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Bread Basket



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If you decide to try Debbie's delicious recipe for Hot Cross Buns, then you might like this cute little bread basket to present them on Easter morning. It's a really easy make and I've chosen a couple of lines from the traditional English nursery rhyme "One a penny... two a penny" to decorate my basket. But in case you'd like to use yours all year round I've also included some alternative text to decorate your basket.

Finished basket has 8" diameter base and is 5" deep. The fabric is by Peonie Cole Textiles and you can read all about Catherine, the designer and find where to purchase on page 44.

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Materials

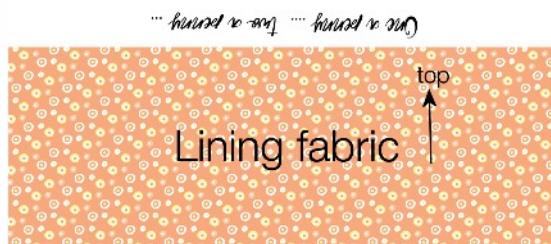
- ½ yard exterior fabric
- ½ yard interior fabric
- ½ yard fusible fleece
- 25" x 2 ½" white linen or cotton fabric for trim
- Stranded black embroidery floss

Note: You may want to have a slightly wider strip of linen for your embroidery if you're using a hoop to make it easier to stitch, and then trim to the correct width when you've completed the embroidery.



Method

- A seam allowance of ¼" is included in the measurements.
- Fold your strip of white linen in half widthways and press with your hand to mark the centre. Work the text centring it upon the mid-point. Use two strands of black floss and split stitch. When finished press lightly on the reverse and put to one side.
- From both exterior and interior fabric and fleece cut one 25" x 8" strip and one 8" circle.
- Iron the strip of fleece onto the reverse side of your exterior fabric. You always have to press down quite hard and wait longer than you think when you're adhering fleece so do be sure to check the manufacturer's instructions.
- With right sides facing join the two short ends of the exterior strip of fabric to make a circle and press the seam allowance open.
- Iron the circle of fleece onto the reverse side of the circle of exterior fabric. Join the exterior and base together. Clip the curved seam and press well.
- Join the strip of linen along the top of the strip of lining fabric with the top of the text facing downwards (see below).



- Join the two short sides of the lining fabric in the same way leaving a 3" gap for turning. Attach the base and clip the curved seam.
- Turn the exterior wrong side out and place the interior inside right side out - ie so the two right sides are facing each other and the fleece lining is on the outside.
- Align the seams and pin the inner and outer together along the top edge. Set your pins at right angles to the sewing line, so if your machine needle hits one then it will simply slide off and not break. Setting them at right angles to the stitching line also helps prevent the fabric slipping as you stitch.
- Sew around the top edge. Trim seam allowance close to stitching to minimise bulk and turn the right way out through the gap you left in the lining.
- Push the lining down inside the basket and press well.
- Turn over the top edge of the lining so the embroidered text is on the outside and press again.
- Fill with hot cross buns or rolls of your choice and serve!

Bread Roll Basket Templates are full size and also reversed to suit your preferred method of transfer

One a penny ...
...
One a penny ...

Two a penny ...
...
Two a penny ...

Seeded or wholemeal?
: Jam or jelly?
Seeded or wholemeal?

Settling or plain?
: Jam or jelly?
Settling or white?



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Why do we love to stitch? After all you can purchase mass-produced textile items at many high streets stores for very little cost. These days handmade means something special - a unique item created with love, a gift from the heart, not one that can be bought.

Hand stitching is also a great way to personalise an item, or perhaps to breathe new life into an old favourite that has seen better days.

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Helen xx



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