

## French Country Cafe Curtain Skill Level: Intermediate

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Use gingham ruffles to decorate this beautiful burlap cafe curtain. This easy to make curtain will bring a country flare to any room. Measure the width of the window where the curtain will be placed. Multiply this number times two for fabric requirements.

## **Fabrics Needed**

Gingham fabric for casing and ruffle Burlap Applique fabric

## **Materials Needed**

Legacy L-805 Fuse-Under™ Thread Ribbon

## **Tools Needed**

Sewing machine and related supplies Rotary cutter and related supplies

Four 10.2cm (4") x (window measurement x 2) + 5cm (2") 45.7cm (18") x (window measurement x 2) + 5cm (2") Two fat quarters

1.5m

1.3cm ( $\frac{1}{2}$ ") x (window measurement x 2)

Step 1. Turn short ends of burlap in  $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press. Turn in an additional  $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press. Stitch along edge to secure. Press entire length of burlap to flatten.



Step 2. Turn short ends of one of the 4" wide gingham strips in by  $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press. Turn in an additional  $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Press. Stitch along edge to secure. Place the strip right sides together with one side of the burlap strip. Stitch the long edge using a  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance. Press seam toward the gingham.



Step 3. Fold the long unstitched edge of the gingham in ¼". Fold casing wrong sides together and align the folded edge along the seam line previously stitched. Pin in place. Stitch along the folded edge.



Step 4. Connect the 4" strips of gingham for the ruffle using french seams. Use two or three strips depending on fullness desired.

NOTE: For french seams, place strips wrong sides together and stitch using a ¼" seam allowance. Press. Place strips right sides together and stitch seams again, enclosing the raw edges of the previous stitched seam. Press in one direction.

Step 5. Fold one long edge of the ruffle in  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Press. Fold over edge an additioinal  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Press. Stitch along the folded edge to secure.



Step 6. Fold two pleats into the ruffle from the right side. Stitch over the pleats using a ¼" seam allowance. Place the ribbon on top, aligning the edge of the ribbon with the ¼" line. Stitch the edge of the ribbon to the pleats made. Continue pleating and stitching the ribbon to the pleats across the length of the strip. Pleat the strip enough to fit the length of the burlap.



Step 7. Place the ruffle on the edge of the burlap, overlapping the burlap 3/8". Stitch the right side of the ribbon to the burlap.



Step 8. Place the curtain on the rod to determine placement of bird applique.



Step 9. Print out bird template found on the template page. Trace the desired number of birds onto the paper side of the Fuse-Under $^{TM}$ .



Step 10. Place the fusible side of the Fuse-Under™ on the wrong side of the bird fabric. Fuse following manufacturer's instructions. Cut out the birds, remove the paper backing and arrange them as desired on the burlap portion of the curtain. Fuse following manufacturer's instructions. Finish the edge of the applique with machine or hand stitching.



Love Bird Template
Set printer to 100%, actual size. Check gauge.

