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Large Notepad, finished size (closed): 9 3/4" by 12 1/4"

Small Notepad, finished size (closed): 6 1/2" by 8 3/4"



The Foundations:

- The larger notepad uses the *Everlasting Tree* foundation from *Miniatures in Minutes*.
- The smaller notepad uses the *Tumbler* foundation from *Miniatures in Minutes*. The smaller notepad does not use the full foundation as it is presented in the book. Instead:
 - Copy the two foundation pages given on the foldout and join as usual.
 - Trim off the bottom row so that only 8 rows remain.
 - On the printed side of your foundation, line up the 4 1/2" mark on your ruler with the left margin seam line. Draw a line from top to bottom on the foundation. I drew this line with a red ultra-fine Sharpie permanent marker. When you trim your foundation after sewing, this is the cutting line (it includes the seam allowance).
 - You will piece seven Tumbler patches across each row – 56 patches total.

Fabric Requirements:

Small Notepad

Outside:

Foundation patches, light to dark: scraps

Inner border: 1/8 yard or scraps

Outer border/backing: 1 fat quarter

Inside:

Lining: 1 fat quarter

Pocket: 1 fat quarter

Large Notepad

Outside:

Foundation section: fabric requirements given in *Miniatures in Minutes*

Inner border: 1/8 yard

Outer border/backing: 1 fat quarter

Inside:

Lining: 1 fat quarter

Pocket: 1/2 yard

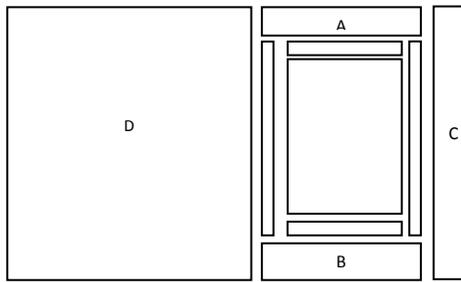
Additional Supplies

Fast2Fuse

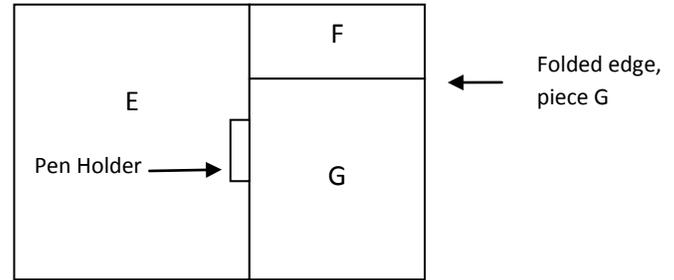
Steam-A-Seam or other fusible web

Assembly Diagram:

Since the two notepads are different sizes, these diagrams are not drawn to size. Use only as a visual guide for patch placement.



Outer Cover



Inside

Cutting Directions:

Small Notepad

Foundation: cut 56 patches $1\frac{1}{4}$ " by $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". Use the Tumbler template from *Miniatures in Minutes* to trim to size.

Inner border:

Cut two strips $\frac{3}{4}$ " by $4\frac{3}{4}$ ".

Cut two strips $\frac{3}{4}$ " by 7".

Outer border:

Cut one strip (A) $1\frac{1}{2}$ " by $5\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Cut one strip (B) $1\frac{3}{4}$ " by $5\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Cut one strip (C) $1\frac{1}{4}$ " by $9\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Cut one rectangle (D) 8" by $9\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Inside Lining, Pocket, Pen Holder:

Cut one rectangle (E) $9\frac{1}{4}$ " by $13\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Cut two rectangles (F) 6" by $9\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Cut one rectangle (G) 6" by $14\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Cut one rectangle (pen holder) $2\frac{1}{2}$ " by 6".

Fast2Fuse:

Cut one rectangle $9\frac{1}{4}$ " by $13\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Steam-A-Seam or other fusible web:

Cut one rectangle 6" by $9\frac{1}{4}$ " (for piece F).

Cut one rectangle 6" by $7\frac{1}{4}$ " (for piece G).

Cut one rectangle 2 1/2" by 6" (for pen holder).

Large Notepad

Foundation and inner border: follow Everlasting Tree directions from *Miniatures in Minutes*

Outer Border:

Cut two rectangles (A, B) 2 1/4" by 7 3/4".

