

# Snow Cool

**Finished Size 13" x 15"**

Fusible Web Appliqué with Embroidery Details

## Materials

- 14" x 12" piece of Light Blue fabric (Background)
- 1/4 yard ( .25 m.) of Red fabric (Border)
- Scraps of orange, gold, black and red fabrics for appliqué pieces
- 8" x 10" piece of white fabric for snowman
- 14" x 16" piece of backing fabric and batting
- fusible web
- thread for piecing, finishing appliqué pieces and quilting
- stabilizer for appliqué pieces
- embroidery floss or no. 8 perle cotton in black, brown and gold and embroidery needle
- small black buttons (optional)
- usual quilting supplies (rotary cutter, ruler, etc.)

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I love winter: the nip in the air and the falling snowflakes making everything fresh and new again. And the best thing about snow - making snowmen. It's just "Snow Cool"!

## **Before you begin...**

Please read through the complete pattern instructions, check the supply list and gather all of your fabrics and tools together before you start this (or any other!) project.

I prefer to pre-wash all of my fabrics before using them in my projects. If you wish to do the same, please do so before beginning construction of this project.

The fabric quantities used in this pattern assume a usable fabric width of 42".

Unless otherwise indicated, seam allowances are ¼" and fabrics are stitched right sides together.

WOF = width of fabric

This pattern is for fusible web appliqué and the pattern pieces have already been reversed for you and do not include seam allowances. If you wish to use another appliqué technique, please reverse the pattern pieces (symmetrical shapes do not need to be reversed) and purchase extra fabric if you are adding seam allowances.

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Wishing you and yours the very merriest of holiday seasons.

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## **Cutting and Construction**

### **Cutting**

#### **1. Light blue fabric (Background):**

- Cut fabric into a 13½" x 11½" rectangle.

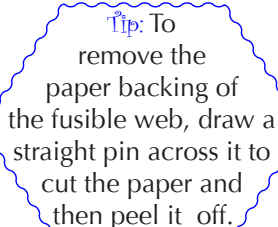
#### **2. Red Fabric (Border #1):**

- Cut 2 - 2" x WOF strips; sub-cut into 2 - 12½" x 2" strips and 2 - 13½" x 2" strips

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## Constructing the appliqué

1. Trace the appliqué pieces onto the paper side of the fusible web. Be sure to leave ¼" around each pattern piece for ease in cutting.
2. Cut out each traced appliqué piece about ⅛" away from the outside of the traced lines. Do not cut out exactly on the traced line – yet!
3. Take the appliqué fabrics and lay them *right side down* on your ironing surface. The wrong side of the fabric will be facing you. Press the fabric before fusing to ensure that there are no wrinkles. Place the traced appliqué pieces rough (fusible) side down on the *wrong side* of the selected fabrics (the paper side of the fusible web will be on top). Note: When fusing your traced appliqué pieces onto your fabric, avoid fusing in the selvage area and watch pattern orientation.
4. Following the manufacturer's recommendations, fuse the appliqué pattern pieces to the *wrong side* of the fabric. Allow to cool.
5. Cut out the appliqué pattern pieces on the traced lines and remove the paper backing. Using the appliqué placement guide and photograph for assistance, move the pieces around



**Tip:** To remove the paper backing of the fusible web, draw a straight pin across it to cut the paper and then peel it off.

until you are satisfied with the look. Don't worry if your wallhanging doesn't look exactly like the picture – individuality is a good thing!

6. Using the manufacturer's instructions, fuse the appliqué pieces to the background fabric. Be sure that all of your appliqué pieces are at least ¼" in from any raw edge so they won't be caught in the seam allowance when adding the border.

## Finishing the appliqué

1. To prevent the appliqué pieces from falling off when you wash the wallhanging, you may wish to finish the edges of all appliqué pieces using a satin stitch (short, narrow zigzag stitch), a machine or hand blanket stitch or an invisible zigzag stitch. Choose an appropriate thread colour that coordinates with your appliqué fabrics. Don't forget to use an appropriate weight of stabilizer behind each piece to avoid puckering the background fabric.
2. Carefully remove the stabilizer from the back of the fabric, following the manufacturer's recommendations.
3. Trace the snowman's arms and the large star onto the background fabric with a water soluble fabric pen. Using no. 8 perle cotton or 3 strands of embroidery floss, embroider the arms and large star with a backstitch and the eyes and stars on the snowman with french knots. For stitch instructions, please visit

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www.chatterboxquilts.com. If desired, you could use small black buttons for the eyes and star centres, as in the sample.

4. Trim the background to 12½" x 10½". Spray it with water to remove the traced lines. Allow to dry completely.
5. Lightly press the entire wallhanging centre from the back.

## Adding Border #1

1. Take the 2 previously cut 12½" x 2" strips of Red fabric and stitch them to both sides of the background fabric. Press the seams to the border fabric.
2. Take the 2 previously cut 13½" x 2" strips of Red fabric and stitch them to the top and bottom of the background fabric. Press the seam towards the border fabric.

Congratulations! You've completed the wallhanging top! Now on to the quilting and non-binding...

## Finishing

1. Cut a piece of batting and backing 13½" x 15½".
2. Due to the small size of this project, you can use the pillowcase method, rather than applying binding to it. Layer your project as follows, aligning all edges:
  - batting
  - wallhanging pieced top
  - backing, wrong side up

3. Using a walking foot, stitch through all layers using a ¼" seam. Leave 3 - 4" open along one side to turn the project. Clip the corners and turn the project right side out. Press lightly and stitch the opening closed.
4. Baste the layers together using your favourite method (pins, hand basting, etc.).
5. Choose a thread that coordinates with your fabrics and quilt the wallhanging as desired. Suggested quilting is to stitch ¼" in from all edges to simulate binding. Stitch in the ditch between the background and the border and quilt swirls in the interior to simulate snow.
6. Add a hanging sleeve and a label and you're done!

