



## DIY Holiday Advent Garland

### Supply List:

10 yards of 3/4" or 1" of grosgrain or satin ribbon cut into 50 - 6" lengths. I used off white but you can use any color, a burgandy or chartreuse would be beautiful.

1 1/2 yards of white or off-white cotton fabric, linen or inexpensive cotton utility liner. You can even use an old sheet.

Scissors

Optional: X-acto knife or rotary cutter

Hot glue gun and 25 pack hot glue sticks

Computer and printer. An ink jet printer works the best as the ink soaks into the fabric.

Freezer paper. Do not confuse this with parchment or wax paper. Freezer paper has a plastic coating on one side.

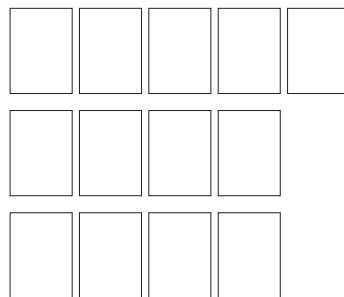
Clothes Iron or heat press

## Steps:

Set your fabric up on a large table that you feel comfortable ironing on that won't damage the table. I like to do this on my laminate floor.

### Step 1:

Using a piece of 8 1/2" x 11" printer/copy paper as a template, trace paper on to freezer paper and cut 13 pieces of freezer paper to 8 1/2 x 11 inch pieces. I use a metal ruler and an X-acto knife for this. Protect your surface with scrap cardboard, a cutting board or cutting mat.



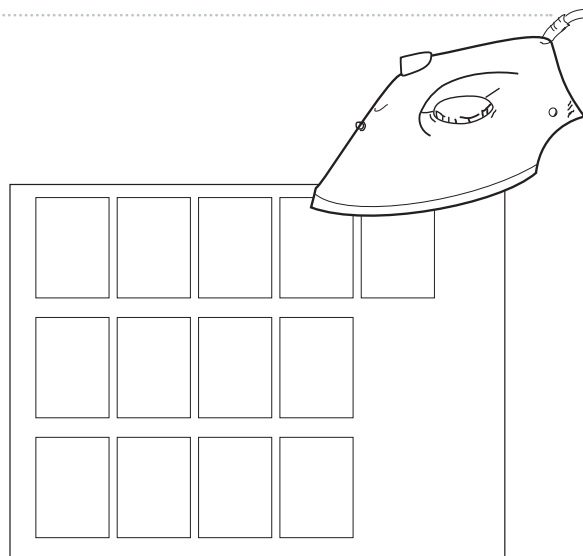
### Step 2:

Now, taking your 1 1/2 yard of fabric, lay it out flat on your table.

Place freezer paper onto fabric and fuse together with clothes iron set to highest setting.

*I like to work in groups of 3-4 sheets of paper. I place the papers down onto the fabric, iron them together and then I use scissors and cut the fabric to the same size as the freezer paper fused to it. This ensures that the fabric and freezer paper are the same size.*

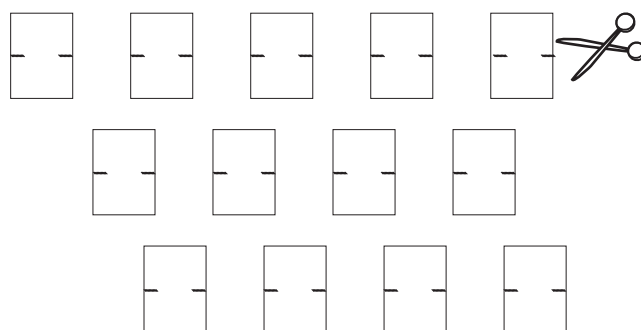
*\*\*\* Very important: place freezer paper onto the fabric with the PLASTIC side touching the fabric. If there is a "side" to your fabric, make sure the freezer paper is on the back side.*



Step 3: Print the attached graphics onto the freezer/cotton using your printer. **Do not use shrink to fit or fit to page, just print it.** Once printed, cut in half using hash marks as guides.

You can use scissors or rotary tool for this. Remove freezer paper.

Fold fabric in half so that the graphic is on one side and then cut in half again. When you are done cutting you will have 50 squares total. Try to keep them together as each graphic half matches the blank half.



## Steps: Continued

*When you are done cutting you should have 50 squares total. 25 printed graphic squares and 25 blank squares.*

### Step 5:

Place one graphic print with one plain wrong sides together, right sides facing out. Glue bottom of squares together. The edges are exposed so they naturally fray. The glue will keep them from completely fraying away. Repeat to other 23 graphic and blank squares.



*Glue only these ends together.*

### Step 6:

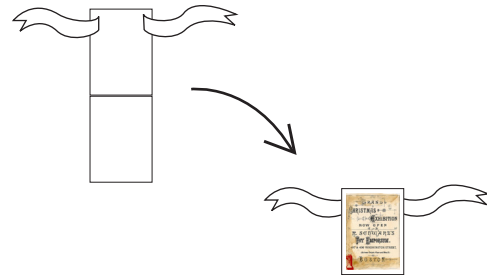
You will now complete the pocket.

Take two pieces of ribbon. Place a ribbon in each upper corner about 1/2" in from the side and glue to wrong side of the plain fabric.

Once the glue has dried, glue both sides of graphic fabric and plain fabric together. Only three sides should be glued together. The top will remain open. This creates a pocket to store treats in.

Repeat to other 24 squares. When complete you will have 25 pockets with ribbons attached. Fray fabric as desired and fill with surprises. Tie ends together using a simple knot or square knot and create one long garland.

*Glue ribbon to each side so that when you fold and glue the two squares together they will hide the ribbons inner ends.*



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