

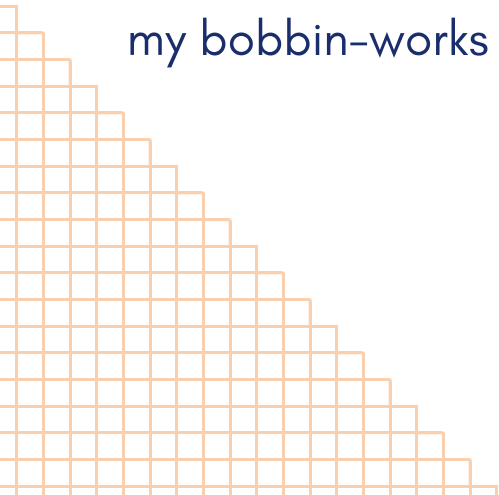
Round Jelly Roll Rug Quick Tips

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Materials needed

- pattern;
- 1 jelly roll consisting of 2.5" strips(44-46 strips);
- 2 rolls of fusible Duett II Batting;
- thermal fingers ;
- jumbo Green Wonder clips;
- sewing machine with a straight & zig zag stitch;
- jeans or topstitch needles-my favorite are Superior Titanium:
- thread for sewing and decoration;
- bobbin thread. I prefer Wonderfil Konfetti 50 wt. for the straight stitching and a variegated thread I like Fabulux/ Mirage for the zigzag- i always use 80 wt. Decobb in my bobbin-works with every weight thread.

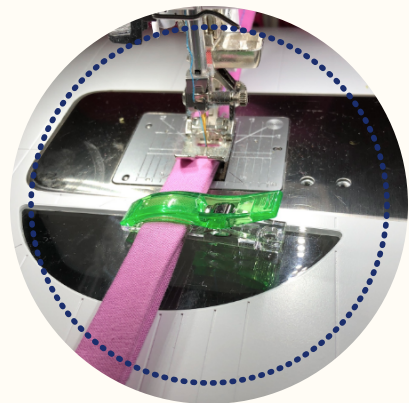
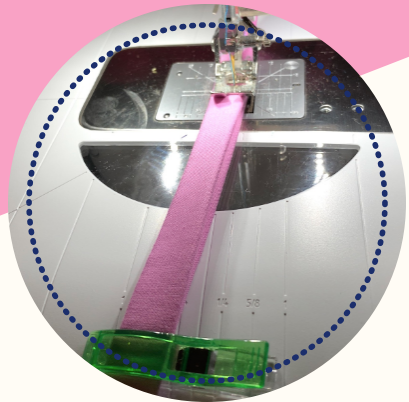


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Sewing Instructions



1) Choose your 2.5" strips WOF and sew all of the strips together first, using a bias binding technique ; trim off all excess (triangles) and press where each strip is added.

2) Prepare your ironing surface by placing either freezer paper, a goddess sheet or Fusamat on the surface-to protect your beautiful ironing board

3) Place your strip fabric face down on your covered/protected ironing surface; place your double sided fusible batting strip centered , on top. It is now the perfect time from you to put on 2 Thermal Fingers!

4) I use my thumb and first finger to shape the strip, bringing the two edges towards the middle-to create a 'French Fold binding'-and press. Complete this step with all the strips. You will notice that the fusible does stretch a bit, allowing for more strips to be added-and when you finish the first roll of fusible Batting-just overlap a 1/4" and add the next roll.

5) After al strips have been fused, fold in half and secure with a jumbo Clip

6) For the next step , you will need your sewing machine. I tape a jumbo clip to my sewing machine base, using painter's tape-so that I can feed my strips through it and onto the bed of the sewing machine.

7) Now sew a 1/4" seam on the edge of the strips, that is open-not on the folded edge. I use a solid color thread at this stage- usually a color that matches my strips- as it will show in your finished rug.

8) After you have sewn several feet take a moment and begin rolling this coil into a ball, place the ball on the table or floor nearby in a basket/can. Every so often, stop and roll some more onto the ball (like the rubber band balls of the 50's).

9) When your beautiful fabric ball is complete, stand back and admire it!

10) In the next step, you will transform this ball into your rug. Decide now if you will be making a round or oval rug.

11) Details for beginning your rug are in your pattern.

NOTE: Most Importantly! Sew your rug on a flat surface and always keep the bulk of your rug, to the left of your needle! This will keep it flat! If it has a slight wobble- you can press that out later. Remember to use a zigzag stitch to sew your rug edges together.

If you have missed an edge don't worry, you can go back and stitch it later.

When you have finished your rug, if you would like to embellish it with a flower/bloom in the center, here is how I do it. Locate the matching bloom you love and iron on fusible web of your choice, fussy cut the bloom and place on you rug, cover with parchment paper and heat set with your iron.

Voila! Your rug is complete-enjoy!