Enjoy!

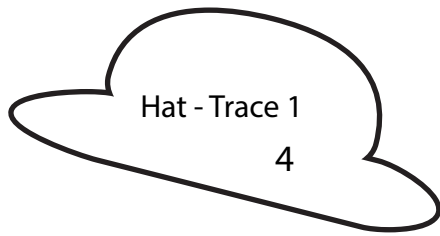
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Appliqué Placement Guide - not to scale

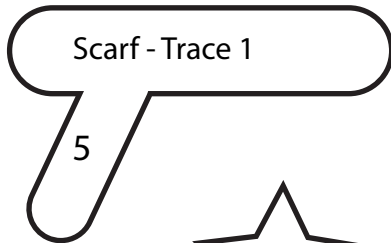


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Hat - Trace 1

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Scarf - Trace 1

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Star #3 -  
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Star #1 -  
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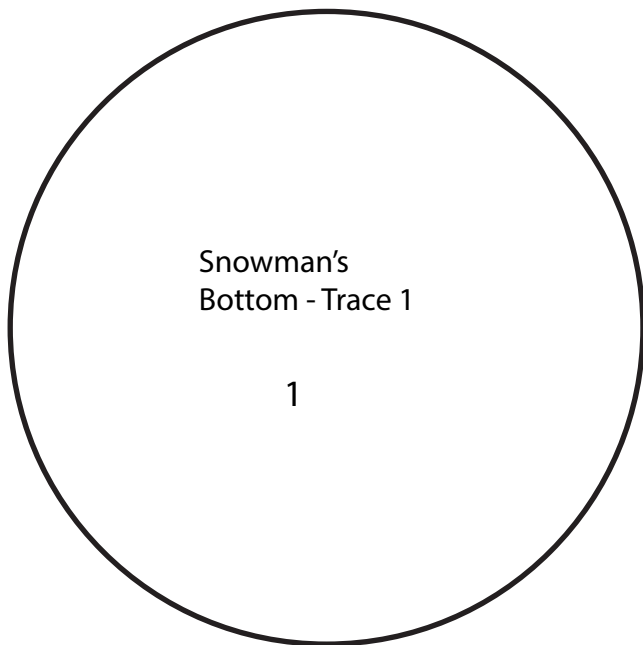
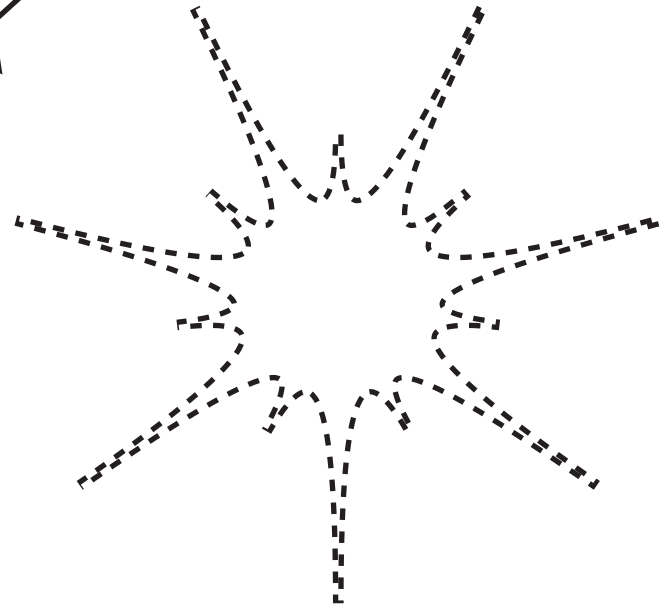
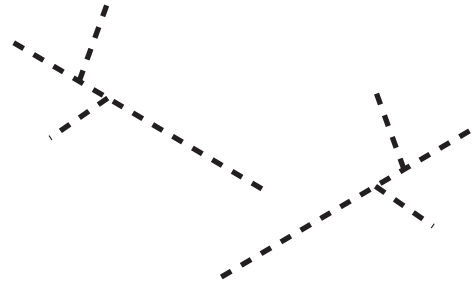
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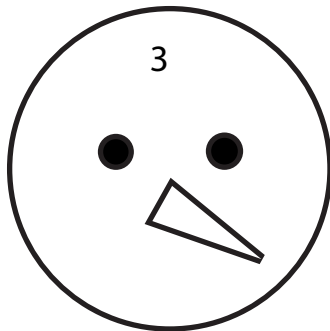
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large star on fabric and  
embroider



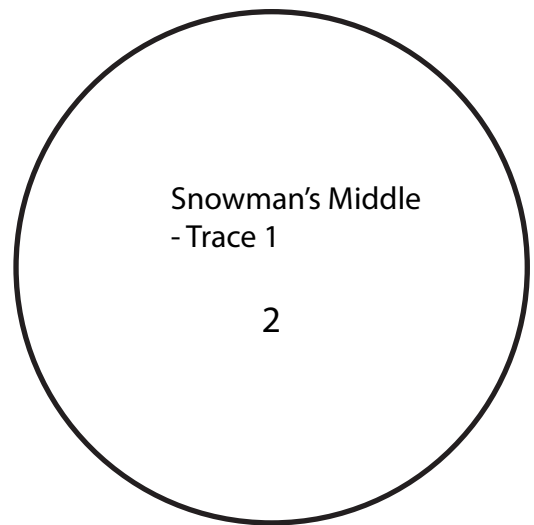
Snowman's  
Bottom - Trace 1

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Snowman's Head  
& Nose - Trace 1

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Snowman's Middle  
- Trace 1

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