

To crate an eye-catching country decoration try making a quilted tree of calico prints cut into triangles and stuffed with Polyfil. Triangles are sewn together in combinations of three, 16, 36, etc., to form a quilted tree as big as you

To begin cut a cardboard template from a triangle pattern given here. This pattern includes a 1/4inch seam allowance around the entire triangle. If you wish to enlarge or reduce the size of your tree's quilted elements simply make your adjustments on a grid being sure to allow for the 1/4 inch for seams.

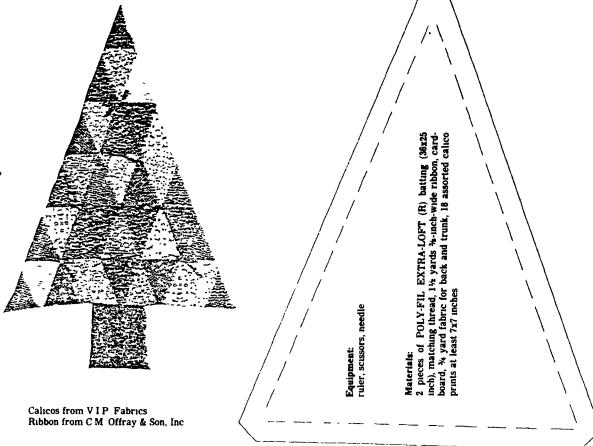
Cut 36 triangles using the template. Arrange all the triangles into a pleasing color scheme using rows of 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 triangles. Sew (leaving a 1/2-inch seam allowance) the bias edge of one triangle (base side down) to the bais edge of the next triangle (base down) until you have the bottom row of 11 triangles completed.

Repeat this procedure until you have completed a row of 9, 7, 5, 3 and 1 triangles. Iron each strip, pressing all seams to one side. Next, join the short side of the 11piece strip to the long side of the 9piece strip, and so on until the front side of your tree is complete except

Cut a 7 1/2-by-7 1/2-inch piece of brown fabric and attach it to the center of the 11-piece strip. Press. Using the completed front as a pattern, cut another single piece of fabric for the back, and two thicknesses of batting for the inside. With the front and back sides together (right sides together) place both layers of batting onto the wrong side of the back. Baste through all four layers leaving a 12-inch opening along one side for turning right side out. Stitch as basted. Turn right side out and slip stitch opening closed.

At intervals, tack through all layers and add ribbon bows, bits of tinsel, buttons or miniature Christmas balls. This is a very successful fund-raiser project and easily can be completed as a 'mass production'' bazaar item.

Materials for a quilted tree are: 2 pieces of Poly-fil batting measuring 36 by 25, thread 1 1/2 yards of 3/8-inch-wide ribbon, cardboard, 3/4 yard of fabric for back and truck, 18 assorted calico prints, or 13 each of any given three fabrics, measuring 7 by 7.



COUNTRY CHRISTMAS - Template for a quilted Christmas tree Be sure to allow a 44-inch piece of fabric all the way around for seam allowance

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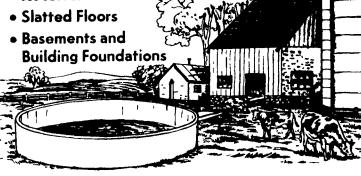
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