Cut one rectangle (C) 1 3/4" by 12 3/4".

Cut one rectangle (D) 12" by 12 3/4".

Inside Lining, Pocket, Pen Holder:

Cut one rectangle (E) 12 3/4" by 20 1/2".

Cut two rectangles (F) 9 1/2" by 12 3/4".

Cut one rectangle (G) 20 1/2" by 12 3/4".

Cut one rectangle (pen holder) 2 1/2" by 6".

Fast2Fuse:

Cut one rectangle 12 3/4" by 20 1/2".

Steam-A-Seam or other fusible web:

Cut one rectangle 9 1/2" by 12 3/4" (for piece F).

Cut one rectangle 9 1/2" by 10 1/4" (for piece G).

Cut one rectangle 2 1/2" by 6" (for pen holder).

Assembly Directions:

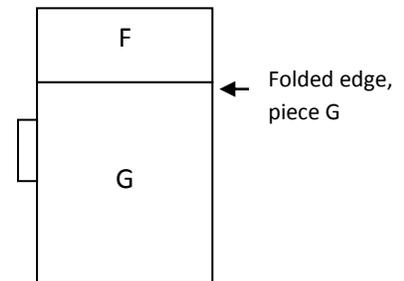
Outside

1. Assemble foundation, remove paper, press.
2. Add top and bottom inner borders to the pieced section. Press.
3. Add the side inner borders. Press.
4. Add pieces A and B to top and bottom (see assembly diagram). Press.
5. Add pieces C and D to the sides (see assembly diagram). Press.
6. Press the front section to the Fast2Fuse. Follow product directions to ensure that you have firmly adhered the fabric to the interfacing.
7. Optional: Add stitching. *It is not necessary to stitch the fabric to the Fast2Fuse, but I like to stitch in the ditch along the outer edge of the pieced foundation. Adding some decorative quilting is also a nice touch.*

Inside

1. Press piece E to the Fast2Fuse.
2. Create the pen holder:

- a. Fuse the Steam-A-Seam or other fusible product to the wrong side of the penholder fabric.
 - b. Fold the short ends in so that they meet in the middle. The resulting shape measures 2 1/2" by 3". Iron to fuse.
 - c. Fold the pen holder lengthwise with the raw edges to the inside. You might want to adjust the size of the holder to meet your pen size (figure about 1/4" will overlap into piece F).
 - d. Baste the raw edges to hold together.
3. Assemble the notepad pocket pieces:
- a. Fuse Steam-a-Seam or other fusible product to the wrong side of one of the F pieces.
 - b. Place the pen holder so that the raw edges overlap onto the fused piece F about a quarter of an inch.
 - c. Place the second piece F on top of the first, wrong sides together. Fuse, catching the pen holder inside the two pieces.
 - d. Fuse Steam-A-Seam or other fusible product to the bottom half of the wrong side of piece G. Fold the top half down over the bottom half. Iron to fuse.
4. Assemble the notepad pocket:
- a. Place piece G over piece F with their left, right, and bottom edges aligned. Place piece G so that the folded edge is at the top.
 - b. Satin stitch up the left side edges.



Joining the Sections, Finishing

1. Trim the inside/outside/Fast2Fuse section of the notepad.
 - Small notepad: 8 3/4" by 13"*
 - Large notepad: 12 1/4" by 20"*
2. Trim the notepad pocket section to size, trimming only off the top, bottom, and right (raw-edge) sides.
 - Small notepad: 5 3/4" by 8 3/4"*
 - Large notepad: 9 1/4" by 12 1/4"*
3. Lay the covered Fast2Fuse section of the notepad so that the outside (foundation side) is face down with the foundation pieced section to the left; the lining will be face up.
4. Place the pocket edge on top with piece G facing you and the raw edges aligned along the top, bottom and right sides (see assembly diagram). Lightly pin in place.
5. Satin stitch around all the outer edges of the notepad.
 - Note: You could also choose to bind the edges if you prefer.*
6. Place a note pad in the pocket and a pen in the holder.



7. Now fold over the cover. Crease lightly along the center fold to shape.
8. Prop your new notepad in front of you, sit back, admire. Latte and chocolate optional but highly recommended.

*** For additional photos of notepads made with this pattern, see page 37 and page 52 of *Miniatures in Minutes*.

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