

# Hexagon Kaleidoscope Table Runner

An original quilt by Kimberly Mason for Sugar n' Spice, Morton

Approximately 36" x 17"

## Materials List

**1/2 yd.** background fabric

**1 yd.** for the hexagons, *approximately*. You will have to study your chosen fabric to determine how much fabric you will need to buy to have 6 repeats.

**3/4 yd.** backing and binding



1. Cut 6" strips from your border fabric to prepare to cut triangles for the hexagon blocks. I used the "Let's Do Coffee" & Galaxy Collection by E.E. Schenck Company for my table runner. The Coffee Cup fabric has three repeats in each 36" long strip, so I need two strips of each pattern to get your six repeats ( $3 \times 2 = 6$ ).



2. Match the patterns and pin the two layers together. Search for your three repeats.

Make sure that you will have enough room to make your three cuts on the strip. Attack this pattern with careful thought and not try to rush ahead.



3. Place your 60° Triangle ruler over your chosen repeat, with the ruler's 6" line at the cut edge.



4. You'll need to cut a total of 6 identical triangles of the blue checkers.



5. And six identical triangles of the green checkers.



6. Then your tan checked triangles from another set of strips.



7. And then for your smallest triangles, place your 60° Triangle ruler over your chosen repeat, with the ruler's 3" line at the cut edge. You will need four sets of two (a total of eight) of the 3" triangles.



8. I hope that this is all clearer than mud!



9. Now the really FUN part! Lay out your pieces on your design wall. Stand back. Admire your work. THIS IS A REQUIRED STEP!

This is time for you to stop, take a breath and relax. You will be working with only a small portion at a time. It is much too easy to become confused if you "gather, stack and sew." This isn't a race and it's supposed to be fun, not a blood pressure raising activity.

Okay, enough scolding, on with the show.



10. Now let's cut the background strips. You will be cutting your strips **parallel to the selvage**. Cut four strips at 6", these you will pair with your 3" triangles. Line up the wide bottom of your 60° Triangle ruler on the long cut edge of your strips, cut. Turn your ruler upside down and cut again. You will need a total of eight (8) of these pieces.



11. Now cut three (3) strips at 2½". Line up the wide bottom of your 60° Triangle ruler on the long cut edge of your strips, cut. Turn your ruler upside down and cut again. You will need a total of six (6) of these pieces.



12. You will end up with lots of pieces left over. See my pile of leftovers? So no worries!



13. Add your background pieces to your design wall layout. Take some time to admire again.



14. Let's start with Row 1 on the far left and sew the background border pieces to the three kaleidoscope pieces.

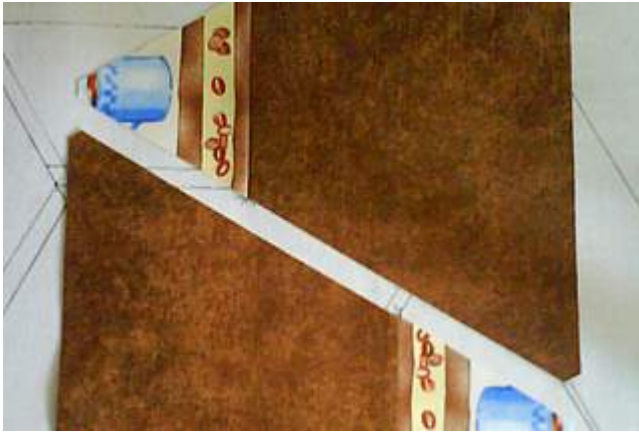


15. Press two of your seams allowances towards the background and one towards the kaleidoscope.



16. Now trim off the excess.

17. Then sew your your 3" triangles to your large background pieces.



18. They'll fit together much better if you press one seam allowance toward the background and one toward the triangle.



21. It's all going together beautifully! Keep going!



19. Now start sewing your rows together.



22. Now you can lay your long ruler along the side of your table runner and even up the edge.



20. Here on Rows 2 through 5, you will cut off the excess background fabric as shown.



23. Pat yourself on the back and take a deep breath. Admire your wonderful self!

24. Then take a walk. Take a friend with you. Take joy in the day.