

Making Fabric Postcards in Groups of Six

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Materials:

Background fabric, 12 ½" x 12 ½"

Batting, 12 ½" x 12 ½" (or fusible fleece, thick interfacing/stabilizer, etc.)

Specialty fabric with a Florida or tropical theme. (Buy enough to get 6+ motifs.) Hint: simple motif shapes will be easier to cut than ones with lots of detailed edges.

OR fabrics that can be cut to create interesting designs

Fusible web for themed motifs

Card stock, 2 sheets

Glue stick

Coordinating threads

Background:

Layer together background fabric and batting.

Quilt the background in an easy, quick pattern. Maybe overlapping loops or undulating lines.

Trim the quilted sandwich to 12" x 12". Cut the sandwich apart into six postcards, each 4" x 6".

Design:

Add fusible to the back of your specialty fabric. Cut out six motifs. Consider leaving about 1/8" of the background color showing, to simplify the shape.

Fuse motifs or other designs to postcards. Additional stitching is not needed.

Card stock backing:

Cut each piece of card stock into three 4" x 6" shapes. (Cut 4" off the bottom to start the first one. Cut the remaining portion vertically to get the other two.)

Using a glue stick, glue the card stock onto the back of each postcard.

Using an old needle, stitch from the front all around the edge about 1/8". Trim. If thread hairs persist secure them with a swipe of glue stick. If the card stock seems larger than the fabric portion trim it with paper scissors.

Optional - sign your name at the bottom.