

2 skill level

free



fabric checkerboard game

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TOOLS & SUPPLIES:

- 36" square multi-purpose cloth
- Ribbon
- Acrylic paint: red, black, yellow
- Paintbrushes: 1" flat, 1/2" flat, detail
- Black Sharpie® paint marker
- Scissors
- Yardstick, ruler or T-square
- Pencil
- 2/3 yd of 1"-wide ribbon

- Fabri-Tac® glue
- 1/4 yd each duck cloth: red & black
- Poly beads for filling
- 48 buttons, 1/2"
- Embroidery floss
- Template plastic
- Pinking shears
- Basic sewing supplies
- Sewing machine

DIRECTIONS:

CHECKERBOARD

1. Draw grid of 4" squares, 8 across by 8 down on the fabric with a 2" border. Draw lines dark enough to show faintly through the red paint.
2. Paint 2 or 3 coats of red on the 32" square, using the 1/2" flat brush for the edges; fill in with the 1" brush. Allow to dry. Paint border yellow.
3. Paint the black squares, with the detail brush for the corners.
4. Using the T-square or ruler, draw a paint marker line around the edge of the checkerboard square & again 1/4" away. Trim excess cloth, 1/8" beyond the second paint marker line.
5. Fold ribbon in half. Glue on the back of one side of the checkerboard. When dry, roll up and tie with ribbon.

CHECKERS:

1. Cut a 3" circle from template plastic.
2. Cut twenty-four 4" squares of red duck cloth. Pin squares in pairs. Using circle pattern draw a circle in the center of each pair. Repeat with black
3. Sew around circle leaving a small opening for filling. Fill checker lightly with poly beads (about 2 tablespoons) and sew opening closed.
4. Pink edges 1/4" from stitching.
5. Use embroidery floss to tie buttons to the front and back of each checker.

Skill Level 2: Some experience necessary

Approximate Crafting Time: 1 1/2 hours

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