

## CHECKERED TREE SKIRT

### SUPPLIES

- 6 different pieces of Christmas fabric, (see chart below for exact amounts).
- 9 degree circle wedge ruler by Marilyn Doheny or make a cardboard template.
- Backing: 1.2m
- Batting: 42 X 42 inches square. I pieced scraps together.

Strata	X3
1. Xmas fabric	4 inches = 12 inches
2. Xmas fabric	3.25 in. = 9.75 in.
3. Xmas fabric	2.75 in. = 8.25 in.
4. Xmas fabric	2.75 in. = 8.25 in.
5. Xmas fabric	3.25 in. = 9.75 in.
6. Xmas fabric	4 in. = 12 in.

These are all width of fabric.

### DIRECTIONS

- Using  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch seams, sew strata together into strip sets, in order of supply list. You need to make 3 strip sets, but you only use about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  sets.
- Iron seams to one side so that they will nest together later. Iron all seams in the same direction.
- Cut using wedge ruler. Flip ruler back and forth to cut wedges.
- I get 17 wedges per strip set.
- You need 40 wedges or about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  strip sets of strata.
- Nest seams together.
- Sew together 40 wedges, to form a 360 degree circle.
- Sew a stabilizing row of stitches around the entire tree skirt.

## FINISHING

- Place backing and tree skirt right sides together. Place batting on top.  
I use a little spray baste to hold the batting in place.
- Stitch all around, leaving about a 5 inch opening for turning.
- Turn right side out and press.
- Sew opening.
- I top stitch ½ inch all the way around.
- Do as little or as much quilting as desired. Instead, you could tie the quilt if desired
- Place a ribbon, snap or Velcro to the neck to hold closed.
- Bring to Show & Tell to show!