

# CURVY PLACEMATS

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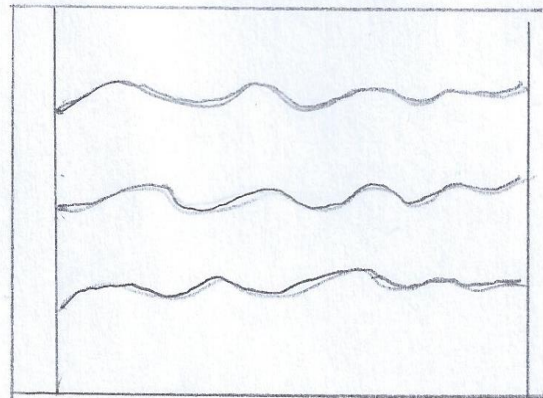
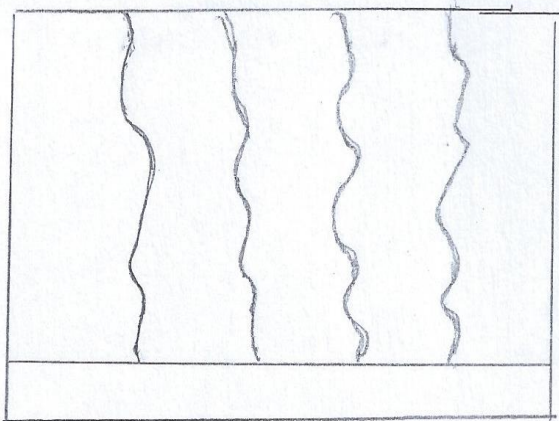
This placemat technique is one I learned in a class at Steve's a several years ago when I purchased my first Babylock sewing & embroidery machine. It is fun and easy to do, and I hope you enjoy putting this curvy placemat puzzle together.

Supply list for 2 placemats:

- ½ yard of 2 coordinating fabrics
- ½ yard of fabric for the back of placemat
- 2 ¼ yards of Heat & Bond Lite
- ½ yard of fusible fleece
- Matching thread
- Contrasting thread for decorative stitching

## DIRECTIONS

1. From each of the coordinating fabrics cut 14 x 20" pieces.
  - a. This will work with any size that you want to use. I like to make it large enough to fit a dinner plate, salad plate and a glass.
2. Fuse Heat & Bond to the wrong side of each of the above fabrics
  - a. Remove the back of the Heat & Bond – and save it.
3. With a fabric marker, draw a line 1" along the long edge of fabric #1
4. With a fabric marker, draw a line 1" along the short edge of fabric #2.
5. With a rotary cutter, cut as follows.
  - a. DO **NOT** CUT BEYOND THE STRAIGHT LINES ON THE SHORT & LONG EDGES.



6. Using the protective paper that you previously saved, lay out the 2 fabrics.
  - a. It makes it easier if you have a flat surface under the paper.
7. Weave the 2 fabrics together starting at the **uncut** edge.
8. Adjust the fabrics. When you are satisfied, press them together using the protective paper. Be sure to put the **shiny** side next to the placemat; otherwise, when you press, it will become glued to the placemat.
9. Trim the edges.
10. Fuse the fleece to the backing fabric.
11. Pin together all layers: top layer, fleece and back fabric.
12. Sew a decorative stitch along all the waves and through all layers.
13. Bind or serge the edges.
14. Placemats are finished!

