Caffeine Café













Featuring fabrics from the **Caffeine Café** collection by Diane Knott

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Materials

Yardages based on 42" wide fabric

1 Panel

1 yd Brown Cups

1 yd Lining fabric - recommend Blue Coffee Beans

1/2 yd Dark Yellow Seeds

5/8 yd Blue Seeds

1/4 yd Potholder fabrics as desired or use remainder of Apron fabrics

Cut the Fabrics

WOF = Width of Fabric LOF = Length of Fabric

From the panel, cut:

For the apron pockets, fussy cut images of the Caffeine Café with rooster (round), Good Morning with brown coffee pot and cup (rectangle), and the Gourmet Coffee with white coffee pot and three cups (rectangle) from the panel, adding 1/4" seam allowance outside the outer frames around all sides. (Use the other images as illustrated for the potholders.)

From the Brown Cups cut:

See instructions to cut the body of the apron

From the lining cut:

See instructions to cut the lining after the apron front is sewn.

From the Yellow Seeds cut:

5–1-1/2" x WOF strips (Checkerboard and trim for pockets)

From the Blue Seeds cut:

3 – 3 1/2" x WOF strips (apron ties) 3–1-1/2" x WOF strips (Checkerboard)

Directions

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Apron Directions:

Prepare the Pockets: Use a 1/4" seam allowance throughout, unless otherwise specified.

- From a 1-1/2" x WOF Yellow Seeds strip, cut two trim pieces the same length as the height of the Good Morning pocket rectangle as cut from the panel. Sew these pieces, right side of trim to wrong side of pocket, to the left and right side edges of the pocket. Press the seams out toward the trim
- Measure and cut two strips the same length as the width of the pocket (including trim). Sew these
 strips, right side of trim to wrong side of pocket, to the top and bottom edges of the pocket. Press
 the seams out toward the trim.
- 3. On the left and right side edges of the pocket, turn the trim over 3/8" and press. Do the same for the top and bottom edges. Turn over 1/2" more on the left and right side edges, pressing over to cover the seam on the front of the pocket. Top stitch the trim close to the fold, sewing from seam line to seam line (not all the way to the edges).
- 4. Turn the trim over 1/2" (as above) on the top and bottom edges of the pocket. Press. Top stitch the trim close to the fold, tucking in any raw edges on the ends.
- 5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 with the Gourmet Coffee rectangle for the second pocket.

Cut the Apron Front:

- 1. For the body of the apron, cut a $30'' \times 30''$ square from the Brown Cups fabric.
- 2. Fold the apron fabric in half lengthwise right sides together to measure $15'' \times 30''$. Lay the folded fabric out on a flat surface.
- 3. From the upper folded corner (top center of apron), measure 4-3/4" out toward the corner and mark. From the other upper corner measure down 7-1/2" and mark (Fig. 1).
- 4. Draw a gentle curve from the top mark to the side mark (Fig. 1). Carefully cut through both layers on the drawn line.
- 5. Cut an inner lining piece 3-1/2" x 9-1/2" from the leftover apron fabric. Set aside for now.

Apply the Pockets:

- Appliqué the Caffeine Café with rooster circle to the upper portion of the apron front approx.
 1-1/2" down from the top edge and centered. Turn under ¼" and stitch by hand or machine to finish the edge.
- Arrange the pockets on the front of the apron, positioning them by using
 the colored image of the apron as a guide for placement (or as desired).
 Top stitch the pockets to the apron front, stitching close to the outside
 pressed edges of the trim, stitching along the sides and bottom. Stitch again
 close to the seam.

Make the Checkerboard Units:

- 1. Sew two 1-1/2" strips of Yellow Seeds and one strip of Blue Seeds together along the long edges, (Fig. 2) pressing the seams toward the Blue Seeds strip in the center. Cross cut into 20 sections at 1 ½" wide.
- Sew another strip set alternating two 1-1/2" strips of Blue Seeds with one
 of Yellow Seeds, pressing toward the Blue Seeds strips. Cross cut into 18 sections at 1-1/2" wide.
 (Fig. 3)
- 3. Make the checkerboard units by alternating the sections. Stitch a set of nine together for the top of the apron (see apron). Sew another set of twenty-nine sections for the bottom.
- 4. Sew the longer checkerboard unit to the bottom of the apron front with 1/4" seam.

