MERRY AND BRIGHT TABLE RUNNER

PROJECT SIZE:
45½" x 18½"

PROJECT TOP
½ yard background fabric
Missouri Star Merry and Bright Pre-Cut Fused
Applique Pack or Alternative Supplies:
- ¾ yard Heat n Bond Lite
- ¾ yard black solid fabric
- (1) 2" strip each of 5 different solid-colored fabrics
3 yards of ¼" bias tape

BORDER
¼ yard

BINDING
½ yard

BACKING
¾ yard - cut in half lengthwise and pieced together
with vertical seam(s)

1 CUT
From the background fabric, cut (1) 15" strip
across the width of the fabric. Subcut (1)
15" x 42" rectangle.

From the bias tape, cut (6) 15" lengths of bias
tape.

2 OPTIONAL APPLIQUÉ
Note: If you are using the package of precut
prefused appliqué pieces, you can skip this
section.
Use the templates found on pages 4-6 or draw
your own letters and shapes. Trace all outlines
onto the paper side of the Heat n Bond. Always
apply the fusible web following the
manufacturer's instructions.

From the Heat n Bond Lite:
- Cut (1) 7" strip across the width of the fusible
  web. Trace the & symbol and surrounding
  dashes and the letters M E R and R onto this
  strip.

- Cut (2) 3½" strips across the width of the
  fusible web. Trace the letters Y B R I G H T
  onto
  the strips.

- Cut (5) 1½" strips across the width of the
  fusible web. Trace the lightbulb templates
  found
  on page 5 onto the paper side of the fusible
  web 6 times on each strip.

- Cut (2) 1" strips across the width of the
  fusible web. Trace the lightbulb base
  template found
  on page 5 onto the paper side of the fusible
  web 15 times on each strip.

From the black solid fabric:
- Cut (1) 7½″ strip across the width of the fabric. Apply the 7″ strip of fusible web to the reverse side of the fabric.

- Cut (1) 4″ strip across the width of the fabric. Apply the (2) 3½″ strips of fusible web to the reverse side of the fabric.

- Cut (1) 1½″ strip across the width of the fabric. Apply the (2) 1″ strips of fusible web on the reverse side of the fabric.

From each of the remaining 5 solid fabrics, cut (1) 2″ strip across the width of each fabric. Apply 1 of the 1½″ strips of fusible web to the reverse side of each fabric strip.
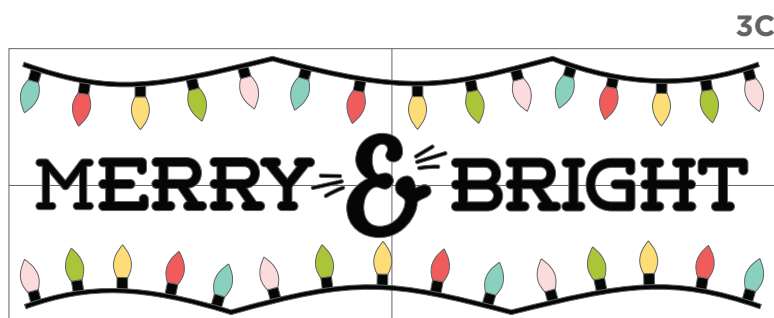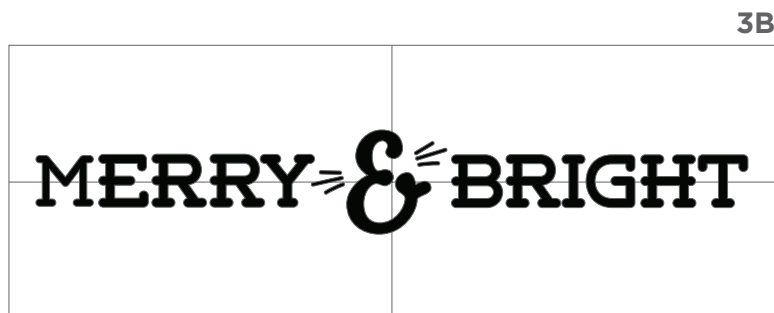
Neatly cut the letters, symbols, and shapes on the traced lines, then remove and discard the paper backing.

3 ARRANGE & PRESS
Fold the 15″ x 42″ background rectangle in half horizontally and vertically and lightly press. **3A**

Use the creased lines as a guide to position the appliqué pieces to your liking on the background rectangle. We placed the center of the ampersand directly in the intersection of the creased lines. Press in place when you are satisfied. **3B**

Add 3 lengths of bias tape to the top of your background square to create a string of lights. Add 5 lightbulbs to each length. Place the lightbulb base on top of the lightbulb. Press in place. Repeat to add the string of lightbulbs to the bottom of the background square. **3C**

3A

3B

3C

4 TOPSTITCH

Topstitch down the center of the bias tape and around each of the appliqué pieces as shown. **4A**

Tip: You can use a thread that matches your lightbulbs if you would like the topstitching to blend in.

5 BORDER

From the border fabric, cut (3) 2½″ strips across the width of the fabric. Cut the side borders from 1 strip and trim the 2 remaining strips to the length needed for the top and bottom borders. Measure your project width and trim the top and bottom borders to the same length, approximately 42″. Sew the top and bottom borders to your project, then press. Measure your project height and trim the side borders to the same length, approximately 19″. Sew the side borders to your project, then press.

6 QUILT & BIND

Layer the project with batting and backing, then quilt. Add binding to finish your table runner.

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