

FUSSY CUTTING BORDER STRIPS

There are many wonderful border prints available to use and the possibilities are endless. As you can see from the pictures, one fabric but two completely different borders. The left overs of these prints are also wonderful for Fussy Cutting.

I chose to cut these prints by hand as it is not always printed straight to get the exact look I want. It is best to play around with the different stripes to choose the one that best suits your needs. If the pattern calls for a specific size its important to stick with that as it may affect the measurements for coming borders in a medallion quilt.

If you are looking to get nice definition to the border then having a line to stitch to makes the job a lot easier. Sometimes it is necessary to sacrifice the next section of print in order to get your $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.



Method:

With the help of a long thin ruler line up the $\frac{1}{4}$ " line on where your stitching line will be. You can rotary cut this if you feel confident or using a mechanical pencil draw a cutting line to be cut by hand later. You should only work on sections about 8" to 12" long. Continue until you have the length and the number of strips required.