

# Merry Mice Wall Hanging & No-Sew Wall Plaques

Courtesy of Springs Industries

*Here's a wall hanging that tells a story!*

*The merrier the mice . . . the more festive the holiday decor!*

## Supplies for Merry Mice Wall Hanging:

- 2 Merry Mice Wallhanging panels from Springs Industries
- 1 yd Dot fabric for backing
- ½ yd. Quilter's Only Grass fabric
- 1 pkg. Steam-a-Seam®
- 1 yd. needlepunch fleece
- ¾ yd. batting
- 1 pkg. glitter pom-poms 7mm
- Craft glue
- Scissors
- Optional - appliqué scissors

## Directions:

1. To create a faux trapunto effect, baste batting to center of one panel. Stitch around letters and mice, ¼" away using long stitches as they will be removed after wall hanging is finished.
2. Trim batting away close to stitching, so that batting only remains behind letters and mice. We recommend using duckbill/appliqué scissors for the close trimming as they allow you to cut close to stitching without nicking the fabric.
3. Layer wall hanging with backing fabric WRONG side up, fleece in the middle and panel RIGHT side up. Smooth out all wrinkles and baste together. Topstitch between character outlines and previous stitching. Topstitch along green borders, breaking stitching as motifs cross lines.
4. Measure out 2" beyond last border. Trim. Finish edge with serger or zig-zag stitch. Fold back 1¼" on sides. Topstitch 1" from fold. Repeat at top and bottom.



5. Apply Steam-A Seam® to back of leaves on second panel, following manufacturer's instructions. Rough-cut around larger leaves with stems. Fuse to green lining. Carefully cut out leaves. Keep center of panel for a future project.
6. Arrange leaves over corresponding leaves on wall hanging. Stitch down leaf spine and stem.
7. Finger press leaves up along stitching line so they stand out.
8. Scatter pom-poms among leaves. Secure with glue.

### Supplies for No-Sew Wall Plaque

- 1 yard of 5-patch fabric
- ½ yd Allover Toss fabric
- ¼ yd Needlepunch fleece
- Steam-a-Seam®
- 1 package glitter pom-poms 7mm
- Four mice buttons
- Foamcore board

### Tools:

- Craft Glue
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Craft knife

### Cutting:

- Cut an 11" square, centered on 5-patch fabric.
- Cut out a second matching patch.
- Cut a 7½" fleece square.
- Cut one 8½" square from Foamcore board using craft knife.
- Cut one 11½" square from Foamcore board using craft knife.
- Cut a 14¼" square from Allover Toss fabric.

### Directions:

1. Apply Steam-a-Seam® to fabric squares, following manufacturer's instructions. You will have to piece together Steam-a-Seam® on larger fabric square.
2. Place fleece square in center of smaller Foamcore square. Position 11" fabric square on top. Be sure it is centered and squared. Press in place. Turn over. Wrap fabric to back of board (just like a gift package) and press. Press sides too.
3. Take second matching square and iron onto needlepunch fleece. Cut out center motif. Place over design on board. Build extra dimension by adding a few scraps of fleece under key areas of design (example: under rim of teacup, center of star). Glue in place.
4. Wrap second larger board with Allover Toss fabric. Center first board on second board. Glue together. Pop shanks off mice buttons. Glue to corners or where desired.

**Optional:** Cut back boards varying sizes for variety. Add ribbon as picture hangers to back of plaques.

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