTURE was going to happen.
-Winnie the Pooh

Comments



Barbara Thibeault says
May 6, 2016 at 7:55 PM

Thank you so much for doing this.....👍🙏🌸😊

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Cindy says
May 6, 2016 at 9:38 PM

This is such a wonderful way to display and use those hankies! Now I want to go to a flea market and get me some!

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Lynn Hinson says
May 18, 2016 at 11:09 PM

I've got some pretty hankies from my mom & grandmas just waiting for the right quilt pattern to come along! I saw your quilt on IG and loved it!! I'm so happy you took time to do the tutorial! It's a perfect way to save the entire hankies from being chopped up! I couldn't cut them, especially silk ones!! Thanks so much !!

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