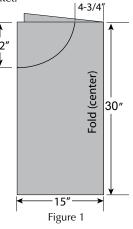


Figure 2

Figure 3

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Apply the Checkerboard Unit to the top of the apron:

- 1. With right sides together, pin the inner lining 3-1/2" x 9-1/2" rectangle to the top edge of the remaining checkerboard unit. Stitch a scant 1/4" along the top edge.
- 2. To under stitch, press the inner lining away from the checkerboard. (Fig. 4) Press seam toward the inner lining. With the inner lining up, stitch close to the seam through the inner lining and all seam allowances. Backstitch at both start and finish.
- 3. Turn the inner lining to the INSIDE. Press. Baste raw edges together at the bottom edge.
- 4. With right sides together, stitch the checkerboard to the top front of the apron. Press.



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Prepare the apron lining:

- 1. Pin the apron front right-sides-together onto the lining fabric. **Important: add an extra** ¼" **along the top edge of the lining for finishing that edge.** Very carefully cut around the apron front, using it as a pattern (or draw around the apron front with a pencil, unpin and then cut the lining).
- 2. Prepare the top edge of the lining by finishing the edge (by serging or use another type of finishing stitch). Fold over 1/4", press and topstitch.

Assemble the Apron:

- 1. Pin apron and lining right sides together at the arm curves. Stitch each arm curve. Reinforce the seam by stitching very close to the first stitching line. Clip the curve in several places so the seam allowance does not pull when turned right side out.
- 2. You will need to finish the edge of the side opening of the tie casing. Open up the apron and lining, and serge or use another type of finishing stitch to 1-1/2" of the edge on both sides of the side seam 3" total (fig.5). Fold under 1/4", press and topstitch 1" on both sides of the seam (2" total)(fig.6). Press.



Figure 5

Figure 6

- 3. With right sides together, pin the bottom edge and sides of apron and lining. Stitch, starting and ending 1-1/2" from each arm seam. Clip the bottom corners.
- 4. Turn the apron right side out through the top opening. Edge stitch the top of the apron, starting and stopping 1" from the arm edge seams. Edge stitch the arm curves. Edge stitch the bottom sides and bottom edge of the apron starting and stopping 1" from the arm edge seams.
- 5. Top stitch the arm curve 1" in from the edge to create the casing for the tie. (fig.7)
- 6. To make the tie, sew the three 3-1/2" x WOF Blue Seeds strips together end to end. Press the seams open. Fold this strip in half lengthwise wrong sides together. Press well. Open and fold in each long edge to the center (fold line) and press. Fold these back together along the first lengthwise fold and press. Tuck under the raw edges at each end and press. Top stitch the long folded edge and ends through all thicknesses to finish the tie.
- 7. Carefully thread one end of the tie down from the top of the apron through the casing and out the side edge. Keep the tie flat as you thread it through. Repeat for the other side. Adjust the neck portion to fit comfortably. Optional: stitch across the tie and casing close to the lower end on one side so the tie won't slip out.



Figure 7

Potholders: To make one 7-1/2" (approx) potholder:

- 1. Cut one 6" square from the panel, centering on an image. (Alternately, cut a square from checkerboard pieces or other fabric for the center of the potholder.)
- 2. Cut a 1-1/2" strip of accent fabric for the border. Cut two pieces to 1-1/2" x 6" and sew to the left and right side edges of the square from Step 1. Press the seams out toward the border strips.
- 3. Trim two more pieces to the width of the square with trim from Step 3. Sew to the top and bottom of the rectangle. Press as before.
- 4. Cut a square of fabric the same size as the framed square from Step 4. Also cut two squares of batting (or more or less as desired) for the filling of the potholder.
- 5. Place the framed square right sides together with the backing fabric square. Then place the squares of filling on the bottom of the squares. Sew around the edge with 1/4" seam, leaving approximately 3" open along one edge for turning.
- 6. Trim corners and extra batting in the seam allowances. Turn right side out. Press under the seam allowance on the opening and slip stitch by hand to close the opening.
- 7. Stitch in the ditch of the trim seam to secure the layers. Quilt the center if desired.