Acorn Garland & Coasters

Such a fun way to welcome autumn in your shop or home...whether with a seasonal garland, or a set of adorable coasters. All you need is a CINNAMON & CREAM mini charm & some coordinating Bella Solids to get started!



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• Separate your MINI CHARMS into (5) color groupings of (8) squares each: caramel, orange, green, coral & cream. Use the tan squares as needed to fill in each grouping.













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- Join each group into (3) rows as shown, then together. Press open.
- Add a 2³/₄" x 7" acorn top from a Bella Solid. I used MINK, PISTACHIO and HAY for the acorns shown. This is the front of the acorn.
- Cut (1) $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x $7\frac{1}{2}$ " piece from your chosen solid for the backing side, as well as from a piece of Pellon or other fusible fleece to quilt the acorn front [you can also use batting scraps & affix with glue].
- Affix the fusible fleece to the back of the acorn top.
- Quilt the acorn. I added a simple crosshatch to the patchwork and just a single stitch line for the solid top.
- Trace the shape provided to freezer paper. Press it to the **fleece** side of the quilted acorn patchwork & line it up, centering on the patchwork [make sure you are lining up the acorn top line with the fabric line on the template]. Trace shape onto the guilted panel.
- Place the backing square & the quilted patchwork front together, right sides together. Pin the sandwich to prevent shifting during sewing.
- Tuck a loop of ribbon or twine right in between the two layers of fabric, right on the top of the acorn, positioning it out of the way of the sewing.
- Sew all the way around the shape, on the traced line, leaving a 2" opening on the right side of the acorn, backstitching at the beginning & end.
- Cut the shape out with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance, and clip curved seam allowance to remove bulk. Turn it out through the opening. Push all the edges out well, and press well.











- Stitch the opening closed or simply topstitch all the way around the entire outside of the acorn to create a finished look. I also stitched across the bottom of the acorn top as well to finish it off with an added detail.
- String the acorns on twine or ribbon and tie a knot with an extra piece of twine or even staple them to the ribbon [you won't see the staples if the garland is hanging up].



The only difference for coasters is omit the twine loop during construction and add another layer of fleece or batting to make the coaster more absorbent.



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MATERIALS LIST

1 CINNAMON & CREAM Mini Charm Pack (20450MC)

At least (3) Fat Eighths (9"x22") of coordinating Bella Solids

Recommended Bellas: 9900 39 Parchment, 78 Peach, 104 Hay*, 134 Pistachio*, 147 Coral, or 430 Mink*

1/4 yard Fusible Fleece [Pellon 987F, or batting scraps]

Ribbon or twine for loops

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*Bellas shown in this pattern image



Each acorn measures approx. 51/2" x 7".

One CINNAMON & CREAM MINI CHARM will make all (5) of these acorns, but you can of course keep going to make a larger garland. Perfect for scraps of any kind these acorns could become a fall favorite crafty project! I will admit that they are a bit addictive.

