

Scrappy bird ornaments



Fabric Sheet

Bits Method

Materials Required

- Scraps of fabric - for the Cardinals use various reds, for other birds try christmas fabrics, or random colourings like a blue bird, robin, etc.
- ribbon
- Wonder Under or similar paper backed fusible web
- Thread and batting
- Backing fabric

Instructions

1. There are many methods of using fusible to make a "sheet" of fabric, the 2 I use are; 1- by putting the scraps randomly on a piece of wonder under or similar fusible product. Iron the scraps down. OR 2-have random fabrics fused and cut bits from those pieces.
2. If using a "sheet" of made fabric, cut the template out and then trace your birds onto the paper back of the newly made "fabric" and cut out. If using the cut bits method, cut the template and place under a fusing mat then arrange the bits over the template. Iron down and then use template to cut bird detail.
3. Using small pieces of other coloured fabric with wonder under and add things like beaks and eyes made out of black or yellow.



4. Place the cut out birds on a piece of batting. At the top make a loop of ribbon to hang the bird and tuck the edges under the bird. Remove the paper backing and iron the bird to the batting. Watch when ironing that your ribbon or batting don't melt. Use a protective sheet or piece of spare fabric over to protect the ribbon and batting.
5. Place your birds with batting onto a piece of backing fabric. Using a free motion foot "scribble" around the bird ornament to secure all 3 layers. Be sure to go around the edge, add feet, tail feathers, and make a teardrop type shape as on the template for a wing. Use a darker thread so it can be seen.
6. Trim the birds into individual pieces using either regular scissors or pinking shears leaving $\frac{1}{8}$ " of batting around the bird. Be sure not to cut the hanging ribbon!

Tips:

Using a teflon or non stick pressing sheet will ensure that if there are spaces in your scraps the fusible will not stick to your iron.