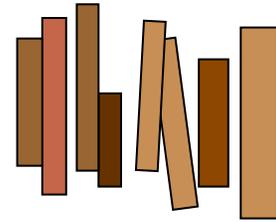


Round Mug Mat: A string quilting pattern for a mug mat, hot pad, or indoor Frisbee. Find more string projects in *String Quilt Style* by Mary M. Hogan, Landauer Publishing, 2016.

This round mug mat is made from leftover fabric and batting. A basket coffee filter is used as a foundation.

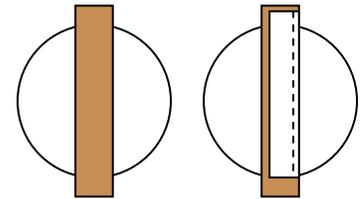
Materials needed

- (1) Regular size basket coffee filter; iron flat
- (1) 9" square of cotton batting (use 2 if making a hot pad)
- (2) 6"X 9" rectangles fabric for backing
- Small amounts of assorted fabric; cut into strings from 1"-2" wide

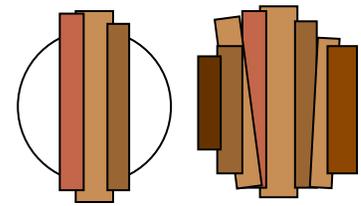


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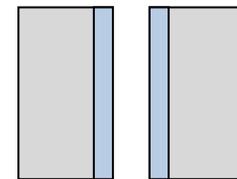
1. Place a string right side up at about the center of the coffee filter foundation. Put another string right side down and sew in place with a 1/4" seam. Open and press.



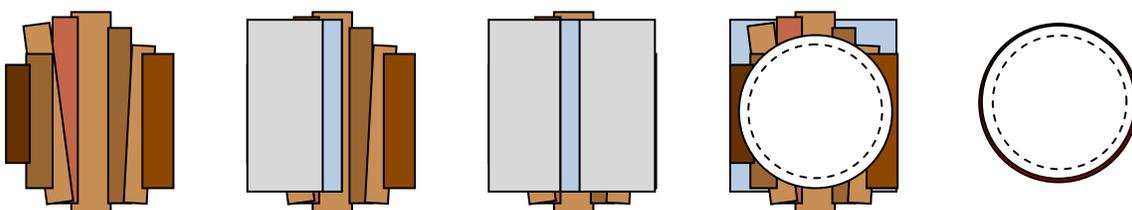
2. Continue adding strings until the foundation is covered. Press after each set of new strings. Vary the string size, angle, and fabric; include really crooked strings and really skinny strings.



3. Fold and press 1" to the wrong side on the long edge of each 6"X 9" backing piece. Wrong sides after folding and pressing →



4. Place the covered foundation right side up. Place the two backing pieces right side down overlapping the folded edges at the center. Pin in place. Turn over and sew 1/4" from the edge of the coffee filter. Trim to the edge of the coffee filter. Carefully remove the paper foundation.



5. Put the batting square on the wrong side of the pieced circle and pin. Turn the mug mat over and, using a walking foot, sew the batting into place just inside the previous sewing line. Trim the batting. Turn the mug mat right side out and press carefully. Sew the opening by hand. Stitch about 3/8" from the outside edge of the mug mat, and machine quilt as desired.