Shipping Pears

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Finished size 15 1/2" x 56"

About this quilt. After viewing all the fabulous pear quilts everyone was piecing, I just had to try hand appliqueing one. I've included easy pieces to applique with a variety of leaves for you to play with. Feel free to machine applique if you prefer that method. Perfect project for Fig Tree & Co. fabric scraps.

My finished quilt reminded me of a box of pears that had been mailed to a friend. Hence the name.

INDREDIENTS

1 yard - Brown - Stems, binding, sashing, borders

- (5) 10" squares or 5/8 yard for background
- (5) 10" squares for Pears
- (8) 5" squares for leaves or use scraps
- (1) yard Backing (will need to be pieced to fit table runner)

Batting

All supplies needed to applique using your favorite method.

INSTRUCTIONS

From brown fabric:

Cut (5) 3 1/2" strips WOF. Attach these four strips end to end.

Cut (4) sashing strips 1 1/2" x 10" from above long strip.

Remaining long strip will be cut to match your exact length measurement of your table runner when completely assembled. **NOTE: after side strips have been attached.**

Cut (5) strips 2.5" x WOF for binding.

Background fabric for pears (5) 10" squares.

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Using your favorite method of applique, prepare the pattern pieces to be appliqued. Use placement guide on the patterns attached or assemble them as you like. Place all pattern pieces on the background fabric and then center on the 10" square. There are a choice of four leaves. All may be reversed as desired. **ASSEMBLING** When all 5 pear blocks are complete, add 1 1/2" sashing between each block. Add 3 1/2" x 10" borders to each side. Measure your exact top and bottom before cutting top and bottom border. Add borders to top and bottom. Quilt as desired. I'm hoping that you were inspired to give hand or machine applique another try in the near future. Enjoy, Mary Andra



