THE NATURE OF CREATIVITY

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Making a Patchwork Star Decoration

SUPPLIES

- Scraps of fine cotton or silk
- Patchwork template: diamond
- Needle
- Thread
- Stuffing
- Buttons
- Perle cotton or ribbon





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STEP 1:

MAKING THE DIAMOND PATCHWORK PIECES

Put the template on the back of the fabric and draw round it about 5mm from the edge.



Cut out ten diamond shapes in a variety of fabrics



Turn over the edges all around the template and tack firmly in place.
Sew through the template.



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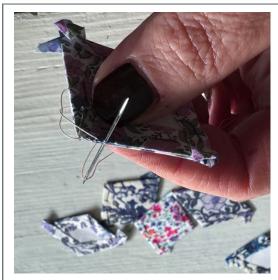
STEP 2:

JOINING THE PIECES INTO STARS

Lay out the star and decide on a composition then iron well and leave to cool.



Put right sides together and sew pieces together - from the center of the star to the outside.



When you have two completed stars, lay them flat and iron and leave to cool.



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STEP 3:

SEWING THE STARS TOGETHER

Carefully snip all the tacking threads and remove.
then take out the paper templates.



Using a steam iron cover the star with a cloth and steam flat.

Leave to cool.



Pin the two stars together, wrong sides together and sew round the outside leaving two sides open.



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STEP 4:

STUFFING

Double over hanging
thread and make a large
knot at the end.
Use needle to pull thread
through one point, the
knot will secure it.



Lightly stuff the star, gently pushing the stuffing into the points.



Sew up the open edges with small oversew stitches.



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STEP 4:

FINISHING OFF

Quilt the star with small running stitches following the sewing lines of the patchwork pieces.



Sew buttons to the centre front and back.



